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A message to the Trinity Community from the School Council

Trinity parent and accomplished business and community leader John Gillam was appointed last night to the role of Chairman of Trinity Grammar's Interim School Council.

At Council's first meeting since assuming leadership of the school on 1 June, members moved to adopt an overarching framework that will guide its work over the next 12 months.

The framework commits Council to consider all of its decisions and actions in the context of three key areas:

1. Achieving excellence and harmony in the daily functioning of the school
Interim Council's objective is to ensure 2018 is a great success for all our boys
2. Unifying our community
Interim Council's objective is to restore trust and positive involvement with boys, parents, staff and the wider community
3. Preparing for 2019 and beyond
Interim Council's objective is to position the school to successfully achieve its vision and mission from 2019 onwards

The previously announced school governance review and community consultation process will continue within this framework.

John Gillam said he was honoured to be appointed Chair of School Council.

"I feel a great sense of responsibility in accepting this position and look forward to working collaboratively with all members of the school community. As a council, we are eager to meet personally with as many people as possible from all parts of the school."

Long-standing council member Lucy Muchic remains Deputy Chair, and Sally Bateman continues as Treasurer.

Ms Muchic said Trinity was fortunate to attract John Gillam as Chair of the School's Interim Council.

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“While his business credentials mean John is eminently qualified to assume leadership of the Interim Council, his care for the school and its people is also apparent. At such a critical juncture, it is comforting and encouraging to know that John is leading a newly-formed school Council that is determined to govern and nurture Trinity towards a strong future, both for the immediate and longer terms.”

Trinity’s Interim School Council is:

- Mr John Gillam – Chairman
- Ms Lucy Muchic – Deputy Chair
- Mrs Sally Bateman – Treasurer
- Mr Chris Braithwaite
- Mr Mathew Browning
- Prof Don Campbell
- Ms Nichola Lefroy
- Ms Lisa Williams

About John Gillam

John is a Trinity Grammar parent with a son in Year 12. He also has a daughter at Ruyton Girls School (Year 9), and his eldest daughter is an Old Ruytonian. Upon moving onto Trinity’s Interim School Council, John stood down from the board of Ruyton, a position he held for six years. Currently Chair of leading building products company CSR, John has an impressive executive and non-executive career history. For 12 of his 20 years at Wesfarmers Group, he was CEO of Bunnings, completing that tenure in 2016. John is a board member at the Clontarf Foundation and Heartwell. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Western Australia.