



A message from the Principal

Wednesday 25 June 2025

Dear Parents and Alumni,

In what has been a challenging period for all in our school community, and with a commitment to transparency and change, I write to update you on our ongoing response to historical abuse claims.

Since writing to you in December last year, I have continued to meet with and listen to members of our community who have chosen to share their experiences with me. Carey is deeply committed to supporting those affected and engaging with them in a compassionate way.

Over the coming months, the School is responding to matters that may or may not appear in the media. We are mindful of respecting the privacy of those who have come forward and cannot comment on any individual case. However, I want to assure each member of our community of the School's unwavering commitment to supporting those affected and prioritising their wellbeing. We are dedicated to a trauma-informed approach to each case, ensuring they receive the care and dignity they deserve.

Carey respects the voices of those who have come forward and their choices regarding how they wish to address their experiences. Different pathways for resolution are available: some have chosen to meet with me to discuss their experience and accept my heartfelt support; others have opted to proceed with more formal alternatives. Some have chosen a restorative process and are working with the School to inform and enhance its response to historic harm, and others prefer to remain silent.

I would like to reiterate our zero-tolerance policy for abuse, and our commitment to ensuring that all students, staff and alumni are safe and supported.

We continue to work on specific initiatives to strengthen our ongoing response. This year, the School has undertaken specialist training for all 32 appointed child safety officers who hold positions across all sections of our school. In addition, our Wellbeing Committee has engaged in a series of workshops with Sexuality and Relationships expert Katrina Marson, who led the implementation of the Child Sexual Abuse Royal Commission Criminal Justice recommendations for the ACT.

We understand what a challenging time this has been for our school community and we know it is confronting to read media reports that have detailed some disturbing allegations about our school's past.

We deeply appreciate your support as we take these important steps forward. We will continue to update you as we navigate these challenges and support all in our community.

If you have been impacted but have not yet reached out to the School, please contact us so that we can offer our support and further understand our past and learn from it. There are also a number of alternative contacts for advice and support listed on our [website](#).

Together, we will ensure that our community remains a place where everyone can feel safe, respected and supported, enabling our students to flourish in their learning and development.

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan Walter