



About Blackfriars

Blackfriars is an independent Catholic Primary and Secondary school under the governance of the Dominican Friars, committed to providing a well-rounded education that caters specifically to the needs of boys: academically, socially, emotionally, physically and spiritually.

The Blackfriars Early Learning Centre offers an integrated play-based curriculum for boys and girls aged 3 to 5 years in a safe and welcoming learning environment.

Board positions

The school currently has limited opportunities for suitably experienced and qualified individuals to guide the school over the coming years by joining the school Board. The role of the Blackfriars Board is to provide leadership, strategic guidance and oversight of management for the School. Key activities include:

- overseeing implementation of the Blackfriars Strategic Plan and Master Plan
- attending and actively contributing to Board meetings (seven per year)
- participating in Board sub-committees
- engaging in the Board's decision making

Expressions of interest are welcome from individuals both within and outside the Blackfriars community. As part of a commitment to gender equity in our governance structures, female applicants are strongly encouraged to apply.

Essential selection criteria include strategic thinking, financial literacy and Board governance. We are also seeking experience in at least one or more of the following sectors: education, strategic brand and marketing and/or digital cyber and information technology. Your communication and interpersonal skills will be complemented by drive, flexibility, energy and vision.

An affinity with boys' education, Catholic schooling and the Dominican ethos of Blackfriars is also necessary. This represents an opportunity to make a significant and valuable contribution to the only school operated by the Dominican Friars in the southern hemisphere.

Expressions of interest and enquiries

Formal expressions of interest, including a brief cover letter and a recent resume, should be sent to: Mr Gerard Leahy, Board Secretary via email at g Leahy@bps.sa.edu.au by the close of business on **Friday 18 December 2020**.

Telephone enquiries can be made to Mr David O'Loughlin, Board Chair (0408 598 863) or Mr Gerard Leahy (0409 380 987). Please visit www.blackfriars.sa.edu.au for more information about Blackfriars.

All information provided by applicants will be subject to the Blackfriars Priory School Privacy Policy which is available to view on the school website.