Our Governing Council consists of parents/grandparents (and a few staff members) who are prepared to give up their time in order to work together for the benefit of our students. We are always most appreciative of the effort that these people put into representing our school community.

The following people are the members of our 2017 Governing Council. Please feel free to contact them about issues, concerns and questions that you may have. Not all issues and concerns are appropriate for Governing Council discussion but these can always be redirected to the appropriate person.

**Danielle Carr (Chairperson)**  
**Sarah Pinno**

**Caroline Duke (Secretary)**  
**Scott McPharlin (Treasurer)**

**Vikki Yarnold**  
**Helen Harrison**

**Eric Oliveira**  
**Tracey Kneebone**

**Shannon Payne**

Governing Council meets at 6.30pm on the Wednesdays of Week 4 and Week 8 each term. The meetings are held in the Staff Room and if you would like to join us then you are most welcome. You may like to come along to a meeting as an observer, or you may like to actually join the Governing Council. It’s a great way to find out about how our school works and all of the ‘behind the scenes’ processes and procedures.

We are looking forward to a productive year, working together to provide resources, information and support to all of you, our school community.

Jo Rowell  
Principal
ASSEMBLY ANNOUNCEMENT

At last week’s Assembly it was announced students will now represent the ‘Team Houses’ used for Beach Carnival throughout the school year. Students will have ‘points’ awarded for extra activities that will count towards a total at the end of the school year. Team Captains and Vice Captains were also announced.

Students are able to earn points for their team by participating in activities such as the Premier’s Reading Challenge, school community duties, Australian Maths Competition, sporting competitions, SAPSASA representation, the annual fundraising Fun Run, Porties Got Talent, presentation of an Assembly Award and much more. Students were very excited to learn that staff members have been allocating points all year and the current tally was announced at assembly.

As of Wednesday 17th May the totals are as follows:

- **Dolphins** – 164
- **Sharks** – 161
- **Stingrays** – 149
- **Swordfish** – 115

Team Captains and Vice Captains

The Choir also performed at Assembly and did a wonderful job of ‘Live Louder’ with soloists Sarah Honter and Grace McPharlin leading the group.

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

At this week’s school assembly the following students received an award acknowledging their hard work, perseverance and use of positive strategies in developing a Growth Mindset for their learning and community participation:

- Shaun Gabell, Issy Exell (Miss Field)
- Jax Baddeley, Alfie Hatcher (Mrs Ross)
- Ruby, Milika Scales (Mr Letcher)
- Dylan Escritt, Olivia Marsden (Mrs Ehlers)
- Adam Ephgrave, Ariel Murdoch (Mrs Haddad/Mrs Baumann)
- Sophie Young, Noah Patsch (Mrs Harley)
- Milani Bigg, Nathan Flesfadar (Miss Neumeister/Mrs Smith)
- Taylor McEwen, CJ Myatt (Miss Jast)
- Hunter Williams, Jai Rushby (Mrs McMilan)
- Kobi Horseling-Chamings, Ryheese Gabell (Miss Thompson)
- George Blackford, Lexi Fowler (Mrs Sander/Mrs Fullerton)
- Brayden O’Connor, Kayla Vogt (Mrs Gotley/Mrs Smith)
- Abigail Poole, Harvey Wardle (Mr Rowell)
- Astra Roberts, Gui Oliveira, Jake Amos (Mr Horsfall)
- Ellie Chomel, Hasanpreet Kaur (Miss Aucoin)
- Keeley Zivkov, Seth Koek (Mr Wakefield)
- Charlie Spencer, Stella Stevens (Ms Eldridge)
- Charlie Spencer, Lealani Fox, Jasmine Croydon, Josh James, Keeley Zivkov, Natalie Kosmadopoulos (Vivonne)

Congratulations to all of these students!

Each student who receives an award earns a point for their school team. Points awarded this round were:

- **Stingrays**: 8
- **Sharks**: 6
- **Dolphins**: 16
- **Swordfish**: 11

ATTENDANCE

The charts above show our attendance information so far this year. We were delighted with last week’s attendance rate!

Regular attendance at school is essential for students to progress with their learning. While we all know that students who are unwell are best off at home, it is very important that they attend school whenever it is possible for them to do so.

Please also remember to let us know if your child is going to be away. This can be done by phoning the school, through the Skoolbag app, in person, or through Dojo (for some classes). All absences need to be accounted for and so from time to time you will receive a letter requesting this information from you if we have not previously been notified. Our apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.
in advance if we send you a letter and you have previously let us know about an absence. Please just remind us of the reason and we will fix this straight away.

YOUNG LEADERS INITIATIVES
This Friday 26th May a car participating in a rally supporting the Cancer Council will be visiting our school to raise awareness and funds. The car will be driven by one of our school community parents and is from team ‘Fear and Loathing’. To assist in their fundraising students are invited to wear casual clothes and make a gold coin donation. The car will be leaving the Adelaide Torrens Parade Ground on Saturday May 27th and arriving in Cairns on 2nd June at the Cairns Showground. This is not a race but a challenge to drive a car valued at just $1000 with no AWD or 4WD capability across Australia to raise money for Cancer Research. This rally has raised over $10,000,000 in the last seven years. The rally is supported and endorsed by the Cancer Council.

To further support this initiative the Young Leaders together with Deonne in the Canteen have been busy making the Cancer Council Cookie ready for recess on Friday. Over 170 orders were received, with the proceeds going to the Cancer Council.

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The books are sold exclusively by community organisations, social clubs, charities, and schools, and by purchasing a book you’ll be helping towards our fund-raising efforts. If you wish to order the 2017/2018 book then please return the enclosed order form with payment or see Julie Bramley (Finance Officer). Spare order forms are available from the front office. To order the digital copy (this is an app for your personal device) please go to http://www.entbook.com/1610m16 Contact Julie Bramley on 83822455 for more information.

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HOST FAMILIES WANTED
Wirreanda Secondary School is hosting a group of 20 Japanese students from Tokyo for 11 days in August. We are looking for local families to host a male or female student aged 14 years old. You do not have to have a student studying at Wirreanda to host and you will be financial reimbursed for your support.

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