



# Board Communiqué

Meeting of 11 May 2016

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## Independent Public School Review

Every three years Independent Public Schools undergo an external independent review. Information about the IPS review is available from the Department of Education Services website – [www.des.wa.gov.au/sc\\_hooleducation](http://www.des.wa.gov.au/sc_hooleducation).

Kalamunda's last IPS review was in 2013. The report and outcomes are available on the School website under 'publications'.

As has been mentioned in previous Board Communiqués the next review is this year, and is in fact, taking place between 20 June to 22 June 2016.

The purpose of the IPS review is to confirm that Kalamunda is meeting

our targets and agreed responsibilities.

The review provides assurance to parents and Government that Kalamunda, as an IPS school, is being well run and the most appropriate education for the students is being provided.

The review considers the school's self assessment material

and verifies the conclusions reached by the School. The independent reviewers may:

- commend excellence in relation to standards of achievement and improvements made; and
- recommend areas for improvement.



## IPS Review major focus for Board

The IPS reviewers require number documents to enable them to review all aspects of the School including student outcomes, school administration and School Board oversight of the school's operations.

Given the importance of the IPS review the major focus for the last few board meetings has been reviewing and endorsing the material to be provided to the IPS reviewers. The final material was endorsed at the 11 May 2016 meeting.

## School finances and Parent's contributions

The Board reviewed the school's funding for 2016 which included Parent's school contribution and charges.

Encouragingly, parent contributions reached 50% of the total budget

which is a great outcome.

In addition payment of optional charges (e.g. School Chaplain, P&C contribution, etc) has reached 30%.

The Board noted the promising payment

rates towards the target rate of 90%.

The payments are important to ensure students receive high quality resources, equipment and software.

*"School contributions and charges collected has reached 50% - payment of the charges are important to ensure students receive high quality resources"*

**KALAMUNDA**  
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL



AN INDEPENDENT PUBLIC SCHOOL

### School values:

- Learning
- Respect
- Resilience
- Pride
- Community

## IPS review documents

The final suite of documents for the IPS review were endorsed and includes:

- Delivery and Performance Agreement
- 2014 – 2016 Business Plan

- School self-assessment report
- 2013, 2014 and 2015 Annual reports
- Student Achievement Targets – Monitoring Tool
- Workforce Plan and Review.

- Focus Areas and Operational Strategies – Monitoring Tool
- School Board, overview, structure, procedures and minutes.
- Hills Learning Precinct Cluster Review.

The Board noted that the suite of documents provided a comprehensive view of Kalamunda's achievements and clear picture of the school's future focus.

## Senior school shirt

The Board inspected the samples of the proposed Senior School shirts.

There are two styles, one being a mid blue polo with dark blue

panels and school crest; and the second a mid blue button up shirt with school crest.

The two styles will be displayed to enable students to vote on the

preferred style.

Following the student vote the Board will take the final decision to include the senior shirt as part of the approved school uniform.

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## Next KSHS Board meetings

The next board meetings have been scheduled for:

- 8 June 2016