

Message From Our Principal Ms Uroda



Dear Families of St Brigid's,

As I come to the end of my 10 years as Principal of St Brigid's, I find myself reflecting with deep gratitude on the extraordinary journey we have shared. This has been more than a role; it has been a calling to walk alongside you in faith and learning, to nurture young leaders, and to grow together in the values of compassion, courage, service, and stewardship.

The spirit of St Brigid's is reflected in the Benedictine tradition, which calls us to seek God in all things. This charism reminds us to listen with the ear of the heart, to welcome each person as Christ, and to find balance in prayer, work, and learning. It has been a joy to see these values take shape in our students as they grow into leaders of faith, of justice, and learning.

I have witnessed our mission come alive. I have seen countless moments of kindness, generosity, and faith in our community. Whether in classrooms, in acts of service, in times of prayer, or in joyful play, you have shown me what it means to live the Gospel values that Benedict so deeply embraced: peace, hospitality, and love of neighbour. You have reminded me that education is not only about knowledge but about shaping hearts that seek God.

A particularly treasured part of our journey has been our liturgical worship and the gift of singing together as a community of faith. St Benedict reminds us in his Rule that when we sing, our hearts and voices must be in harmony, for we sing in the presence of God and the angels. I have seen this truth come alive in our community: through our prayer and our song, we have been drawn closer to God and to one another.

As I take leave after a decade, I do so with gratitude and hope: gratitude for every student, family, and colleague who has been part of this journey, and hope in knowing that the spirit of St Brigid's will continue to flourish. The story never ends; it simply continues in new hands, new hearts, and new leaders who will carry it forward.

May you always walk with compassion, act with courage, serve with love, and live as faithful stewards of God's creation. And above all, may God be glorified in all things.

Principal of St Brigid's

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