

30 August 2023

Guiding Statement Impact Review 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Every year the school asks Students, Staff and Parents to complete a stakeholder survey. The findings and actions of these surveys were published to each group. The Parent Survey summary from 2022, can be viewed here. The results of last year's Parent Survey, which had 86 responses, led to changes such external speakers that relate better to students, restart of international trips and parent workshops on youth related issues.

The school has a set of eight Guiding Statements that aim to define what the traits of ACS (International) are and therefore what the school's "spirit" is. These Guiding Statements help keep the move forward in the right direction by providing guidance in decision-making in its day-to-day operations and in its long-term planning. The Guiding Statements fall under the categories below:

Christian Character Student Well-Being Internationalism Staff Community
Student Development Home and Community
Learning and Academic Achievement Physical Environment

The full text of the Guiding Statements can be found on the school website through this link.

To reflect on these Guiding Statements, a review of their impact on students, parents and staff will be carried out over the next couple of weeks. To accomplish this, a community survey has been created that asks for feedback on the areas that the Guiding Statements refer to. The feedback from these surveys will help shape the school's 2023 objectives. Please click on the link below to complete the survey:

PARENT SURVEY 2023

I would encourage you to go through the survey and provide your feedback by **Friday, 15 September**. Students and staff will be completing a similar survey in the same period.

As a Christian school, we must seek God's will for the school before all else. We pray for God's guidance, wisdom and discernment as we enter into this review process. We pray that ACS (International) will continue to serve His purpose and be faithful to the founding mission and principles of the school both now and into the future.

Term 4 commences on Monday 18 September; I wish all students a restful and productive September holiday.

Gavin Kinch Principal