

## A COMMUNITY OF Forward thinkers

## An open letter to the Indooroopilly State High School Community

Dear Current and Former Indro High Students, Alumni, Staff, Parents and Community,

In 1954, Indooroopilly State High School opened for the first time welcoming 167 students and 6 staff. In 2024, there are 2849 students supported by 235 teaching and 115 support staff. In between, thousands of students, staff and parents have built connections to Indro High.

Whether you identify with the original motto "Non sine pulvere palma", the widely-known phrase "A community of forward thinkers", or Indro's recently adopted vision "Inspiring students to achieve their personal best", what unites us over the decades is our connection to an amazing school. We all share the knowledge that there is something unique that sets Indro apart.

On Friday 11 October 2024 from 3:30pm – 8:45pm the Indooroopilly SHS Parents and Citizens' Association, supported by the school, is holding a 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event. You're invited to join us at this event for rides, a laser light show, food, stalls, entertainment, school history and memorabilia, school tours and social gatherings.

We know there are pockets of early Indro Alumni out there who meet up from time to time and hold class reunions. Why not "gather up your Indro people" and reconnect at the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary? If you're a more recent graduate, grab a few of your classmates and catch up at the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event. Some of your teachers will be there.

There are lots of teaching and support staff who fondly remember their time working at Indro High. We invite you back to the school in its 70<sup>th</sup> year to reconnect with each other and with those of us still working here. Some of your former students will be here. They will be keen to catch up with you as well.

To current Indro students, stay after the assembly on 11 October to have fun with rides, food and entertainment. Get involved in your Connect classes to learn about Indro's history and to contribute to the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary time capsule. Be part of your school; it has a history stretching back 70 years. You are now also part of that history.

Indooroopilly State High School is a rich, complex and important tapestry of people, events, stories and legacies dating back 70 years. As part of our 70<sup>th</sup> celebration, we want to unearth, record and re-tell these stories. Do you have your own Indro story, piece of school history or memorabilia that forms part of your connection to Indro High? If you do, please take a moment to share your memory, or even just a 70<sup>th</sup> birthday "shout out" message for our commemorative Facebook album: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/3b8m8pvm">https://tinyurl.com/3b8m8pvm</a>.

This letter is an open invitation for you to connect with your school and its community in its 70<sup>th</sup> year. We need your help to share this letter and raise awareness about the 70<sup>th</sup>. Please pass this letter on to anyone you can think of who should see it. Spread the word. Help us reconnect our Indro Community through the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations.

What's your Indro story? Why not join us to share your Indro story in your school's 70th year?

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Executive Principal

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Deputy Principal - 70th Anniversary









