



THE WAY



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We have continued to recognise our past, present and future in the last 2 weeks.

Yesterday we officially opened our new STEM building as part of our celebrations for our 25th anniversary.

Many of you may not be aware that Hoxton Park was once home to an airport, which explains why so many of the surrounding streets are named after airlines and aviation-related themes.

We have continued to respect the past and aviation theme in naming our new STEM building the John Flynn Centre, in honour of Reverend John Flynn, the founder of the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

The naming of our building also reflects today. It is located on Flynn Avenue, which was also named after John Flynn. This building has been designed to foster excellence in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics—subjects that were needed to develop the Flying Doctor vision. Subjects that will help shape the future for our students. As we celebrate 25 years of learning, growth, and faith, we look ahead with anticipation, knowing that the foundations we lay today will support the aspirations and achievements of generations to come.

Year 7 parents had an opportunity to see the inside of the building and enjoy the new spaces last night at our Meet the Teacher evening. This was another wonderful event where parents could experience College life by walking alongside their children and visiting their classrooms and learning spaces. If you are interested in going on a tour or attending an information session with me later this month please let us know through the new The Way We Connect form found later in this newsletter.

The Junior School has enjoyed a very settled few weeks. I always appreciate seeing the students in the playground and hearing about their activities. They are keen readers and love to share the stories they are reading, and it is great to know how much they are learning. I cannot encourage families enough to invest in regular reading with your children. It truly impacts their future education.

Finally, I want to bring to your attention an event we are hosting later this month. Dr Justin Coulson will be speaking to both staff and parents. He holds a PhD in Psychology and is one of Australia's most trusted parenting experts. He will be speaking to our community on Thursday 27 March on the topic of resilience and how we can support our children in developing this crucial skill. Whilst the event is free for families, you will need to book to secure seats.

With thanks to the feedback provided through The Way We Connect section, we are also hosting a College Insights session on Thursday 27 March at 5pm in the new STEM Building. I look forward to the opportunity to speak with you about academic results and student learning. More details can be found in this edition of The Way.

Philippians 4:13: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Mrs Karen Easton
Principal

