

Statement made by Peter Charles Green re the alleged sexual assault by DFA and DFB on boys within Trinity Grammar School Boarding House.

Friday 11th August 2000

At lunch time I returned from teaching my 9Sc6 class. CLB and REDACTED were in my office. CLB seemed more upset than RED. I asked the boys what their problem was and the boys explained how they had been set upon by older boys in the Boarding House at recess. I asked the boys to write a statement in regard to the incident.

I asked for Kate Pearce, (one of the REDACTED and REDACTED REDAC) to come to my office to counsel the boys and she spent most of Periods 7 & 8 with the boys.

On return from teaching 10Sc during Periods 7 & 8, I discussed the assaults with CLB, RED and Kate Pearce. Kate indicated that CLB had said that 'this has happened around 50 times'. I took this to mean that CLB had been rumbled by boys in the dorms on many occasions over the past three years.

In regard to the statement that 'one of them made a dildo in wood tech and they use that to stick up peoples butts but I haven't seen them do that for awhile and they didn't use it on me today. I took this to mean that the boys had rounded the edges of a large piece of machined wood -- possibly a piece 3 c.m. by 3 c.m long and at least 30 c.m. long to make a long stick. The boys involved do not have good lathe techniques and do not have the opportunity to make a refined piece of wood turning. If the stick had been used to forcibly penetrate a boy's anus, there would have been a lot of damage done to the boy's anus and rectum and he would have been screaming out in pain and fear.

This stick, I believed at the time, would have been more of a phallic symbol than an instrument of torture.

'peoples butts' - I believed referred to boys buttocks - not anus and that the boys might have been poked by the stick in the buttocks during some of the rumbles that occur in the boarding house from time to time.

After 3:20 p.m., I discussed the matter with the Head Master and Rob Scott that:

- the boys involved in the assault on RED would be given a punishment within the boarding house.
- the boys involved in the assault on CLB would be suspended from the Boarding House for a period of time. - CLA, DFC and DFD

The final punishments were to be decided after the boys involved in the assault had been questioned.

I contacted the REDACTED of CLB, REDACTED, and informed me of the assault and asked him to come to the School to meet with me, Rob Scott, Kate Pearce and CLB. We were keen for REDACTED REDACTED to spend time with CLB. (Both of CLB REDACTED when he was in primary school and CLB REDACTED, RED and EAD, are his legal guardians).

I also contacted the REDACTED of REDACTED and informed her of the assault.

During the meeting with REDACTED he explained that CLB had not been happy of late in the boarding house and that he had thought that there might have been a problem though CLB had not confided in REDACTED.

REDACTED took CLB to McDonalds after the meeting.

Mr Scott and I interviewed the boys who had been involved in the assaults on the boys at length in the late afternoon. The boys involved in the assault on CLB were told that they would be suspended from the boarding house from that night until Monday night. The other boys were told that they would be given Boarding House punishments.

DFB and DFA were asked to write a statement in regard to their part in the events that had occurred prior to the 11/8/00. DFB admitted to bullying, pretending to have sex, (I took this to mean poking boys with the stick). DFA admitted to rumbling, serious rumbling, verbal abuse of others and 'poking people with the implement'. The boys were warned about the

consequences of any repeat of this type of behaviour – suspensions and expulsions. The boys claimed that they did not know where the stick was. The matter was left with Rob Scott to deal with.

Rob Scott contacted the parents of the boys that were suspended.

The next week, Rob Scott told me that DFA had written a letter of apology.

On the 7th September, I was asked to go to the Head Master's office and a meeting with Paul Mayne, Kate Pearce, Rob Scott and Milton Cujes had already started. I was shown a letter from Kate Pearce to the Head Master and copies of statements written by CLA, REDACT and REDACT REDACTE. It was decided by the meeting to inform DOCS of the alleged