



WILLETTON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL BOARD

2022 BOARD CHAIR ANNUAL REPORT presented to the 2023 APM

2022 has been another fruitful year for WSHS. The school is servicing over 2500 students and outcomes are excellent on a range of measures. Enrolment is keenly sought in WA and internationally.

The success of the school is, in the first instance, the result of the commitment of the students. Congratulations to all the students striving for their personally defined success across academic, sporting, artistic and community engagement fields. The strength of the school is heavily dependent on the contributions of the staff who facilitate student success, and the Board thanks the staff for their professionalism and commitment. Thanks also to the parents of students for nurturing and supporting the students through challenging years. The Board also thanks the many volunteers involved in the school who are the final component of the WSHS community. Working together these groups have made 2022 another in a long line of successes for the school.

The Board has been pleased to be involved in the following projects in 2022

- programs to foster student resilience and social and emotional development
- fundraisers
- research on the Gifted and Talented program
- purchase of student art
- staff appreciation morning tea
- advocacy to external parties such as the Minister for Education on behalf of students and the school
- scholarships
- the sporting wall of fame
- the Green Space project
- the Student Relief Fund

The Board continues to encourage members of the school community to bring issues of interest to the Board's attention. During 2022, we were pleased to receive presentations from many staff and students highlighting issues of importance to them.

COVID was a continuing challenge this year but the school displayed flexibility and adaptability to ensure goals were met regardless of the circumstances.

From a personal perspective, in 2022 the greatest privilege was observing the school community come together to help those members who were going through difficult times. I was inspired to see the compassion and action brought to bear when painful life events afflicted individuals and families.

Finally, the Board offers special congratulations to the graduating class of 2022. During your time at the school many of you have grown from children to young adults. These are critically formative years which will impact across your life. The Board looks forward to seeing the contributions you will make to the broader society.

David Harwood Board Chair