



## ST PAUL'S COLLEGE FOUNDATION

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This year we celebrate **170 years of St Paul's College** — a milestone that has prompted reflection on the community that sustains the College, and the part each of us plays in carrying it forward.

In March, the 2026 Union Reunion brought together generations of the St Paul's community, with freshers spanning from 1952 to 2026. It was an evening of warmth, laughter, and recognition — of friendships that have endured, and of a shared experience that, remarkably, remains much the same. What was most evident was this: **the strength of St Paul's has always rested on those who came before, and on those who continue to support the life of the College.**

That quiet continuity lies at the heart of the Pauline ethos — that with privilege comes the responsibility to give back. **Each generation has benefited from the generosity of the last, and the Foundation exists to ensure that this tradition endures** — supporting scholarships and, through the continued generosity of our community, maintaining our heritage buildings and enhancing the facilities that underpin the exceptional experience of residence at St Paul's College.

**The founders built the College in 1856.**

**The Foundation's founders secured its future in 1977.**

Today, each generation continues to build on the generosity of the last — ensuring that the St Paul's experience remains available to talented students for generations to come.

This year, St Paul's welcomed **120 freshers from 70 different schools**, bringing together a remarkable range of backgrounds, talents, and experiences within the College community. Academically, 2025 saw the strongest results in the College's history, with more than **59 per cent of students achieving Distinction or High Distinction averages**. The College's postgraduate community also continued to flourish, with **strong performances from MD, PhD, and research students** across a range of disciplines. Together, these achievements are a testament to the culture of opportunity and excellence that donor support helps sustain.

The College has undertaken **significant work to clarify and strengthen the scholarship programme — both historic and newly established** — ensuring that each award is clearly articulated and aligned with the College's priorities. This work reflects the generosity of our donors, making more visible the impact of their support and the opportunities it creates for students. We invite you to explore the full range of scholarships now outlined on our website at [www.stpauls.edu.au/scholarships](http://www.stpauls.edu.au/scholarships).

The impact of this support is considerable. Last year, **the Foundation supported more than half of all scholarships at St Paul's**, and since the first Foundation Scholars were named in 1983, more than 600 scholarships have been awarded. This support has been made possible by more than 2,000 members of the St Paul's community who have contributed to the Foundation.

Many of the Foundation's most significant gifts have come through **bequests, reflecting the lifelong connection Paulines feel to the College**. Those who choose to remember St Paul's in this way join a long tradition of quiet, decisive generosity — the kind that shapes institutions for generations.

**Regular monthly or annual giving** is one of the most effective ways to support the Foundation, providing reliable income for scholarships, student support, and facilities. We greatly appreciate these considered contributions, made consistently.

As the end of the financial year approaches, we invite you to take your place in this continuing story and consider supporting this important work in a way that reflects **the tradition of generosity that has shaped the College**.

**Every gift is an investment in opportunity and excellence.**

If you would like to discuss a specific impact for your gift, or are considering a bequest, we would be very glad to speak with you. Please contact us at [giving@stpauls.edu.au](mailto:giving@stpauls.edu.au) or on (02) 9550 7473.

Yours sincerely,



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