

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

12 August 2021

Dear Members

I hope you are all keeping safe and well. As I write to you, I know that there have been several schools across the state who have been forced into lockdown and have done it tough for 14 days or more, while the remainder of the state has been struggling as well with some level of isolation. When schools first started closing last year, I doubt that many of us realised just how long this would continue. To accept that we are in Lockdown 6.0 is somewhat difficult to comprehend.

Schools have responded remarkably well to the circumstances. No doubt we have all encountered the angry parent, disengaged child or at times the frustrated staff member/s. Hopefully you have also received words of encouragement and an expression of thanks from your community. I encourage you to remind yourself how well you are doing, holding the fort together. The school wouldn't be the same without you steering them through these challenges. While we continue to look out for the well-being of our students and staff, and carefully navigate the various family dynamics, I implore you to also look after your own health.

Be disciplined in maintaining suitable working hours, and though you may be working from home, remember to leave your frustrations or challenges at your desk, and don't allow it to impact on those closest to you. It is also important to remember that you have many colleagues that are experiencing the same issues you are. Don't be afraid to reach out to someone for support. It doesn't matter whether you have years of experience or not, we all need time to share, and your IPSHA network should be considered a safe place to do this.

Heads/Deputies Branch Meeting Dinner – Reimagined

The branch meeting that was scheduled this term to include both the Heads and Deputies has been modified to be an on-line event due to the COVID restrictions. The dinner has been cancelled. However, thanks to Kristen and Jo, we have been lucky enough to secure Lynne Cazaly to present to both our members and Deputies. A Teams link will be circulated, and you will be encouraged to share this with your deputies. The sponsor presenting at this term's meeting is Geoff Craig from Class Solver. Class Solver is the final sponsor to present in 2021. I encourage you to engage with Geoff, or any of our sponsors, if you get the opportunity.

Call for Nominations for new Branch Executive Members

Earlier this term Sharee Gaiser, our IPSHA Victorian Branch Secretary, announced that she had made the decision to resign from her position at Oxley Christian College at the end of the year. Sharee has been a valued member of IPSHA for several years and has graciously given so much of her time to take on the important role of Branch Secretary, with very little support from anyone else. I'm sure you will join me in congratulating Sharee on her decision and wish her well for her next venture. It is hoped that we may see Sharee, sometime in the future, again involved with IPSHA.

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As a result of Sharee's departure, we are now calling for nominations to the branch executive. We have the secretarial role to be filled as well as two vacant Project Officer positions. I strongly encourage you to consider being part of the executive team and contributing to your network of IPSHA colleagues. It is a most rewarding experience.

A nomination form is attached to these papers, so please take the time to complete and return by the due date. Please note you **must** have an IPSHA member 2nd your nomination. We look forward to receiving your form.

Breakfast Hub Group Meetings 2021

It has been quite unfortunate that many of the breakfast/coffee mornings that were arranged for this term had to be cancelled or postponed due to the COVID restrictions. I just wanted to thank and acknowledge those members who volunteered to take on this responsibility for this year. I am aware that several groups have got together on at least one occasion, so hopefully the opportunity will be there again for others in the future.

If you haven't made yourself known to a specific group and would like to attend, I have listed the names of the IPSHA host, their school, the venue at which they are gathering, their contact e-mail and the dates for their next rendezvous. I encourage you to reach out to the host directly so that they can include you in their numbers and circulation of communication.

NAME	SCHOOL	EMAIL	VENUE	TERM 3 DATE	TERM 4 DATE
Louise Nicholls-Easley	Peninsula Grammar	lnichollseasley@pgs.vic.edu.au	Our Kitchen Table – 134 Bourke Road, Malvern East	TBA	TBA
Simone Reilly	Caulfield Grammar School - Malvern Campus	simonereilly@caulfieldgs.vic.edu.au	Blank Space - 4/343 Pakington Street, Newtown	29/07/2021	11/11/2021
Sondra Wood	The Geelong College	sondra.wood@geelongcollege.vic.edu.au	Gilson's – 171 Domain Road, South Yarra	17/08/2021	12/10/2021
Sarah Gill & Sally Hill	Melbourne Girls Grammar	sarah.gill@mggs.vic.edu.au sally.hill@mggs.vic.edu.au	Goat House - 272 Glenhuntly Rd, Elsternwick	14/08/2021	13/10/2021
Jacinta Janssens & Kieran McCrohan	Wesley College Elsternwick	jacinta.janssens@wesleycollege.edu.au	The Main Cafe Bar and Restaurant - 1/4-6 Wheeler St, Berwick	24/08/2021	26/10/2021
Louise Sayar	St Margaret's Berwick Grammar School	sayarl@smbg.vic.edu.au	The Common Room - 79 Kalinda Road, Ringwood	5/08/2021	21/10/2021
Nicole Rogers	Yarra Valley Grammar - Junior School	nicole.rogers@yvg.vic.edu.au	Black Squirrel - Bay Rd, Sandringham	14/08/2021	17/11/2021
Brad Nelsen	Firbank Grammar School - Sandringham Campus	bnelsen@firbank.vic.edu.au	Friends of Mind - 506 Swan Street, Richmond	16/09/2021	11/11/2021
Kate Giles	Ruyton Girls' School	gilesk@ruyton.vic.edu.au	Liar Liar - 90 Kinkora Road, Hawthorn (cnr Glenferrie Road)	27/08/2021	29/10/2021
Grant Nalder	Trinity Grammar School, Kew	nalderg@trinity.vic.edu.au	Benny and Me - 25 Rose Street, Essendon	20/08/2021	12/11/2021
Peter Williams	Lowther Hall Anglican Grammar School	williamsp@lowtherhall.vic.edu.au	Tosca Browns 211 Gray Street, Hamilton	12/07/2021	28/09/2021
Stephen Nelson	The Hamilton and Alexander College	snelson@hamiltoncollege.vic.edu.au	Norwood Café - 70 Middleborough Road Burwood East	20/08/2021	12/11/2021
Catherine Samuel	The Knox School	catherine.samuel@knox.vic.edu.au	Our Kitchen Table – 134 Bourke Road, Malvern East	4/08/2021	20/10/2021

