



Emmanuel Christian Community School

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Dear Parents, Guardians and Families,

Following the recent announcement of the retirement of Mrs Carol Davis at the end of this year, we are pleased to inform you of the successful appointment of the new Principal.

With the expertise of a recruiting company and the work of the selection committee, the Board was able to select from an excellent group of candidates, the new Principal.

Mr Stephen Bevan has been appointed Principal of Emmanuel Christian Community School, commencing 1 January 2024.



Stephen has fellowshipped at Woodvale Baptist Church since 2005. He is actively involved in children's ministry and leads the AWANA program for children aged 5-16 years. He has been Chaplain of the Kingsway Christian Soccer Association.

He is excited by the opportunity to be able to openly share and live out his faith as part of his day-to-day work at Emmanuel. In his own words: *"I will change from being an educator who is a Christian to a Christian educator."*

Stephen has had a 34-year career with the Education Department of WA, with the past 25 years spent as a school administrator. Beginning in 1990 as a teacher at Mount Barker Primary school, he taught in both city and country schools.

His first Principalship was at Northampton District High School 2001.

He undertook a Principal exchange to Canada in 2013.

He has served at Deputy and Principal level at Mullaloo, Boyare and Madeley schools.

He successfully promoted, applied for and achieved Independent Public School (IPS) status for Tuart Hill Primary School in 2012. He became the Foundation Principal of Grandis Primary School in Banksia Grove in 2018 and leaves from this position to take the role at Emmanuel.

Stephen will begin his service as Principal at Emmanuel Christian Community School on 1 January 2024. He will meet with the Board, the school Leadership Team, the Church and school staff in the coming weeks and will transition into the role alongside Mrs Davis toward the end of term 4.

Please join with us in thanking God for His guidance in the appointment of a Godly and experienced educator and praying for Stephen and his family in the coming months.

Mike Smith
Board Chair

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