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Parents & Guardians
Mary MacKillop Catholic Community Primary School

Dear Parents and Guardians

Following the Bishops' decision to incorporate Catholic education in Western Australia earlier this year, I am pleased to inform you the new company is now registered as Catholic Education Western Australia Limited (CEWA Ltd). CEWA Ltd will commence operation from 1 January 2020, with the four diocesan Bishops as the owners, who in turn will appoint a Board of Commissioners to provide strategic governance of the system.

The Bishops have continuously improved the governance of Catholic education in WA, starting 50 years ago when they agreed to combine their four dioceses under the governance of the Catholic Education Commission of Western Australia (CECWA). Incorporation ensures your child and our school community continue to benefit from membership of a system of 76,000 students enrolled in 163 schools. The CECWA will cease its governance on 31 December 2019 and the Bishops will announce the full membership of the new CEWA Ltd Board of Commissioners in due course.

Our school will become part of CEWA Ltd on 1 January 2020. I ask you to join me in welcoming and supporting our move to a more contemporary governance structure. As in all the Bishops' decisions, it is made in the best interests of our students in their community of faith. The change in governance will have minimal effect on the operations of our school.

This letter serves to notify you that the rights and obligations under your enrolment agreement and other laws will transfer to CEWA Ltd from 1 January 2020.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns you may have in relation to this change.

Thank you for your continued support of our school and I wish you and your family a blessed and safe Christmas Season.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'L. Bechelli'.

Laurie Bechelli
PRINCIPAL