

Impact of Giving 2023



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We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this land on which our campuses lie and their continuing connection to land, sea and community. We respect their Elders past and present and recognise the injustices endured by the First Nations peoples of this country.

Photo: Centenary Sculpture at Junior School Donvale



Your spirit of generosity

The Carey spirit of generosity has shone brightly throughout our centenary, with another impressive display of our ongoing commitment to improving the lives of our students.

We had some of our highest ever numbers giving to the Access and Equity Scholarship which provides students experiencing adversity or disadvantage a life-changing Carey education. I am grateful that so many families have contributed to this important program and I look forward to welcoming these students to our community in the years ahead.

I would also like to extend my thanks to our parent and alumni associations, community groups and volunteers whose work contributes considerably

to building Carey's unique community culture. The Junior School Kew Parents Association was again integral in raising funds for classroom libraries with the goal to strengthen literacy and reading outcomes. The Carey Donvale Parents Association and Old Carey Grammarians Association were instrumental in supporting our magnificent new centenary sculptures at our Kew and Donvale campuses, creating an enduring public art legacy for future generations of Carey students to enjoy.

As our centenary draws to a close, I would like to extend my appreciation to all the centenary partners that joined in our celebrations. Your support contributed immeasurably to the success of our major events.

Together, we have achieved so much in 2023, and with your ongoing support, we can continue to deliver the educational resources, programs and learning environments that create transformative learning experiences and meaningful change.

Thank you again and wishing you all the best for the festive season.

Jonathan Walter
Principal

Thank you for your support throughout our centenary



The goal of our giving program is to make it as accessible and as meaningful to the Carey community as possible, and I am delighted to see this translate to significant growth in donor numbers this year. We saw some of our highest ever numbers of donors giving to scholarships, and giving to our Junior School Kew classroom libraries more than tripled this year – some truly fantastic results.

As we celebrated our centenary this year, it was great to see the Carey community embracing every opportunity to connect across our major events and through smaller initiatives. It gave me great joy to witness our strong and vibrant community in action and we were delighted to have many opportunities to recognise the generosity of our long-term and major donors through dedicated stewardship events.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Carey community in some way throughout this year. I would also like to recognise my fellow Advancement Committee members, which includes parents, alumni and staff, for their support for the School and our continuing philanthropic endeavours.

Emma Warren
Advancement
Committee Chair



2023 Giving at a glance



Highest number of donors since 2000



53% increase in number of donors compared to last year



Eight financial hardship scholarships fully funded



John West (1955)



Warren Blair (1976)



Felicity Shalless (2013)



Kym Tenzin (2018)



Carey's untold story

There's an untold story that's timely to share in Carey's centenary. It is a story of past students, all with unique backgrounds but united with one common element: all were scholarship recipients. Not because of their academic or sporting prowess, but because the community wanted to give back and provide the same opportunities they or their own children benefitted from, to other students experiencing hardship and disadvantage.

This story goes right back to the foundation of Carey in 1923 with the donation of the Spicer Scholarship, closely followed by the Doery Scholarship for students in financial difficulty during the Great Depression and Patron's Association Scholarship established by Revd Leonard Tranter.

In the centenary issue of *Torch* this year, we shared stories of four of these students – John West (1955), Warren Blair (1976), Felicity Shalless (2013) and Kym Tenzin (2018). Below is a brief story from Warren, a proud Wuli-Wuli/Lardil man, the second of Carey's Aboriginal scholarship recipients and the son of Harold Blair AM, legendary opera singer and Aboriginal activist:

'It was a great honour for my parents to be able to send their son to Carey, especially for my dad who was born in a mission in outback Queensland. It was one of his great wishes for me to attend the School.

'Unfortunately, my dad passed away when I was in Year 12 and this messed up my final year, but Carey supported me and provided me with a lot of insights into society, and I ended up establishing a successful building company, as well as being a proud parent of three children who have all built rewarding careers.'

Every gift, small or large, will enable a student in hardship to begin at Carey and, in doing so, contribute to building an inclusive and diverse community at our school. For further information, or to make a gift, visit carey.com.au/giving



Access and Equity Scholarships at Carey

Access and Equity Scholarships were central to this year's Community Giving appeal and voluntary contributions, and we are immensely grateful for your support. We want as many students as possible to enjoy the benefits of a Carey education, regardless of their background or economic status. If you'd like to know more about how our Access and Equity Scholarships work, read below.

Q. Who is eligible to apply?

- A. Scholarships are offered to students experiencing demonstrated financial disadvantage or hardship, subject to a financial assessment. The successful applicant will be enthusiastic about attending school, likely to complete Year 12 and have parents/family that have demonstrated support and encouragement for the enrolment and scholarship.

Q. What will the scholarship cover?

- A. The scholarship will fully cover the following:
- tuition fees for Years 10 to 12
 - consolidated fees (including camps and excursions, library and laboratory excursions)
 - a laptop.

Q. What are the key conditions for the scholarship?

- A. Scholarship recipients are required to use their talents to the best of their abilities and provide support and encouragement to other Carey students.

They are expected to maintain a high level of commitment to the whole school program including school attendance, being a positive influence in all classes, completion of work and display excellent citizenship. Scholarship recipients are also required to make an active contribution to co-curricular, House and voluntary school events and activities.

An enduring legacy across our century

As we approach the end of our centenary celebrations, it's timely to reflect on those who have come before us and left an enduring legacy and made a significant impact on our school and our students.

For some this legacy is in the classroom, on the sporting field or on the stage. For others this impact is personal, and deeply heartfelt, reflecting on their wish to support the next generation of students in hardship to honour their lives or the lives of their loved ones.

