

## Truganina College - School Council Report – August 2020

As the sun was setting on another successful day at the College, School Council was meeting to continue their work in strengthening community confidence in our College. One of the objectives of School Council is to take into account views of the school community for the purpose of making decisions in the best interest of our students and the College.

School Council welcomed Gee Bilal as a co-opted Community Member. Gee is currently working as the Area Leader of Youth Support and Development at Wyndham City Council. She is passionate about wellbeing and inclusivity to education and employment for young people. Over the last 18 years, Gee has developed programs for young people and provided counselling support, worked in higher education as a trainer and program manager, the drug and alcohol sector and child protection.

Gee is passionate about youth and family advocacy and believes strongly in family inclusive practice. Gee explained to us she is very excited and feels privileged to be welcomed into school council with Truganina P-9 College. We are looking forward to Gee's contribution in School Council and seeing how her passion for community engagement grows.

The Student Leaders, Bhupali Pylla and Charlie Hickey spoke about remote and flexible learning and the helpful feedback being provided by teachers. School Council President, Jagruti Dave thanked all staff for their diligence and high level application during Remote and Flexible Learning. Many parents are saying thank you. Students and families are happy and thankful for the learning opportunities using WebEx.

School Council raised questions about the number of enrolments for Foundation Students in 2021. School Council are encouraging all families and the Truganina Community to remind families with children starting Foundation in 2021 to enrol now and make contact with the Truganina College Administration Office on 9368 9800.

Curriculum Days for 2021 were recommended by Justine Ryan, Assistant Principal leading Adult Learning. School Council endorsed the following Curriculum Days for 2021.

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January (Mandatory)**

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May**

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May**

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August**

Due to COVID-19, Ministerial Authorisation has been received to reduce the minimum number of required School Council Meetings for 2020 only, from eight to six meetings. This authorisation recognises the disrupted timing of school council meetings in Term 1 and removes the need for school councils to schedule additional meetings during Terms 3 and 4.

**Nicole O'Brien**  
**Guest to School Council**