

1st December 2017

Dear Students, Parents, Carers and friends of St Martins,

I wrote to you earlier this year to provide advice that our Principal, Dianne Eckermann, has tendered her resignation from the conclusion of the 2017 school year, following 11 years of outstanding service with St Martins Lutheran College.

The College Council subsequently embarked on an extensive recruitment process to identify the right leader to be the next Principal of our College. We attracted applications from qualified and enthusiastic candidates from throughout South Australia's independent schooling sector, and overseas.

It is with great pleasure and excitement that I announce Mr Alan Connah as our new Principal. Alan has been working in his current role as Principal/CEO at Kinabalu International School in Malaysia for several years and is a strong advocate of student centred learning that provides for the development of the whole child.

Alan will bring with him a wealth of educational leadership experience, from both Australia and internationally. Alan has previously held the positions of Head of School at Stonehill International School in India, Head of Senior School in Dulwich College in China, Head of Secondary School at Immanuel Lutheran College in Queensland and has also held leadership positions in the United Kingdom, Switzerland and Thailand.

We are delighted with Alan's appointment and are looking forward to his contribution in leading the College through an exciting time of growth and development commencing from the beginning of Term 3, 2018. I know that you will join the College Council in welcoming Alan into the school community.

Mrs Robyn Teakle, our current Head of Primary School, will step into the role of interim Principal until Alan joins us in 2018.

Thank you to Robyn and we look forward to Alan joining us in 2018.

Yours in Christ,



Marianne Tucker
Chair
St Martins Lutheran College Council



Mr Alan Connah