



THE GIFT OF A WESLEY EDUCATION





THE GIFT OF EDUCATION...

As a teacher and parent, I readily appreciate the true value of a broad, balanced and academically rigorous education and how it can transform the lives of young people by preparing and enabling them to take full advantage of life after school.

Generations of students have enjoyed and benefited from a Wesley education; I am one of them. The College we know today owes much to the values and vision of our founders and, importantly, the generous support of many through donations, gifts and bequests.

My family has benefitted from this tradition of philanthropy. My father, Neil (OW1957), gained an academic scholarship to attend the Senior School. This made a transformative difference to the ability of my grandparents to send him to Wesley College. It is one of the reasons I attended Wesley College and is one of the reasons I am in my role today.

Making a bequest is one of the simplest ways to support our school. By remembering Wesley College in your Will, you are providing young men and women with the gift of education.

Throughout our history, bequests have impacted on the development of the school in many areas from buildings and facilities to educational programs and initiatives. The truth is that every bequest, irrespective of size, does make a difference – it all helps. I am particularly delighted that so many people have chosen to remember Wesley in their Will with bequests supporting our scholarships program.

Wesley College has offered scholarships and bursaries from the very day the school opened its doors in 1866. For more than 15 decades, thousands of students have enjoyed the gift of a Wesley education as the result of the generosity of donors and bequestors.

I hope you will join me in supporting *The Sapere Aude Bequest Society* and ensure that the gift of a Wesley College education can be enjoyed by future generations.

Nicholas Evans (OW1985)
Principal





MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Wesley College would not be the school it is today without the involvement of passionate and committed supporters who have donated either in their lifetime or through a bequest.

A way of giving back

Gifts in the form of bequests have been vital in the provision of quality academic and sporting facilities, performing and visual arts, and the increasing number of scholarships that are offered to worthy students.

It is this commitment to the future of Wesley College — *a way of giving back* — that lies at the heart of our philanthropic programs.



The Sapere Aude Bequest Society

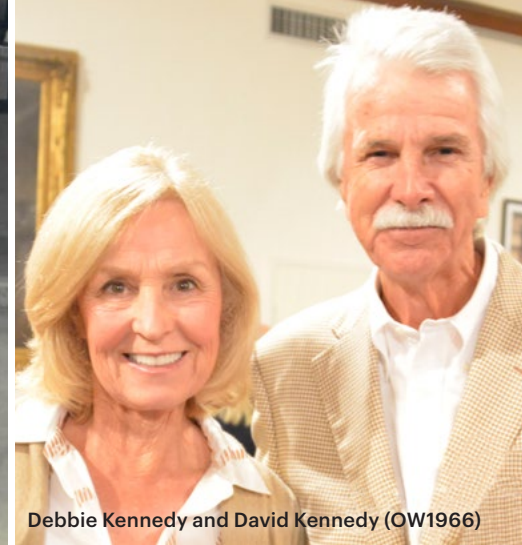
The Sapere Aude Bequest Society was established in 1996 and has been sustained and developed from generation to generation by wonderful, inspiring acts of generosity, large and small. Bequestors are welcomed as members of the Society, and join a great coterie of alumni, current and past parents, staff and friends of the College who have made provision for Wesley in their Will. Every bequest, irrespective of its size, makes a difference.

We acknowledge and honour the pivotal contribution that members play in helping to secure the future of our College. The Society provides an extensive and varied range of activities that reflect the rich educational, cultural and recreational life of the College and the broader community.





Wesley Athletics Team 1941



Debbie Kennedy and David Kennedy (OW1966)



Andrew Joel (OW2014), Jack Joel (OW1949),
Karen Joel and Craig Joel (OW1979)



