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Dear Members of the St Joseph's College Community

BROTHER ANTHONY BOYD FMS

Brother Anthony Boyd has been the College's Deputy Headmaster since January 1996. In this role, he has served under four Headmasters: Br Ernest Houston, Br Paul Hough, Mr Ross Tarlinton and the current Head, Dr Chris Hayes. To serve in a single role for 23 years is quite an extraordinary achievement; and so, it should come as no surprise that I announce today Br Anthony's retirement as Deputy Headmaster. He will conclude his term at the end of the 2019 school year.

Tony's SJC pedigree is well known. His personal association commenced in 1964 when he started Year 7; he went on to complete his HSC in 1969. Due to the knowledge of the Brothers he developed through his six years of secondary school, he chose to commence formation as a Brother. Following initial formation, preliminary study and early teaching at Parramatta Marist High, Tony returned to St Joseph's as a staff member in 1975. With the exception of three years during which he undertook renewal, study and other ministry experiences, he has remained at the College since then. In all, 6 years as a student and 41 years as a member of staff. His knowledge of the College, its history, families, ex-students and current community is unparalleled.

Tony's responsibilities over these years are too numerous to mention; and should I attempt to list them I'm certain to miss some. However, we know the general sweep: teacher, Dormitory and Boarding Coordinator, First XV Rugby Coach for 22 years, coach and manager of rowing and numerous other teams, and Deputy Headmaster. And, I should emphasise: friend to many. I know from conversations with a broad range of you that Tony has been greatly admired, and your appreciation is extensive and genuine. This is not only in recognition of his work, skills and commitment, but also because of his humility, warmth and affable manner.

Tony has made an extraordinary commitment to St Joseph's over the last 56 years. He will continue this commitment in the future, albeit in a different way and a changed role. In 2020, he will take time away from Hunters Hill. This will permit some personal renewal and also give the new Deputy Headmaster the opportunity to settle into the role in his or her own right. Later, Tony will return to the Hunters Hill Brothers' community and take on other duties of service to the College. These will be essentially pastoral, non-management duties, and will be determined in consultation between the Headmaster and Provincial.

Marist Schools Australia will advertise the Deputy Headmaster's position in the near future. Dr Hayes has advised me that plans are already underway to hold an event at the College, later this year, to recognise and celebrate the wonderful service and exemplary gift Tony has been to generations of Joeys' boys and their families. You will be notified of the details next term.

To conclude, I congratulate Tony on his wholehearted commitment to the College and its community. I also take this opportunity to thank you for the support and encouragement you have given him, and more broadly, the Marist Brothers. While it is likely that no more Brothers will fill leadership roles at the College, we are highly satisfied with the mission, life and culture of St Joseph's. We are confident that future leadership will ensure the highest standards of Catholic education, in the tradition of St Marcellin Champagnat, will continue to characterise and enliven the College.

With my personal best wishes,

Yours sincerely

Br Peter Carroll FMS
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