Dear Parents and Caregivers

In 2015 the State Government announced a Voluntary Amalgamations Program for schools and preschools. Schools were invited to look at whether there were prospects for amalgamation with those nearby that would provide opportunities in the best interests of their students.

The Unley High School Council has considered this program, and the infrastructure improvements which it could provide. Significant funding is on offer to support improvements to infrastructure at merged sites. As Unley High School’s capital works plans have not received funding over a number of years, the Unley High School Council is interested in looking for other avenues to continue to upgrade and build 21st Century learning environments for our students.

To this end, and with the knowledge that the broad curriculum choice and range of extra-curricular activities offered at Unley High School are quality options for all students, the Governing Council of Pasadena High School was approached. Both school Councils were asked to consider pursuing a joint Expression of Interest in the Voluntary Amalgamations Program.

On behalf of both schools, an Expression of Interest was recently lodged with the Department for Education and Child Development. The two schools, supported by Departmental officers, will now spend some months looking at the advantages that could be gained for students, and consulting with school communities before any option is presented for consideration.

We look forward to updating the Unley High School community on these processes as they are developed.

Yours sincerely

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