



DANDENONG RANGES STEINER SCHOOL

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Dear Parents, Friends and Colleagues,

Some of you may be aware that 2020 has been chosen to mark the

### **25th Anniversary of the DRSS!**

We have now been running Kindergarten for 25 years and school for 21:

1992 Playgroup

1995 Kinder

1999 School (Prep)

The College of Teachers and the Publicity & Fund-raising Group are planning and organising the celebrations and we have begun working on a commemorative book of 'stories' of the DRSS. Thus far these have been gleaned from the *News Sheet*, our former journal *Beginnings*, and a previous version of such a book that was begun when the Crystal Brook campus was formally opened.

However we are eager for the book to contain *everyone's* story.

### **Therefore we are inviting you to write your own story.**

The fullness of our history can only be known if as many people as possible contribute from their own perspective. The role that each of us has played has helped to shape what we have become, and we'd like the whole picture to be there, both for our 2020 celebrations and for years to come.

This is an opportunity to say your piece, let us know, or remind us, of the time you were involved, the role/s you played and the significance it has had in both the life of the school and for you personally.

We'd also love to have a photo to include, so that future members of the Community will have a face to put to the story. Or if you have a photo of the school or of an event that was significant for you, we'd love to include it.

To assist you we offer the following prompts, but please don't limit yourself by them, they are simply a guide to encourage you to respond - we really want to hear from you!

- What year/s were you associated with the DRSS?
- In what capacity? (Parent/Volunteer/Employee)
- How were you involved?

- What brought you here?
- What stage of development was the school at?
- What do you recall of its major challenges, achievements etc.?
- Any amusing anecdotes?

Please provide as much detail as you can remember. These stories form a large component of the school's history and we would love to have them recorded before too much more time passes. Even if you think your role was/has been insignificant, we still welcome your contribution.

Newcomers to the school are often curious about its beginnings and it will be wonderful to be able to show them a whole book full of rich stories and not just dry facts and figures.

**Please forward your story directly to me by Friday 27 March.**

If you have any questions about the project please be in touch.

Warm regards,

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**P.S. We would be grateful if you would forward this communication to any past Parents, Friends or Employees that you may be in touch with.**