

a bold new vision

*To redevelop almost one third of our campus
and create an environment which best serves the health
and wellbeing of our students, enhances the value of
our outstanding sports program and adds to the
depth and relevance of our curriculum.*



Often I am asked what would I have done if I had never attended St Margaret's? It is a scary thought for me. To me, my time at St Margaret's enabled me to unlock a pretty special pathway, which may never have been discovered, had I not been given the opportunity all those years ago.

Olympic Rower - Sally Kehoe ('03)



It will be great to have a heated pool all year round. Pre-season water polo training, even in October, is so cold in the 50m pool, and I'm excited to hear we will be able to hold home matches at St Margaret's, which will be a real advantage.

Lucy Damman, Year 8

Going for Bold

In 2015, St Margaret's embarked upon a five year Enhancing Excellence campaign to revitalise and upgrade parts of the school campus and reinvigorate outdated areas with exciting new facilities. Three major projects were outlined - the greening of the space between Toorak and the boarding house, including the completion of M's Café and outdoor deck; a collaborative lecture theatre; and a tinker or maker space in the primary school. Through the generosity of donors to the campaign and contributions from the P&F, the first of these has been achieved and the second is underway, due for completion January 2018.

Under the banner of Enhancing Excellence also comes a major reimagining of St Margaret's sports precinct, the primary catalyst for this being the life expectancy of the current pool, built in 1969, but now with only a few years left before it must be decommissioned. How to rebuild, replace or reposition a pool – a most significant undertaking – bestows upon the current custodians of St Margaret's a major responsibility. How can this watershed opportunity best serve St Margaret's long into the future?

After significant community consultation and many months of planning with architects and engineers, the vision can be unveiled. It's a bold new vision, but does not depart from the objectives of the current Property Master Plan with its focus on creating precincts across the school campus and pedestrian spines to facilitate improved ease of access and efficient movement throughout.

So rather than simply rebuild a pool, the more responsible and future-proof decision is the creation of a comprehensive sports precinct in the northern section of the school between Lapraik and Butler Streets, adjacent to the primary school. With this also comes the opportunity to reimagine some existing spaces in and around that precinct to better serve the students.

Foremost in our planning is building facilities that will best serve St Margaret's students now and long into the future; however, this bold new vision is more than bricks and mortar. It is about the health and wellbeing of our students, the depth and relevance of our curriculum, the value of our outstanding sports program, and the importance of facilities and the opportunities they create, which

contribute to the delivery of the holistic education, for which St Margaret's is so well-known.

This capital campaign is about a community coming together with a purpose to create a campus where the needs of many students will be met and where student memories will be made. It is about creating the best possible educational environment.

Donations to this bold new vision are tax-deductible and can be pledged over one to three years. This project is the most significant development ever to be undertaken in the school's history; we would like you to be part of it, as we are sure, when it's complete, you will want to proudly look upon this watershed period in the school's history and be able to say: "I was a part of that."





Alison Quinn

Old Girl ('83), Current Parent and Chair of School Council

This project truly is a watershed opportunity for St Margaret's on many levels. It brings our long-term vision of arts, academic and sports precincts one step closer, not only providing outstanding sporting facilities but optimising movement around the campus for staff, students and the wider community. As Sports Captain in my final year, sport obviously played a big role in my school life; indeed, sporting participation is a hallmark of a St Margaret's education, renowned for our high levels of participation and competitive success – even at Olympic level. This project undoubtedly befits St Margaret's tradition of and commitment to sport and physical education and the role both have always played throughout the school's history in the provision of a holistic education to young women.

Pamela Hendry

Old Girl ('09)

I'm very excited about the opportunities these new facilities will give St Margaret's students. Swimming has been my passion for many years; to be able to swim confidently in Australia – with its climate and lifestyle – is an essential part of growing up here, so the fact the new pool will be open all year round and have a learn to swim capacity is wonderful.

The St Margaret's sports program introduced me to lifesaving; eight years on, I am humbled to captain both the Royal Lifesaving and Surf Lifesaving National teams. I was also a passionate rower at school, so am thrilled the sporting precinct will house a cardio suite for rowing ergos and strength and conditioning equipment. The next generation of sportswomen will thrive at St Margaret's.