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IPSHA Choral Festival

Last year the Choral festival was cancelled due to COVID and this year has proven just as challenging. The cost to the association to hold the festival and the inflation of the ticket price for participating schools made it difficult to justify the continuation of the event. The Branch executive made the difficult decision to cancel the choral festival for 2021 and have suggested it be reviewed in 2023 for a possible recommencement in 2024, if there is sufficient interest from member schools.

Professional Development Interest Groups

We are grateful to the 37 member schools who completed the survey to share the names and the contact details of their staff so that these teachers can continue to grow professionally and learn from each other. These details will be published on the IPSHA website in the coming weeks and something we hope to keep up to date each year. If your school hasn't been included don't hesitate to reach out and provide the executive with the relevant details so your school can be represented accordingly.

Change of Date – Term 4 Branch Meeting and Lunch

Please note the change of date due to a clash with the proposed new date for the APPA Trans-Tasman Conference being held in Melbourne. The date for our Branch Meeting and lunch is now scheduled for Friday 5 November.

IPSHA National Campaign – School Aid: “Light up Vanuatu (LUV)”

I would like to continue to encourage all IPSHA schools in Victoria to continue to support the national campaign to “Light Up Vanuatu”.

All you need to do is REGISTER YOUR SCHOOL to get involved.



Click on the link to register:

<https://www.schoolaid.org.au/signup?parentid=light-up-vanuatu>

Schools so far registered: 36 schools Nationally, 5 Victorian schools

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APPA Trans-Tasman Conference in Melbourne

NEW DATES: 18-21 October

I want to encourage as many members as possible to think about taking up the opportunity to attend the APPA Trans-Tasman conference for 2021. The date was moved back due to COVID restrictions, but the convenors are still hopeful it will occur. It is a great opportunity to mingle with other colleagues from the 3 sectors Independent, State and Catholic schools. Visit the link below if you would like to register.



REGISTER NOW

<https://www.appa-nzpf2021.com/>

WELS Student Leadership Program

INVITATION 4TH ANNUAL

IPSHA STUDENT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM – 2021

Thank you to Brad Nelsen for taking on the responsibility of coordinating this event with Ben Righetti. It seems that it was a very successful program with roughly 24 schools involved and 85 students in total. IPSHA is looking to support this program continuing in 2022, so keep this in mind for your leaders next year.

Current State Membership - 110 IPSHA members in total (as of 4 August 2021)

82 fully paid members	7 members pending
4 Honorary Federal Life members	12 Honorary State Life members
2 Associate members	3 member – observer status only

State Branch Goals 2020 -2022

The Branch Executive have approved the following goals for the Victorian Branch 2020-2022.

1. Continue to build collegiality amongst our Victorian members
 - o Strengthen our connection with remote members
 - The plan is to designate Term 2 to a regional meeting
2. Re-affirm and strengthen our connection with the PL subcommittees
 - List what we currently have
3. Focus on the Professional Learning for Heads and Deputy Heads of Junior Schools
4. Update and archive our State records – preserve our History

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REMINDER: 2021 Meeting Venues, Dates and Times

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Branch	MEETING DATE: Thursday 18 March PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Nicole Ginnane TIME: 1.00pm – 3.00pm VENUE: Geelong Grammar School, Toorak ADDRESS: 14 Douglas St, Toorak	BRANCH CONFERENCE DATE: Thursday/Friday 20/21 May 2021 PERSON RESPONSIBLE: John Abbott and Kristen Smith TIME: 20 May 6.30pm for 7.00pm Dinner 21 May All Day VENUE: Foothills Conference Centre Yarra Valley ADDRESS: 48 Edinburgh Road, Moorebark Vic 3138 SPEAKER: Tracey Ezard	HEADS AND DEPUTIES COMBINED DINNER BRANCH MEETING DATE: 19 August PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Grant Nalder TIME: 2.00pm – 4.00pm – 7.00pm VENUE: Microsoft Teams On-line Trinity Grammar School ADDRESS: 40 Charles Street, Kew	APPA CONFERENCE DATE: 18-21 October 2021 20–23 July 2021 END OF YEAR BRANCH MEETING AND LUNCH NOTE CHANGE OF DATE: Friday 5 November Friday 22 October PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Allison Prandolini TIME: 11.30am - 3.00pm VENUE: Melbourne Town Hall ADDRESS: 90-130 Swanston St, Melbourne
Virtual Meeting Via ZOOM	DATE: Thursday 25 March TIME: 1.00pm – 2.00pm	DATE: Thursday 27 May TIME: 3.30pm – 4.30pm	DATE: Thursday 26 August TIME: 1.00pm - 2.00pm	DATE: Thursday 28 October TIME: 3.30pm - 4.30pm

Yours sincerely



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