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Dear Annesley Community,

On behalf of the College Council, I am delighted to inform you that Jo Rossiter has accepted our invitation to become the next Principal of Annesley Junior School.

An extensive search, led by Hender Consulting, attracted a very impressive pool of highly qualified applicants from South Australia, interstate and overseas, proving without doubt that Annesley is a highly regarded teaching and learning environment. Following this search and a comprehensive interview process, Jo was the unanimous choice to lead Annesley into the future.

A highly qualified educator and leader, Jo gained valuable experience in Canberra, New Zealand and outback South Australia before returning to Adelaide with her family in 2012. Since that time, Jo has become an integral part of the Annesley Junior School community as a teacher and more recently, in the role of Director of Primary Years.

As part of the senior leadership team, Jo has played a critical role in the development of the innovative, strength-based learning strategies that have cemented Annesley as a leader in primary education. She is a strong advocate for our experiential and entrepreneurial learning programs that form the foundation of the future-focused, personalised education environment for which we are known.

Jo is also a highly regarded workshop leader and school visit team leader for the International Baccalaureate Organisation in the Asia Pacific Region, and has been an executive member of the PYP SA/NT Network.

In our 120th year, as an Annesley Old Scholar and current parent, Jo brings a unique perspective and a strong appreciation for the values and history of Annesley to the role of Principal. Her collaborative, approachable and conscientious leadership style positions Jo well to lead Annesley as we enter our next strategic phase.

On accepting the appointment, Jo said, "It is an honour to be given the opportunity to serve the Annesley Community as Principal to continue the vision of our School. We have an exceptional team of educators who are providing outstanding, progressive education for our young learners, with a clear focus on equipping them with the skills they need to find a sense of belonging and create impact in our world."

As she is presently Acting Principal, Council is pleased to make the effective appointment date 1 September 2022. We will shortly commence an external recruitment process to appoint a Director of Primary to fill Jo's previous role.

I know you will join with me in congratulating and welcoming Jo as Principal of Annesley Junior School

Regards,



Bruce Spangler AM
Chair of Council

