



# THE WAY



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**This week I had the pleasure of reading to our youngest students in Prep.** It was a wonderful way to spend an hour and I am not sure who enjoyed it more - me or the students. The stories had rhyme, adventure, ingenuity and a sense of fun. It was an exploration in building connections through stories that can improve language skills, social interactions and also foster a love of books. With Christmas fast approaching I want to encourage everyone to think about giving a book as a gift and committing to reading. The impact can be profound.



I have also enjoyed the recent music Ensemble Evenings and Dance Concert. Watching our students best work on display has been excellent. They have learnt so much this year and dedicated time and energy to pursuing areas of skill. The Sports Assembly recognised our athletes and their achievements over the course of the year. We have many talented students but it is only through hard work and training that they can truly reach their potential.

The end of the academic year is a great time to reflect. Whilst we celebrate successes it is also a good opportunity to recognise that we have also overcome challenges and grown personally and become more resilient. It is great to celebrate the tangible markers of success like assessment results, and winning a competition but there is deeper significance in the milestones of each year.

Seeing the Prep students engage thoroughly with a love of reading and observing so many of them recognise their letters and the building blocks of language was fantastic. When I walk through the playground and watch students interacting and finding joy in each other's company I think about what they are learning.

True achievement lies in the progress they each make, in the breakthroughs in understanding and

in the way they can serve others.

For many students the greatest achievement may not be getting an A, but the courage it took to ask for help when they struggled or the way they learnt to congratulate someone else.

As we finish our year please take the time to celebrate with your child what they have achieved. The effort, the growth, and the connections they have made are integral to their overall success.

*"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you" Matthew 6:33*

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