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Dear Parents,

It is with deep sadness that I inform you that our much loved Founding Pastor and friend, Pastor Rick Zweck died on Monday night. Pastor Rick is the husband of our Head of K-5 Teaching and Learning, Mrs Sue Zweck and father of Prep teacher Mrs Anna Maher, past student Thomas and siblings Michael, Christopher, Jonathon and Kiri.

Pastor Rick was a member of the college planning committee and then Founding Pastor. Pastor Rick shared his love for people and formed strong relationships with many staff, students and parents within our community. He was passionate about sharing God's love for all people and the power of God's grace and love to bring hope into our lives. As Founding Pastor, Pastor Rick played a very important role in the shaping of the culture of Pacific and we give thanks for all that he did and was for the people of this community. In his later years he studied and then led thinking in Lutheran communities across Australia as well as within our community about the importance of Christian reflection and meditation.

We hold his wife Sue, children Michael, Christopher, Jonathon, Kiri, Anna and Thomas, their extended families and family and friends of Rick in our prayers.

Today children and staff have been advised of Pastor Rick's passing and we have prayed for his friends and family. Support has been available and will continue to be available through our College Pastor, Pastor Tim Jarick, Congregational Pastor, Pastor Ray Morris and the College Counsellor, Mrs Annie Williams.

People will respond to grief in a variety of ways. Should you or your child feel the need for support please do not hesitate to contact the college. You may notice that during the next few days your children or a partner could be affected by Pastor Rick's death. I have included some information as an attachment about responding to grief.

Further details about the funeral arrangements will be communicated via email to all families once they have become known.

May God continue to hold Pastor Rick's family and friends and the members of this community in His loving and comforting hands.

Yours sincerely,

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