

CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

I have just spoken to Stan Kurre and told him that I had a confidential and sensitive matter to discuss with him relating to his first year in the School in 1965, and that at present the School was dealing with allegations made by a 1965 Year 7 student, John Williams. John Williams claims he was assaulted in 1965 by a Year 12 student,^{CU}

Stan immediately said that he remembered John Williams but couldn't place ^{CU} at all. I mentioned to Stan that John Williams had an older brother who died and Stan remembered that, in fact he recalled that a music prize was started in that year, the Williams Music Prize. I mentioned that John Williams was taken out of the School in 1968. Stan remembered that but couldn't remember the reason why. He remembered the father was a doctor. Stan told me he never had heard any suggestions at all about anything of a sexual nature being the reason for the removal.

Stan said that in 1965 he would have been very sensitive to those sorts of problems as he had just arrived from Caulfield Grammar where a teacher at that school had interfered with a student. Stan believes he would have picked up signs from staff or he would have heard from boys about an incident like this because boys told him all sorts of things. He can recall that Williams "was unusual". He also believes Tommy Cuff would have been right on to that sort of thing.

I explained to Stan that I wanted to let him know because there was a chance that this might go to the press in a week or two and didn't want him to be surprised in case somebody realised that he was Headmaster in that first year and gave him a ring.

Stan thanked me for briefing him on the matter.

This report is dated 9.30pm on Wednesday 4 June 2003.

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