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## **2017 NEWSLETTER**

**Hello Everyone,**

**As I always say, another year has gone and it has been a good one, though a quiet one.**

**At the end of last year, Molly indicated her wish to stand down from her position as Treasurer of the Old Girls after 12 years of wonderful service and help to me. Pat Pepper has taken Molly's place - in thanking Molly for everything she has done for me, it was lovely to welcome Pat. Thank you, Molly.**

**This year we welcomed Mr Darren Fleming and his wife Wendy as Headmaster to our School and were thrilled when Darren was able to join us for our March luncheon. For the Gabes Old Girls to hear how our School is progressing and to meet folk from the School is most important. Even though we are many miles away, that link to our School is as strong as ever. In saying that, through the generosity of the Old Girls in keeping our bank balance in a comfortable position, we were able to present Darren with a cheque for \$ 200 for the Junior School, which I know will be put to good use.**

**At our August lunch, once again we welcomed Darren, this time with his delightful wife Wendy – it was a real**

**thrill to have Wendy with us. Prior to the lunch, I had read in the Phoenix Rising of the girls from the Z - Club and their project with the Days for Girls. What a wonderful project and on behalf of the Gabes Brisbane Old Girls, who were totally supportive of this project, I presented Wendy with a cheque for \$ 370. Our revenue is gained by our raffles and the generosity of those attending our lunches, but the above donation, was through the generosity of the old girls present, putting their hands in their pockets. What a wonderful group of Gabes girls you all are, and again I thank you all so much.**

**At the beginning of the year, I was advised that the Theodore Club was closing, so we had to find a new venue very quickly. With thanks to Molly and Pat, we walked Brisbane and eventually found the Melange Café at Parklands. While it is different, the staff has been obliging, the view is glorious and the transport issue is a winner - so easy to get to by car, train and bus. It appears that everyone is happy with the venue - Soooo**

**We will continue to have our lunches at the Melange Café**

**1 Parklands Boulevard**

**Roma Street Parklands. 3229 7777**



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Dates for 2017 are as follows

**March Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> 2017**  
**August Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> 2017**  
**November Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> 2017**

Time is the same - 11.30 am for 12 noon

As always, the November lunch will be our Christmas lunch and numbers are needed for catering. As in the past a small donation for the school or museum instead of a gift would be appreciated.

Mother Eunice and the Sisters of the SSA have again invited the Northern Old Girls to join them for afternoon tea. Always a great afternoon. As of earlier this year, the Sisters have moved to Symes Grove and their address is now

Symes Grove  
Units 30 – 31  
333 Handford Road  
TAIGUM 4018

The date for our afternoon will be

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2017**  
**Time 2.00pm**

As always, a plate of goodies would be appreciated.

The Museum / Archives is going from strength to strength with Howard and his band of helpers from the MCG - Museum Care Group - doing a wonderful

job. You would have read in the last Servire Regnare where The Past Students Association has a new committee. I thank Howard and his Executive for the hard and dedicated work over the years and wish the new Executive every best wish. The wonderful Museum / Archive building, of which we are all so proud and grateful for, is truly testament of the vision that Howard had.

When you are spring cleaning and find bits and pieces from your School days, if you would like to donate them to the Museum, they would be gratefully accepted. It is those "bits and pieces" that make a Museum and help to preserve our precious history.

In closing, once again thank you all for your support during the year – these gatherings would not happen without the support and loyalty of you all, and we look forward to our lunches in 2017.

May we wish you and yours a Happy and Holy Christmas and every best wish for the New Year.

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