



# RADFORD COLLEGE

P & F Annual General Meeting  
Thursday 24 February 2011

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## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

1. Welcome to country, welcome to Radford all new families
2. 2010 a remarkable year in the life of the College
  - a. Completion of the BER Project Junior School Stage 2.
  - b. Funding of \$3 million derived from the stimulus package. Cost of project \$3.8m. Four new classrooms, Art/Sci Room, amenities, playground and courtyard gathering place
  - c. Also School Pride funding of around \$100K to assist with Hospitality/Food Science room. This project was completed in February 2010.
  - d. Academic performance of the College in 2010 was truly outstanding by any measure.
    - i. 7% of cohort in top 1%
    - ii. Median ATAR 92
    - iii. Almost 60% received an ATAR of >90.
    - iv. All of this accomplished in a strictly non selective academic entry.
  - e. Strong participation in co-curricular activities: <90% participation rate across the College.
3. Strategic Plan in 2010:
  - a. Survey of all families: better than 70% response rate
  - b. Findings were balanced and elucidated through 4 Focus group sessions, Board Retreat and wide consultation process with Staff and Students
  - c. Resulting Strategic Plan entitled "Think, Connect, Transform", published at 2010 Awards Night
  - d. The Plan sets out six domains for activity. These domains reflect the foundational aims of the College and attempt to set the future in the context of our strong beginning.
  - e. Implementation now begins with Management Teams from within the staff to pursue each of the 6 domains.
4. ICT upgrade
  - a. Work proceeding on infrastructure
  - b. DER Project: approximately 50% spent
  - c. 2011 a further 242 computers to be installed
  - d. iPad Trial versus laptops: survey of staff occurring
  - e. RadNet in its first semester – an important change for the future.
5. Radford at a glance:
  - a. 1620 students
  - b. 180 teaching staff (FTE)
  - c. New classes in Pre K, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 7. Small number of new students in other years
  - d. Considerable change

6. Internal administrative and Educational Leadership Review Process underway
  - a. Arises from growth in the College
  - b. Departure of Head of High School
  - c. Possible changes in Senior School
7. Master Planning
  - a. Senior School
  - b. Secondary Library
  - c. Covered facilities for sport
  - d. Changing nature of classroom practice
  - e. Australian Curriculum
8. Thank you to the P&F for your support in creating a refurbished Lecture Theatre, which is now complete. We hope to continue with the refurbishment program in the coming year, focussing on the Senior School.

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