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Dear school families,

It is with much sadness that I pass on the news of the loss of two gentlemen who have been key members of our school community, Mr Ken Campbell and Mr Mike Leske.

Ken Campbell, a long-standing member of the Golden Grove Lutheran Primary School and Church community, passed away on Tuesday. Ken was a long-term volunteer here at GGLPS. He was on the Finance Team for 20 years or more, worked with a large number of our students over the years with coaching and judging for debating and public speaking (he was an active member of Rostrum), and regularly helped with just about anything he was able to. Ken was still volunteering at our school when he was in his late eighties and had been actively involved with our school up until only a few years ago.

Many staff, students and parents from the school will have fond memories of Ken and I appreciate that this will be very sad news to receive. We are thankful for your prayers and thoughts for Ken's family at this time, especially his wife Fay. I understand that Pastor Greg will conduct a funeral for Ken in the coming weeks and we will be sure to pass on the details of those arrangements once they are finalised.

Ken's family has requested that in lieu of flowers, donations to Australian Lutheran World Service can be made through Golden Grove Lutheran Church (front office).

Mike Leske was the founding Principal of Endeavour College where he was a much-loved member of the school community for many years. The role of principal can be a challenging one, and foundation principal of a school even more so, given the work to build a school literally from the ground up and develop the foundations of strong educational programs, and most importantly a positive and vibrant school culture. It is a great testament to Mike's work that his legacy continues to be so strong in the outstanding educational institution that Endeavour College is for so many students and families today.

Mike was a faithful servant of Lutheran education, having also served in a number of Lutheran schools including at St Peters College Indooroopilly, Deputy Principal at Faith College in Tanunda and as Principal at Ocean Forest College in Dalyellup.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Mike's wife, Fran, and children Ben (dec), Claire, Steve and Khang Chiem.

A celebration of Mike's life will be held at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Para Vista on Saturday 30th January at 2.00pm. Please refer to the Barossa Funerals website for the live stream link, date, time, and attendance registration information.

<https://barossafunerals.com.au/funeral-services/>

Blessings
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