Founders' Day Dinner 1908

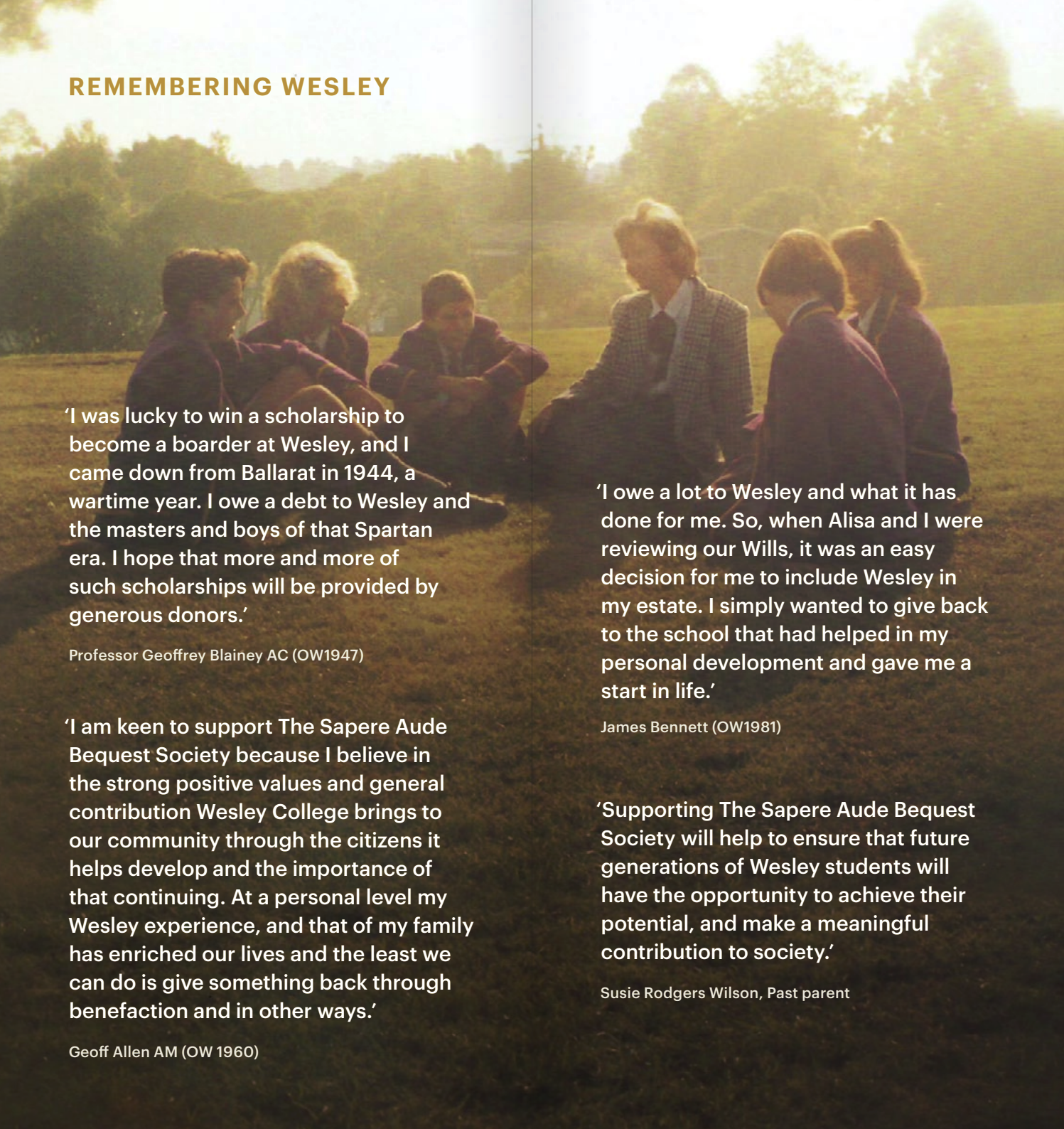


Geoff Allen AM (OW1960) and family



Lucinda Schmidt, Dr Graham Schmidt (OW1951), Nick Schmidt (OW1985),
Rohan Schmidt (OW1985) and Jeremy Schmidt (OW1983)

REMEMBERING WESLEY

A group of people, including men and women, are sitting on a grassy field, engaged in conversation. The scene is set outdoors with trees in the background, and the lighting is warm, suggesting late afternoon or early morning. The people are dressed in casual to semi-formal attire.

'I was lucky to win a scholarship to become a boarder at Wesley, and I came down from Ballarat in 1944, a wartime year. I owe a debt to Wesley and the masters and boys of that Spartan era. I hope that more and more of such scholarships will be provided by generous donors.'

Professor Geoffrey Blainey AC (OW1947)

'I am keen to support The Sapere Aude Bequest Society because I believe in the strong positive values and general contribution Wesley College brings to our community through the citizens it helps develop and the importance of that continuing. At a personal level my Wesley experience, and that of my family has enriched our lives and the least we can do is give something back through benefaction and in other ways.'

Geoff Allen AM (OW 1960)

'I owe a lot to Wesley and what it has done for me. So, when Alisa and I were reviewing our Wills, it was an easy decision for me to include Wesley in my estate. I simply wanted to give back to the school that had helped in my personal development and gave me a start in life.'

James Bennett (OW1981)

'Supporting The Sapere Aude Bequest Society will help to ensure that future generations of Wesley students will have the opportunity to achieve their potential, and make a meaningful contribution to society.'

Susie Rodgers Wilson, Past parent



MAKING A BEQUEST

A bequest is usually a percentage of your estate or a fixed sum.

There are also many other forms of bequests, for example: shares, personal assets, property, works of art and other valuables.

Beneficiary details

If you would like to leave a gift in your Will, the beneficiary should be noted as:

The Wesley College Foundation Ltd
577 St Kilda Rd Melbourne 3004.

Suggested wording for your bequest

We have examples of Will clauses for your consideration available upon request.

Please note that making a bequest does not always entail rewriting your Will. A simple codicil including the Wesley College Foundation Ltd as a beneficiary provides an easy option for you to consider.

Samples of Will clauses and codicil are also available on the Foundation page of the Wesley College website at:

www.wesleycollege.edu.au/bequests

It is strongly recommended that you seek independent legal advice when drafting your Will.



LIVING BEQUESTS

In addition to a traditional bequest, a *living bequest* is a special gift commenced during your lifetime and finalised with a gift in your Will.

An effective pathway

If you are planning on leaving funds for scholarships, it can be a very effective pathway towards achieving your vision to create a better future for a student who would benefit from a Wesley education.

Give now and later

An initial gift of capital or series of gifts to the Wesley College Foundation Ltd may be made now, with the further commitment of additional funds through your Will.

Enjoy the impact

Through a living bequest, you and your family can have the immense pleasure of seeing the impact of your gift in your lifetime.

Additionally, we can provide appropriate recognition of your gift if you wish.



WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU

We encourage you to join us for a confidential and no obligation conversation.

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EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST

Thank you for your interest in considering a bequest to the Wesley College Foundation Ltd.

- Please contact me to discuss including a gift to the Wesley College Foundation Ltd in my Will.
- I wish to confirm my intention of including a gift to the Wesley College Foundation Ltd in my Will.
- I can confirm I have made a gift to the Wesley College Foundation Ltd in my Will which entitles me to membership of The Sapere Aude Bequest Society.

Please complete, detach and send to:
Wesley College Foundation Ltd
577 St Kilda Rd, Melbourne 3004

Alternatively you may scan and email to:
foundation@wesleycollege.edu.au



**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
SUPPORT AND COMMITMENT.
YOUR LEGACY WILL MAKE
A DIFFERENCE.**



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A True Education