However, the benefits of this new precinct are not just for athletes. An active life is a good life; if we can encourage the joy of exercise and sport in all girls through great facilities and programs, we will give St Margaret's students the best start in life.

Kylie Lamprecht

Old Girl ('00) and Chair of Foundation

This bold new vision is perhaps one of the most significant projects St Margaret's has undertaken in recent history. I urge the St Margaret's community to consider the efforts of generations of previous parents and indeed past students who have contributed to the facilities that today's students enjoy, and to pay forward their generosity. This reimagining of St Margaret's will be the making of St Margaret's for the decades that follow; however, it demands as much imagination as it does action, and it insists on the contributions of every community member. I urge you all to be a part of this evolution, and to leave a legacy for today's and tomorrow's generation of young women.



How to Be Bold: Ways of Giving

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You may wish to discuss your gift with a member of the Capital Campaign Committee or St Margaret's Director of Philanthropy and Stakeholder Engagement and we invite your enquiry and will be happy to make an appointment for a personal visit or a telephone or skype discussion.

Some donors may wish to pledge an amount over several years and this and other giving options can be discussed with a member of the Capital Campaign Committee or St Margaret's Director of Philanthropy and Stakeholder Engagement.

There are also sponsorship opportunities and naming rights which are detailed in an insert to this brochure.

In the first instance, for all enquiries regarding the Enhancing Excellence "Going for Bold" Capital Campaign, please contact the St Margaret's Director of Philanthropy and Stakeholder Engagement on +61 7 3862 0884 or email foundation@stmargarets.qld.edu.au

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- All donors will immediately receive recognition on a webpage dedicated to the Capital Campaign, for the duration of the campaign.
- A permanent Honour Board will be erected in the sports precinct where the names of donors who give \$1000 or more will be recorded.
- Naming rights (discussed on an individual basis).

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With night lights for tennis, we will be able to extend the time we can play and practice. Sometimes we can't play now if it has been raining, so all-weather courts will really help too.

Sophie Webster, Year 7

St Margaret's has been built on a tradition of giving

From the early work of the Sisters of the Society of the Sacred Advent, who at times took to the streets, rattling tins of coins and asking for donations to further their work, to the most recent capital campaign which resulted in the building of the Eunice Science and Resource Centre, St Margaret's has been built on the spirit of generosity and the wisdom and foresight of donors with a passion for educating the young women of the day for the betterment of society.

Just as the world continually evolves, so too must a school campus evolve to rise to the educational challenges that come with preparing students for a rapidly changing future.

St Margaret's is committed to providing the broadest possible educational opportunities and to educating the whole child; the school's facilities must continually reflect this commitment across all spheres of our educational offerings from the academic, to sports, music and the visual and performing arts.

In the 1970s, for gymnastics training, it was enough to bring out the old wooden vault in Eton Hall and place down a few thin mats to land on. Other apparatus, such as a beam and uneven parallel bars, were housed in a small building that is now the school supply shop. To change with the times and give our girls the best opportunity to explore this sport of grace and strength, a new gymnasium, in keeping with the rapid development of the sport, was housed in the expansive Philip Harris Sports Centre, opened in 1995.

In 1975, the biology labs in the shiny new Avoca building were the envy of other educational institutions, but by the time the Eunice Science Centre was opened in 2012, they had served the school well for over 35 years. Our science labs are once again fitting of the contemporary educational landscape, and will inspire the next generation of scientists, doctors and engineers.

In 1969, St Margaret's opened the first 50m school pool in Brisbane. It has served generations of students, and been the training grounds of Olympians. The new pool will be heated and used all year round, by all students, from those learning to swim to those dreaming of gold.

Times change and through the generosity of donors St Margaret's has been able to change with the times. In 2018, we are going for bold and reimagining St Margaret's. Be a part of this bold new vision for the school, as those before you have built the St Margaret's not just of their day, but for the generations of students that followed.

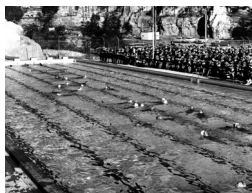


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Eton High School
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Olympic pool

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1975



Avoca

2003



Arts Centre

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Eunice Science and
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