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Circular Letter to the Parents of St Paul's School Students

Dear Parents,

You may be aware of a case now before the Queensland courts arising from the alleged actions of a former St. Paul's School teacher while at the School approximately 20 years ago.

The charges, against a teacher who was at the school in the early 1980's, are concerning for the school community and we are offering counselling for any current or past students concerned by this case.

Our main focus at such times is for the welfare of those former students involved in the case.

The St Paul's School community has successfully dealt with similar issues in recent times displaying a healthy, resilient and caring community spirit. Our key aim is to resolve these matters in a compassionate way in keeping with our Christian ideals. All of us are fully committed to demonstrating the fine reputation for quality student care for which St Paul's is known.

The systems for dealing with complaints of teacher misconduct of this type have been further refined by the Diocese recently and all procedures related to such matters as laid down by the Diocese are in place at St Paul's to respond to any such complaint.

I thank you all for your continued support of our fine School and I look forward to continuing to bring you positive news regarding the many successes which our community is achieving through our commitment to excellence and cooperative support.

Regards,



Margaret Goddard
Head of School