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Dear Parents/Carers

Over the last few months, the Board and Leadership of Caloundra Christian College have been planning the strategic improvement and development of our Secondary School, with particular attention to developing high-quality and effective teaching and learning.

To assist us in this process, we engaged Mr Ray Tiller (*Equipping Christian Schools*). Ray has been working with us on some improvement and development projects including:

1. **Developing Classroom Culture to facilitate optimum learning:** We want to ensure that all of our classrooms are orderly and students are on task so that every student can maximise his or her learning. Teachers have been involved in discussions, classroom observations, and then working together to set improved classroom culture standards.
2. **Teacher Skills Development:** In conjunction with the Classroom Culture project, our Middle School teachers are working on a professional skills development program that helps them to identify areas for improvement in their management of classroom culture.

For 2017, we are looking at developing a more comprehensive teacher performance and development program, to ensure that we are able to give our students the most effective teaching and learning strategies and environments.

3. **Developing the leadership of the Secondary School:** As you are probably aware, we have just commenced the process of employing a new Middle School Coordinator. This new position will give focused leadership to develop the culture, curriculum and management of this important part of our College. This appointment will also release Mr Andrew Priaux, Head of Secondary, to give more time to the leadership of our Senior School.

Yours sincerely  
Mr Mark Hodges  
Principal