

Dear Daramalan College Alumni,

Looking back over the start of the year, it has certainly been a very busy semester! The pages of the College calendar are full of activities and our students have been busy with all the events they have come to enjoy – sports carnivals, camps, excursions, music performances and the Theatre Company's Festival of Performance.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our alumni who have volunteered their time in support of our ever-growing co-curricular programmes and also those who attended the Trivia Night held in May.

As a community we have celebrated many special events in Semester 1, including our Opening Mass, Easter liturgy, ANZAC Day commemoration, and most recently Sacred Heart Day. We were pleased to be able to share this special event with College Leaders from our closest MSC school, Chevalier College.

As the semester draws to a close, I am asking members of our community to consider making a donation to the Daramalan College Scholarship Fund. All donations, irrespective of size, will make a meaningful contribution to assist young people who would not otherwise be able to attend Daramalan College due to financial hardship.

During each year at the beginning of Term 3, applications for our annual scholarships open, providing financial assistance to students whose families are experiencing significant financial need. Since 2008, the Scholarship Fund has supported an average of 5 students each year and we are aiming to increase this level of support in 2025 with your help. Darlena Tran (2013) has shared with us the impact of receiving a scholarship during her time as a student at Daramalan. You can read Darlena's story at https://alumni.daramalan.com.au/dalena-tran-2013/

If you are able to make a contribution before 30 June, you will receive a tax benefit this financial year. Tax deductible contributions can be made in the following ways:

1. **Direct transfer** to the Scholarship Fund account:

Daramalan Scholarship Fund BSB 062786 A/c 00029206

Reference: Please include your surname and email the College

Accountant rachael.axford@daramalan.act.edu.au for a tax-deductible receipt

- 2. **Qkr! app:** For current families familiar with Qkr! for excursion and sports payments, you can also contribute to the Scholarship Fund.
 - Simply log in, select a profile and the 'Donations' category.
 - Enter the amount you wish to donate and choose 'Checkout', where you can select your payment method.
 - If you have enabled auto receipts, a receipt will be emailed to you, otherwise select the 'View Receipt' button and the email option to receive a receipt.
- 3. **Phone:** Please contact our office on 6245 6300 to make a payment by credit card over the phone.

If you would like to arrange an **ongoing pledge**, please contact the College Accountant rachael.axford@daramalan.act.edu.au for further details.

Whether you are able to contribute at this time or not, thank you for your ongoing support of the Daramalan College Community.

Rachel Davies

Principal

(on behalf of the Daramalan College Board Community Engagement Committee and Scholarship Fund)