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Dear Colleagues and Members of the Marist Community

**Appointment of National Director, Marist Schools Australia
Commencing July 2026**

Following an extensive advertising and selection process conducted over the past three months, the Council for the Marist Association of Saint Marcellin Champagnat has endorsed the decision of the Board of Marist Schools Australia to appoint **Dr John Kyle-Robinson** as National Director, commencing 27 July 2026. John is currently MSA Regional Director, working with 24 schools throughout the ACT and NSW since 2017.

John has rich experience in Catholic education spanning a period of 35 years, during which he has held various leadership roles in secondary schools and systems. As a teacher, Religious Education Coordinator, and a senior education officer for Catholic schools in Sydney, John has consistently demonstrated leadership witnessed by Christian discipleship. As Assistant Principal at Marist College Eastwood (2001-2005), founding Principal of Clancy Catholic College Hoxton Park in Sydney (2006-2011), Principal of Trinity Catholic College Auburn (2012-2016), John consistently led with distinction. Successful studies earned a Bachelor of Arts and Diploma in Education from Macquarie University, a Diploma in Catechetics from the Aquinas Academy, a Master of Education from the Australian Catholic University, and in 2020 John completed research with the same University titled *Teachers in Australian Secondary Schools and the New Evangelisation*, gaining a Doctor of Education. In 2024 John completed the distinguished High Performance Leadership Program at Oxford University.

John's broad experience in leading schools with diverse and complex needs has given him a comprehensive understanding of contemporary educational leadership in which faith development and excellence in educational outcomes are prioritised for every student. At the heart of John's ministry is his ability to build authentic relationships and collaborative partnerships with school leaders, diocesan executives, religious congregations, and educational systems. His approach is marked by mutual respect, shared purpose, and a readiness to engage constructively with challenges. His extensive national and international networks are strengthened by sincerity, warmth, and prayerfulness. These qualities flow from John's active participation in parish life and his deep connection to Marist spirituality and tradition.

In making this announcement, sincere appreciation is extended to those who joined me as members of the selection panel:

Ms Pam Betts:	Board Director, Marist Schools Australia
Ms Audrey Brown:	Executive Officer, CRMV Ltd
Fr Anthony Casamento csma:	Member of MSA Regional Council NSW/ACT
Ms Donna McLaughlin:	Member of Council, Marist Association of Saint Marcellin Champagnat
Dr Liam Smith:	National Executive Director, EREA
Mr Peter Turner:	Board Director, Marist Schools Australia

We look forward to John commencing in the role in Semester II 2026.

Yours sincerely



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