



# NEWMAN NEWS



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OUT OF SHADOWS INTO TRUTH



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### A CONVERSATION WITH DALE AHLQUIST



Monday 4th of  
November

We are honoured to be hosting an evening with Dale Ahlquist, President of the American Chesterton Society and the Chesterton Schools Network in the USA. In just over 10 years, the Chesterton Schools Network has grown to 77 classical schools! We will share ticketing and event information in the near future.

Welcome to our third issue of *Newman News*! It has been a significant few months for us, with some major milestones achieved as we've flown into the second half of 2024. We have:

- ✓ Celebrated the official launch of Newman College in July.
- ✓ Opened our Expressions of Interest in Enrolment.
- ✓ Achieved DGR/tax-deductible status through the establishment of our building fund.
- ✓ Submitted our Development Application to the Brisbane City Council for our primary school site in Tarragindi.

Danny & Leila Abdallah at the SJHNC Launch





# COLLEGE UPDATES

## SUBMITTING OUR DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

Two weeks ago we submitted our Development Application to the Brisbane City Council for the site of our primary school in Tarragindi. This has been the work of many months of extensive consultation with architects, town planners, and engineers. You can make a positive comment in support of our application here: <http://bit.ly/4dYS63F>

We have an ambitious vision for a beautiful campus that embodies a distinctly Australian expression of our classical ethos and Western heritage.

It is exciting to see this vision for St John Henry Newman College's primary school campus begin to come alive, through beautiful renders of our Stage One and Two development like the one below!

*Artist render of St John Henry Newman College Primary School, from Messines Ridge Rd*



## ENROL A CHILD AT NEWMAN COLLEGE

We have already received significant interest in enrolment since July, so thank you to everyone who has submitted their Expression of Interest forms!

Smaller class sizes play an important role in Newman College's classical ethos, which means limited enrolment numbers in each year group. These limited spaces are already filling quickly, so we strongly encourage you to submit an Expression of Interest form as soon as you can, particularly for 2026 and 2027 enrolments. We will be assessing applications in the order we receive them.



**Is your child still a few years away from enrolment?** It's never too early to submit an EOI – we've already received Expressions of Interest for every year from 2026 to 2032! Early expressions of interest will not only help lock in your child's enrolment, but they are also a significant help to us. Projected numbers play a very important role in our future planning and assists us in securing the essential funding we need for the development of our school.

Expression of Interest in Enrolment forms can be requested by emailing [sophia.shogren@newmancollege.qld.edu.au](mailto:sophia.shogren@newmancollege.qld.edu.au), and the completed form submitted via return email.



# THE OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN COLLEGE

On the 11th of July, the feast of St Benedict, we were delighted to host 300+ guests, some even travelling from interstate, for the official launch of St John Henry Newman College.

One of the evening's highlights was hearing Danny and Leila Abdallah share their family's deeply moving story of faith, grace, and forgiveness. It was a privilege to host them as our guest speakers, and to also hear from our founding Principal, Kenneth Crowther, who inspired the crowd with a detailed vision of Newman College's future.

Founding Principal Kenneth Crowther at the SJHNC Launch



The Abdallah family at the SJHNC Launch



## SAINT JOHN HENRY NEWMAN (1801-1890)

We are fast approaching the feast of our patron, Saint John Henry Newman, which we will celebrate on the 9th October.

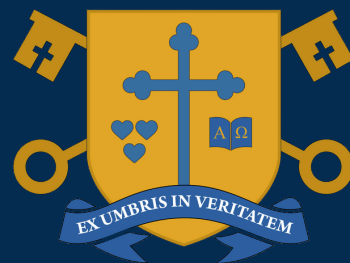
When thinking about the patron saint of our new school, Saint John Henry Newman was an immediate consideration. Living through most of the 19th Century, Newman was a convert to Catholicism after starting his clerical life as an Anglican priest. He was received into the Catholic Church in 1845, becoming a cardinal in 1879 and was a major figure involved in starting the Catholic University of Ireland, about which his book *The Idea of a University* is written. As such, he is a figure often associated with education, particularly the Catholic liberal education that forms the foundation of our educational philosophy.



While he is immensely quotable, one of the quotes that has shaped the formation of our school is: **"Though the useful is not always good, the good is always useful"**. The school's motto is inspired by the inscription on Newman's gravestone. Ex Umbris In Veritatem, meaning 'out of shadows into truth' connects to the classical tradition through imagery of Plato's Cave; to Newman's own conversation story; and to the journey of all God's people, to salvation and the beatific vision.

*Saint John Henry Newman, Pray for Us*

# SUPPORTING NEWMAN COLLEGE



"St John Henry Newman College offers a model of education that is a beacon of hope in Australia's educational landscape: a classical education in the liberal arts tradition. Newman College will not only foster faith, wisdom and virtue in its students, it seeks to instill a life-long love of learning in pursuit of the true, the good, and the beautiful. I wholeheartedly support the work of this school, and I believe it will become a model for educational renewal across our country."

*Dr Bella d'Abrera*

*Director, Foundations of Western Civilisation Program  
Institute of Public Affairs*

**Our school is only possible with the support of the community, parents, and grandparents that believe in our mission at Newman College.**

Thank the donors whose generosity to-date have made the establishment of St John Henry Newman College possible. The vision of our school can only come to fruition through the generosity of our supporters. As a registered charity with DGR status, we can receive tax-deductible donations through our online donation portal or by direct transfer to our bank account.

**You can become a regular giver or make a one-time donation on our website at the following link:**

[www.newmancollege.qld.edu.au/donate](http://www.newmancollege.qld.edu.au/donate)

**Alternatively, you can donate to our College by making a direct transfer to the following account:**

**Name:** St John Henry Newman College Ltd

**BSB:** 064 000

**Account Number:** 1654 5825

**Reference:** *Your Name*

*\*Donations over \$2 to St John Henry Newman College's Building Fund are tax-deductible in Australia.*

## What is your legacy?

Would you consider leaving a bequest to St John Henry Newman College in your Will? A gift in your Will is a powerful investment, ensuring our School can continue to form virtuous, enquiring, and faithful young people for generations to come.

If you are interested and would like a bequest brochure, or have any questions, please contact Sophia Shogren at [sophia.shogren@newmancollege.qld.edu.au](mailto:sophia.shogren@newmancollege.qld.edu.au) or call 0449 996 243.

