



# ANNUAL GIVING 2019

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

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Philanthropy is the gift of giving. It is an act performed selflessly to benefit others and rarely is it more valuable than when linked to education. At St Catherine's School, our belief in the power of education manifests in a commitment to ensure all students have every opportunity to succeed in their studies.

Our focus for Annual Giving this year is Scholarships to support our rural boarding and Indigenous students. Our Scholarships enable the School to enrol talented and motivated students, whose contributions, values, attitudes, and background, enrich the St Catherine's School experience for everyone.

Your support represents a belief in, and commitment to, their future. As such, its value extends beyond the economic.

On behalf of the students and staff of St Catherine's School, I thank you for your generosity in the past and invite you to invest in the future of St Catherine's girls by supporting Annual Giving in 2019.

Every gift matters and every gift makes a difference.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michelle Carroll".

**Mrs Michelle Carroll**  
Principal

# BUILDING FUND

While the School is so much more than its buildings and facilities, those environments provide the context in which we live and learn together. As such, the refurbishment of our Years 7 & 8 Clock Tower 'Atrium' (formerly known as the Senior Quad) will be the focus of our Building Fund gifts in 2019.

This refurbishment will provide warmth to the 'break-out' and multipurpose communal spaces giving the Clock Tower Atrium a modern 'common room' feel that will be utilised all year round.

Creating an inviting space they can call their own, designed to encourage sharing and conversation, will help our students invest in their own wellbeing.

*"The Clock Tower houses one of our oldest bronze plaques, etched on its plate 25 October 1934. It is a deep reminder of its purpose – a heritage marker of a time, a moment in time – conscious of the past but looking into the future with hope."*

**Mrs Michelle Carroll**

Principal





# INDIGENOUS SCHOLARSHIP

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The St Catherine's Indigenous Scholarship Program provides girls from across Australia with a supportive and encouraging environment, empowering them to set and achieve their own goals, including university or vocational training, establishing a business, or volunteering for social work in their own community. Incidentally, it provides other students with an opportunity to understand and respect Indigenous culture and issues.

Nina Pigram, who commenced in Year 7 and is currently in Year 11, is delighted to be joined in the Boarding House this year by her niece, Wayahpo Manolis. Both girls are keen to become role models and make a lasting impact in their communities.

*Indigenous Scholarship Program recipients  
Wayahpo Manolis (Year 7) and Nina Pigram (Year 11)*



# RURAL BOARDING SCHOLARSHIP

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Gifts to our rural boarding scholarships have an immediate personal and profound impact. Each dollar gifted to rural boarding scholarships helps students fulfil their potential to be globally responsive, remarkable young women.

Originally from the small country town of Bright, Flynn O'Brien, current Year 12 student and 2019 Boarding Captain, and her family, were attracted to the strong sense of community at St Catherine's School. Flynn is the third O'Brien sister to become Boarding Captain at St Catherine's.

Flynn has embraced her time as a boarder, by being actively involved

in debating, public speaking and is an enthusiastic member of the Human Rights Club.

"I strive to be involved in all activities at St Catherine's and I hope to have a positive influence on the younger girls – I believe it only takes a small action from each person to make a big difference."

"After graduating I intend to study a double degree in International Relations, and Politics, Philosophy & Economics at the Australian National University. I love the idea of this course because it incorporates all my interests and will equip me with the skill set needed to influence the world of global politics".





## St Catherine's School

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