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Tuesday 26 November 2019

### **Vale Geoffrey Norman Handbury AO**

The Geelong Grammar School community remembers Geoff fondly and gratefully as a past parent, past grandparent and an Eminent Member and Governor of the Geelong Grammar Foundation. He leaves an enduring legacy of generosity and kindness, manifest in his munificent support of the School's transformational Positive Education programme, which places student wellbeing at the heart of education.

Along with his late wife Helen, Geoff's leadership enabled the growth of Positive Education throughout Australia and around the world. He was particularly proud of its uptake in rural and regional communities, which had been the focus of so much of his extraordinary philanthropic endeavours. Geoff made a positive difference to the lives of generations of GGS students through his example, and his support of scholarships and Creative Education, as well as the eponymous Handbury Centre for Wellbeing at our Corio Campus.

"His wit, egalitarian spirit and practical wisdom endeared Geoff to all who were fortunate to connect with him," Rebecca Cody, Principal, said.

On behalf of the Geelong Grammar School community, we send our condolences to Geoff's family; his four children, Judy, Matthew, Paddy and Paul, his 13 grandchildren, particularly past students Fiona, Rob, Kate, Deb, Sarah, Christina, Jack, Nick and Will (dec), and 27 great-grandchildren.

***Christus nobis factus Sapientia***  
**Enabling Wisdom**

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