

**Nagle Catholic College Board
Chairperson's Report
2015**

Last year was my first year as the Chairperson of the Nagle Catholic College Board and I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the other Board members, the Principal, Executive and Staff in this role.

Last year, the Board worked towards delivering a Master Plan for school building improvements to accommodate the needs of our students and teachers in the future. This was a long and considered process, to deliver the best possible plans to enhance our students' learning experience and optimise our teachers' abilities to deliver the best academic programs possible. We have a growing school, with pressure in the future of an additional stream of students arriving from local Catholic schools. Good planning now has no doubt enhanced our ability to deliver upon the growing needs of our College community in the future.

In 2015, the partnership with St Mary's Star of the Sea (Catholic) school in Carnarvon, to create a remote educational program for Year 11 and 12 students, was developed to a point where delivery has occurred this year. This has allowed the families in Carnarvon who are seeking a Catholic education for their child the opportunity to do so locally, without the burden of sending them to boarding school. I'm sure I speak on behalf of the College Board when I thank the Staff who have been involved in this project for their tremendous dedication and hard work to achieve this.

Last year sadly marked the end of Nagle Boarding. After 124 years, boarding students will now be accommodated at the Geraldton Residential College. The Board and Staff of Nagle have secured 45 beds at the Residential College for our current and future students - a commitment by the Board to ensure our regional students still have an equal opportunity to attend our College. It is with nostalgia that we mark the end of this era and turn towards a new one in partnership with the Geraldton Residential College.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Staff who have worked tirelessly at Nagle over the past year. To Rob Crothers, the Executive, school leaders, teachers, administrative and other staff, I thank you for your considerable contributions to our College. I would also like to thank Linda Patrick, who has been a member of the Board for the past six years and who finished her term last year, for her knowledge, contribution and support to both the Board and the P & F during this time.

I'm looking forward to working with the Board, Rob and the staff of Nagle again this year, and hope that we can build upon our strengths and create an even better Nagle Catholic College and community going forward in 2016.

Report presented by Mrs Debbie Carson, Board Chair