

### VISION STATEMENT

AIS NZ equips member schools to make an increasingly distinctive and influential contribution to Special Character education in New Zealand.

### MISSION STATEMENT

Through exemplary representation, networking, support and stewardship AIS NZ will provide a service to member schools, in particular Proprietors, Boards, Principals and Bursars enabling enhancement of Special Character and positioning amongst New Zealand's most influential schools.

## 2020 MID-YEAR NEWSLETTER

Greetings all

So much has happened since the Term 1 Newsletter, and **SO MUCH** has been said, it is hard to know what to add except to say we have all been impacted whether we know it or not and it is likely that the rhythms of our work have as well. The Association is still here to serve and serve we will!



### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This was facilitated by way of an online survey. Thank you so much to Members Schools who completed the Survey. There was an 82% turnout! Well done! Follow this link to read [Draft AGM Minutes](#)



#### Executive Members June 2020 to June 2022

**President/Chairperson** Mr Warren Peat

**Treasurer** Mr Rob Blackett

#### Executive

Rosalie McFarlane

Shaun Brooker

Chris Johnston

Janet Molloy



**Congratulations and Welcome to President/Chairperson – Mr Warren Peat –** CEO, NZ Christian Proprietors' Trust and KingsWay Trust.

Warren joined the Executive of AIS NZ in 2017 and for the past two years has served on the APIS Executive, working closely with Chair, Vaughan Darby, and CEO Mark Larson to support the important work that APIS does in representing the particular needs of the integrated sector with both the Minister and Ministry on a regular basis.



## MESSAGE FROM NEWLY APPOINTED CHAIRPERSON – WARREN PEAT

Kia ora koutou

Thank you for the confidence and support that you have shown for me to fill the role of Chair/President of AIS NZ for the next two years.

I look forward to serving you and the organisation as we represent the breadth of the non-catholic integrated School sector, our particular aspirations and ensure that our schools are heard alongside our state School counterparts in all relevant discussions and decisions.

Congratulations to the team elected to the Executive, most for a further period of service, with a warm welcome to Shaun Brooker who joins the team. Two of this group will join me on the APIS Executive as we combine with NZ Catholic Education Office to form that peak body who have regular interaction with both the Ministry and (on occasion) the Minister of Education in what is a very healthy and robust relationship.

It would be remiss of me not to recognise the leadership and contribution of Vaughan Darby to the AIS NZ organisation. This will be the first time since its inception that his name, personality and sense of humour will not be seen or heard at our gatherings and this will be greatly missed. We extend our grateful thanks to Vaughan for his service and passion for special character, state-integrated education in New Zealand and take this opportunity to wish him and his ever-patient wife Mary every happiness as they take just one step back towards a blissful retirement in the far north.

## INTRODUCING NEWLY ELECTED EXECUTIVE MEMBER – SHAUN BROOKER



I am currently the Principal at Hamilton Christian School and the Chair for the New Zealand Association for Christian Schools. In the past I have held Principal and leadership positions in several State Integrated schools in NZ and have been both a trustee and the Chairperson for the New Zealand Christian Proprietors' Trust.

My passion for integrated education and desire to be on the AIS executive is the preservation of Special Character and a drive for ongoing equity of resourcing for State Integrated schools as received by state schools. Something that is specifically lacking at the time of a new school becoming integrated.

I am a passionate educator and leader. I have been blessed to have had many of my thoughts published in Education magazines, newspapers, podcasts and online blogs in New Zealand, Australia and in the USA.

I have learnt much that I believe I can contribute to this association through being involved in several boards including state integrated schools, tertiary education and an advisory board for Apple in South East Asia.

## REPRESENTATIVES TO ASSOCIATION OF PROPRIETORS OF INTEGRATED SCHOOLS (APIS) EXECUTIVE

Warren Peat appointed by virtue of being President/Chairperson. The Incoming Executive has had its first meeting by ZOOM and elected Rosalie McFarlane and Rob Blackett to represent AIS NZ on the APIS Executive.

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## SUBSCRIPTIONS

The 2020 AGM voted to keep subscription levels at the current level - \$1.00 per student (including international students) plus gst.