This history of providing opportunities that illuminate pathways for our students stretches back to the very inception of our school. If you would like to explore the possibilities of leaving a meaningful legacy for yourself, your family, and the generations to come, we invite you to reach out to Julianne Brandon, Director of Community Engagement, on 9816 1468.



▲ John Sykes (left)

1923

The Spicer Scholarship was donated by four sons in honour of their late father. The scholarship was for students of Baptist Sunday Schools and was worth £25 per year.

1947

Inspired by the impact of then Headmaster, Vern Francis, just five months prior to his death, Hugh Cameron funded four scholarships to 'deserving children of practising Baptists to experience some of the opportunities he himself did not enjoy'.

1962

One of Carey's most loved teachers in his era, JT Sykes, left a scholarship in memory of his mother and father, Catherine and George Sykes. The scholarship was to assist a deserving student to have a final year at school who might not otherwise be able to without help.

2007

Dr Neville York was the first OCGA Scholarship recipient. At his passing, together with his wife, Dr Jeanne York, a leading medical researcher, Neville left Carey what was then the School's largest philanthropic gift for a scholarship.

2021

We proudly honoured Mary Cairns's bequest which led to the establishment of the Fraser Cairns Scholarship on behalf of her son who was a former prefect at Carey and teacher at Brighton Grammar School.

Expanding our Junior School library classroom collections

In this year's Community Giving appeal, we were thrilled that our community tripled its giving for our Junior School Classroom library collection since last year. Thank you so much for this generous support – our students will be excited to see the range of new books in their classrooms.

Another major fundraising highlight for Junior School Kew was the selling of almost 600 centenary tea towels. Natalie Bode, President of Junior School Parents Association (JSPA), acknowledges all Junior School Kew children, who were the designers of these tea towel keepsakes and the inspiration for the generous donations. 'Thank you to each of the children for designing their own special tea towels as a memento of Carey's centenary', she says.

With the significant support of parents and the JSPA, we will now be able to complete the second stage of our project to expand our non-fiction library collection.

'We know these books have had an impact because we have seen students who were previously not engaged in reading enjoying these books', says Pip Turner, Prep to Year 6 English Co-ordinator.

Carey families achieved so much by working together to support our students and we are incredibly grateful for their contribution to this initiative.



Thank you to Carey's centenary sponsors

Our centenary celebrations would not have been possible without the generous support of our 26 centenary sponsors. We were overwhelmed by the generosity of our community, suppliers and contributors in seeing Carey's milestone celebrated in style.

We had the support of a range of sponsors across many events and encapsulating many different levels of support, as shown on the opposite page. Our three Centenary Partners, ANZ, Bob Stewart and Moores, represent the highest level of support and endorsed us throughout the year at each event and more.

Our centenary sponsors exemplify the value of building meaningful relationships with people inside our community and out.



▲ Jonathan Walter (Carey Baptist Grammar School Principal), Francis Stewart (Bob Stewart), Jason Bull (ANZ), Tim Chilvers (Chair of the Carey Board), Samantha Wischer (Moores)



▲ Liz and Francis Stewart (Bob Stewart)



▲ Jonathan Walter (Carey Baptist Grammar School Principal), Skye Rose (Moores), Tessa van Duyn (Moores), Julianne Brandon (Carey Baptist Grammar School Director of Community Engagement), Jane Favaloro (Deputy Chair of the Carey Board)

Centenary Partners



Centenary Fair



Education Conference



Musicals Through the Years



Centenary Gala Ball



Centenary Sports Dinner



Community Sponsors



Centenary Fair Supporters



Community events across the centenary

As we celebrated our centenary this year, Carey's Advancement team coordinated a range of school activities, including the planting of the centenary tree at Camp Toonalook and the welcoming back of School Captains, multi-generation families, Honoured Life Members of the Old Carey Grammarians Association and Carey's Inaugural Girl Scholars. These events complemented the range of major school-wide events and provided an opportunity for alumni, parents and students to return to Carey and join in the celebrations, in some cases after many years since they were last on campus!



▲ 100 Years of School Captains



▲ Honoured Life Members of the Old Carey Grammarians Association



▲ Inaugural Girl Scholars



▲ Multi-generation families celebration



▲ Lunar New Year celebrations



▲ Diwali celebrations



▲ Planting of the centenary tree at Camp Toonallook

Thank you

Thank you for your support throughout 2023. More than ever, your contribution is transforming the lives of so many students and making an impact across the Carey community and wider society.

Giving online

It's not too late to make a gift through our 2023 Community Giving appeal for our Access and Equity Scholarship and classroom book collections for Junior School Kew – for more information, or to make a gift, please visit carey.com.au/giving

You can support a range of initiatives for the education and wellbeing of Carey students, such as our Access and Equity Scholarship, library resources for students beginning their educational journey in Junior School Kew, sporting equipment or music bursaries. Every gift of any size is warmly appreciated.

Voluntary contributions

Thank you to the hundreds of parents who have made voluntary contributions since its introduction in Term 3 alongside the term billing statement.

Reflecting the values and priorities of the School community, these contributions will be directed to scholarships for students facing hardship or financial disadvantage.

We have heard consistently from parents that inclusivity and diversity is greatly valued, and we know from extensive research that students learn best when the student community is diverse and from varying backgrounds and experiences.

The contributions are completely voluntary, set at \$200 and are fully tax deductible. Every cent received is directed to a fund which may be audited by the Australian Taxation Office and cannot be spent on any purpose other than scholarships.



▲ 'Rose' by Amy Zhang (Year 9), a painting kindly donated to Carey to celebrate our centenary



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