

NAMING OUR NEIGHBOURHOODS AND HOUSES

The important process has commenced on the exciting task of naming our Neighbourhoods and Houses in readiness for the move to our new site on Hawdon Street in 2022. We would love to have these names in place for the commencement of the 2021 school year so the staff and students at all three campuses can start to familiarise themselves with the names and start to make a more of a connection with their House and Neighbourhood before the big shift.

So, we are asking for your input.

Before you start thinking about names, there are some DET parameters to consider that must be in place before we can commence the conversation:

- (a) They must not be too difficult to pronounce
- (b) They must be written in English
- (c) It is preferred that names of individuals **NOT** be used – living or deceased
- (d) They must be inclusive, must not be discriminatory or cause offence
- (e) They must not be seen to replicate or replace the school vision, mission, or values
- (f) They cannot duplicate other well-known organisations, i.e. commercial businesses like Furphys
- (g) They need to be as applicable in 30 years time as now
- (h) They could be aspirational in nature
- (i) They should NOT be aligned to “pop culture” or current buzzwords
- (j) It would be ideal if the three House names had some form of link to their corresponding Neighbourhood name, e.g. if the Neighbourhood name were River and the Houses names of rivers.

The Student Representative council at each campus has already been working hard to come up with their own ideas and to organise a timeline for this decision to be taken to the School Council.

Here is that timeline:

9 th September	Promote the task and seek feedback from staff and students (committee)
9 th October	Suggestions and feedback from staff and students finalised (committee)
14 th October	Check suitability of staff and student submissions (committee and SRC reps)
19 th October	Submissions shortlisted (committee and SRC reps) – aim for 5 only
26 th October	Open voting on the shortlisted options
4 th November	Voting closes
9 th November	Preferred option put to the GSSC Senior Leadership Team for endorsement
16 th November	Preferred option communicated to School Council for final approval
23 rd November	This week we promote the names to school community at a special event

Now we ask that you put forward your own ideas for consideration. The SRC have done theirs and are looking for more ideas to consider. Thank you for your input and showing a keen interest in helping us with this important task.

NEIGHBOURHOOD AND HOUSE NAME SUGGESTIONS

1.

Neighbourhood 1	Neighbourhood 2	Neighbourhood 3
Crane	Currawong	Cassowary
House Names	House Names	House Names
Emu	Rosella	Eagle
Lyrebird	Galah	Wren
Parrot	Lorikeet	Honeyeater

2.

Neighbourhood 1	Neighbourhood 2	Neighbourhood 3
Acacia	Banksia	Wattle
House Names	House Names	House Names
Grevillea	Eucalyptus	Correa
Hakea	Hibiscus	Wallum
Callistemon	Dryandra	Melaleuca

3.

Neighbourhood 1	Neighbourhood 2	Neighbourhood 3
Platypus	Kangaroo	Barramundi
House Names	House Names	House Names
Echidna	Koala	Trout
Numbat	Goanna	Redfin
Quokker	Emu	Angelfish

4.

Neighbourhood 1	Neighbourhood 2	Neighbourhood 3
Teal	Charcoal	Orange
House Names	House Names	House Names
Wyndham	Corio	Maude
McLennan	Macisaac	Craigmuir
Archer	Sabroan	Nixon

5.

Neighbourhood 1	Neighbourhood 2	Neighbourhood 3
One	Two	Three
House Names	House Names	House Names
Teal	Red	Yellow
Navy	Purple	Blue
Lime	Orange	Forest

6.

Neighbourhood 1	Neighbourhood 2	Neighbourhood 3
House Names	House Names	House Names

7.

Neighbourhood 1	Neighbourhood 2	Neighbourhood 3
House Names	House Names	House Names