Subscriptions have been invoiced and posted on 20<sup>th</sup> July to Member Schools. Also included is a Membership Information form. Please take 5 minutes to complete and return this form to us so that we have accurate information for our Member School contact groups. Thank you.

## AIS NZ ANNUAL WORK PLAN AND BUDGET POST COVID-19

The outgoing Executive approved a revised Work Plan and Budget taking into account the effect of COVID-19 for 2020 at least. The incoming Executive have reviewed this. The key points to note are:

- Work closely with the incoming APIS Chief Executive Officer (Dr Kevin Shore) and the new APIS Executive Chairperson (Jenny Gordon) to maintain and enhance the already excellent working relationship that exists between AIS NZ and APIS.

Paul Ferris is expected to begin handing over to Dr Kevin Shore in September and a careful transition process has been planned.

### Welcome to Dr Kevin Shore

Mark Larson has begun to induct Dr Shore into the AIS NZ “world” and is confident of developing an excellent working relationship. Follow this link to read the announcement of Dr Shore’s appointment. [Appointment of Dr Kevin Shore](#)

- Repurpose the Business Managers Conference – September 3rd/4<sup>th</sup> Holiday Inn Hotel Auckland Airport.
- Undertake an enhanced Road Trip in the North Island early July to early August to give Mark the opportunity to get to face-to-face in schools in a year when the June Conference has been cancelled. Itinerary:
  - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Kaitaia Abundant Life School
  - Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – Hamilton Christian School ) *Evenings for*
  - Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July – Woodford House, Hastings ) *Principals, BoT,*
  - Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August – Masterton ) *Chairs and*
  - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August – Nga Tawa Diocesan School, Marton ) *Proprietors*
  - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August – Palmerston North
- Develop Professional Learning Groups for new Principals to support them in understanding the integrated sector.
- Develop Trustees Handbook for AIS NZ Member Schools modelled on the updated Catholic version and designed as a companion to the Proprietors’ Handbook.

## MAINTENANCE FUNDING DISCUSSIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENT

On 1 December 2019 the Government announced its decision to provide approximately \$400 million in funding towards school property projects. Although the policy details have not yet been provided to the Association of Proprietors of Integrated Schools (APIS), it understands from news reports that the money is intended for works including classroom upgrades, replacement of roofing and guttering, upgrading of drainage systems, the installation of energy-efficient lighting

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and heating, and the resurfacing of outdoor areas. State integrated schools have been excluded from this scheme.

Paul Ferris and his team have been working very hard to ensure a strong case is made to the government to be included in a one-off maintenance top up announced by the government just before Christmas. Negotiations continue between APIS and the government on this matter.

## SMALL AND REMOTE SCHOOLS PROGRAMME

Small and remote State Integrated schools are able to “piggyback” on a Ministry initiative to bring small and remote schools up to the 2030 quality standards announced by the Ministry during 2019. Follow this link to read about [Small and Remote Schools Project](#). Some AIS NZ Member Schools are eligible. Follow this link to read the list.

## FUNDING FOR LEARNING SUPPORT SPACES

During lockdown APIS and the Ministry of Education briefed Proprietors on the process for accessing funding for the provision of Learning Support Spaces. Follow this link to read about [ACTION REQUIRED](#)

## EXECUTIVE MEETING DATES 2020

- 22<sup>nd</sup> September
- 16<sup>th</sup> October – **STRATEGIC PLANNING DAY**

## APIS/AIS NZ BUSINESS MANAGERS’ CONFERENCE – THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> /FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER – BRENTWOOD HOTEL, KILBIRNIE, WELLINGTON

The Association of Proprietors of Integrated Schools and the Association of Integrated Schools NZ are delighted to inform you that the Business Managers Conference scheduled for 2020 is **GOING AHEAD – THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup>/FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**. Thank you to all Conference delegates from previous years who responded to my 2<sup>nd</sup> July email.

Follow this link to [REGISTER NOW!](#)

Check out the [Draft Programme](#)

**Registration (Dinner included):** \$250.00

**Registration (Dinner not included):** \$200.00

**Accommodation (Room Rate – per night):** \$149.50

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Chief Executive Officer

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