



St Mark's College

**THE GIFT OF SCHOLARSHIPS**

# Annual Giving 2017

## 2017 ANNUAL GIVING - THE GIFT OF SCHOLARSHIPS

*This year we seek your support in providing scholarships for new and returning students at St Mark's College.*

Scholarships are critical in attracting new students to the College and play a role in retaining senior students through acknowledging academic excellence, artistic and musical talent as well as their contribution to the university and wider community.

Through the generosity of our collegians, friends and other benefactors, over 50% of our students currently receive some form of financial assistance through scholarships, prizes and bursaries. Without this support many of them would not be able to attend or continue to live at College.

St Mark's was founded through the idealism and high aspirations of a number of individuals who were on their own in finding land, buildings, infrastructure, funding and students in the early days. Much of the College's special qualities stem from the history of our founding and the generous response of our community to support their work.

Our founders have proven that students greatly benefit from living and learning alongside one another and being part of an academic community which allows them to fully develop their potential as they venture through the critical life transitions of adolescence to adulthood, and from school to university and into the workforce.

The St Mark's advantage is evidenced by the level of engagement and subsequent satisfaction students experience with their social life, personal development, access to sporting and cultural activities, broadened horizons, access to leadership opportunities, self-confidence and interpersonal skills, along with the outcomes of better marks and a much stronger likelihood to graduate.

It is also demonstrated in future years through the high achievements and significant contributions made by so many St Mark's Collegians across the world. The way in which those same Collegians keep in touch with their College and support its functions and fundraising shows that our founders' vision is reciprocated through an appreciation of the special benefits that being a member of the College can bring.

We encourage you to make a scholarship donation so that we can continue to provide financial assistance to students and continue to build a strong and resilient community in the years to come. Alternatively, you may wish to show your support to the College by donating to another important initiative.

Your annual gift, no matter the size, enables the College to flourish. It is a tangible demonstration of your desire for the College to do its best in providing an extraordinary living and learning experience for students in the years to come.



**Rose Alwyn**  
Master,  
St Mark's College



**James Price**  
President,  
St Mark's College Foundation

## DIRECTING YOUR 2017 ANNUAL GIVING DONATIONS

**St Mark's Scholarship Fund:** Donations will go towards the existing scholarship and prize fund that recognises financial need or a student's academic performance, leadership ability and/or contribution to the College and the wider community.

**Create a new Scholarship or Prize:** You may wish to establish a new scholarship or prize, either in perpetuity or on a short term or annual basis.

**Scholarship Champion:** Become a key contact if a student requires emergency financial support. This can be discussed with you at the required time and will depend upon a student's needs and the amount you wish to contribute.

**Library Fund:** The Ian and Pamela Wall Academic Centre and Simpson Tutorial Rooms are an integral part of College life and we continue to enhance the library collection and tutoring resources for our student community.

**Buy-a-brick:** Your time at St Mark's can be remembered in stone by having your name permanently engraved on a paver in the Pond Courtyard. Your donation of \$200 will provide a paver engraved with your name, or the name of a family member who has attended College, and the years at College.

**Master's Discretion:** The Master will allocate funds according to need.

### Tax Deductibility

All donations to St Mark's College for the advancement of education are tax-deductible for income tax purposes.

For further details or to arrange a time to discuss your gift or a bequest to the College, please contact Ms Sarah Hampel, Director of Development & Marketing on 08 8334 5600.





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### *St Mark's College Foundation Membership*

The College recognises donors of \$500 or more as members of the St Mark's College Foundation under the following categories on the Honour Board at the entrance to Downer House;

**Governor** - Donations of \$100,000 or greater

**Benefactor** - Donations of \$25,000-\$99,999

**Fellow** - Donations of \$10,000-\$24,999

**Senior Member** - Donations of \$2,000-\$9,999

**Member** - Donations of \$500-\$1,999



*“I cannot thank the College enough for the academic support, the opportunity to play sport, have an exciting social life and be part of a community that embraces a healthy balance to life.”*



*“Receiving a scholarship has relieved the financial pressure and allowed me more time to fully embrace all the great opportunities that St Marks College life has to offer.”*