

## **Press Release** 6/2/18

*It is with excitement and just a little trepidation that the School's Governing Body resolved on Wednesday to endorse a motion to pursue the development of a high school here at Ragonesi Road.*

*Starting this year, we will begin the process of further developing this beautiful bit of land of ours to incorporate new rooms and facilities for classes 7 through to 12, developing new curriculum, and building our governance, administrative and teaching capacity to deliver a world-class Steiner education from Kindy through to year 12.*

*This is a big, and in many ways bold decision, but one based on a significant amount of research, planning, consideration and consultation. The detailed feasibility report and new site masterplan we commissioned last year have been invaluable in helping to make it.*

*This decision has also been made easier due to our solid financial position paired with our sound governance protocols and experience.*

*In making the decision, we also acknowledged the long-standing desire and will among many of the parent body past and present, to see the School provide our own unique and special brand of education for secondary students.*

*The Board acknowledges that such a move entails risks and are committed to ensuring we maintain and continue to improve the quality of our education and facilities through-out all the grades, old and new.*

*Our Kindy and Primary School are the foundation on which we will build and we will only do so through a well-planned and well-structured process.*

*This is a very exciting moment for our School. We are now 21 years old, well-established and in probably the strongest financial position possible to embark on this journey. And so, for those of you who are delighted to finally see this decision made and to those who have reservations, for all the current class 5 and 6 parents and students suddenly wondering what this might mean for them, we ask all of you to please, get involved, provide your thoughts, your skills, your understanding and your support as we begin.*

*It is, above all, a big task and will benefit from as many hands and minds as possible and ultimately, will only be successful if we're able to come together as a community to realise it.*

*The Alice Springs Steiner Association.*

Michael Tuckwell - Chair