

The Baldwin Circle



building on our inheritance

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“As the Principal, it was an easy decision for me to join the *Baldwin Circle*, as it is through such forward-thinking that the long-term future of Yarra is assured. I value the opportunity to contribute in this practical way and would love you to consider joining me as a member of this important group.”



Dr Mark Merry
Principal of Yarra Valley Grammar
and member of the *Baldwin Circle*



Building on our inheritance

Yarra Valley Grammar, founded in 1966, is one of Victoria's great co-educational schools, well respected for its academic excellence, dedicated teaching staff, welcoming environment and strong *Yarra Spirit*. At Yarra Valley Grammar our students are well rounded and highly aspirational; we cultivate the confidence to achieve.

Every family starting at Yarra Valley Grammar inherits all the good work from the generosity and support of the School's founders, past parents and supporters.

In 1988, Yarra Valley Grammar's Foundation was established and has been instrumental over the years in fundraising for special projects such as the George Wood Performing Arts Centre and Foundation Hall.

Building for the future

We ask that you consider making a bequest to the *Yarra Valley Grammar Foundation*. In doing so, you give a gift that outlives your own life and makes a difference to generations to come. It will enable initiatives and opportunities to be embraced by our students of tomorrow.

Gifts in the form of bequests to the *Yarra Valley Grammar Foundation* are important to those who plan the future development of the School. Yarra would not be what it is today without the involvement of passionate and committed supporters who have donated either in their lifetime or through a bequest.





Leaving a lasting legacy

Including a bequest to the *Yarra Valley Grammar Foundation* in your Will is a simple task. Bequests can be personal assets such as property, shares, works of art, fixed sums or a percentage of an estate.

We suggest you discuss your options with your solicitor and your family to see which option is right for you. Making a bequest does not always entail rewriting your Will. A simple codicil provides an easy option for you to consider. Alternatively when you make your Will, or update your existing one, ask your solicitor to include a bequest to the *Yarra Valley Grammar Foundation*.

A bequest is a way of making a more significant gift than may have been possible during your lifetime. Some gifts are large, others are small, but together they are all important to us.

Bequests are typically directed to the *Yarra Valley Grammar Foundation* for use at its discretion; an unrestricted bequest will allow us the flexibility to apply your gift to areas of greatest need. Or you can tailor your bequest to reflect your own special interest be it sports, the arts, music or academic achievement.

The Baldwin Circle

The *Baldwin Circle* provides an opportunity for those who wish to make a gift to Yarra Valley Grammar in their Will to be acknowledged and honoured in their lifetime. It is named after John and Meredith Baldwin, both very active members of the School community over the years. Membership is open to anyone who notifies us of their bequest.

Baldwin Circle members are proud and passionate supporters of Yarra Valley Grammar and enjoy a special relationship with the School. Members will receive a Foundation

pin as well as invitations to *Baldwin Circle* functions at the School and other associated Foundation and School events. We will acknowledge members' support each year in our past student publication, *the Link*, and on an Acknowledgement Board in Foundation Hall, unless, of course, members prefer to remain anonymous.

This is your invitation to join the *Baldwin Circle* and help us to secure the financial future of Yarra Valley Grammar. We would be honoured to welcome you as a member of the *Baldwin Circle*.



Your Will is building Yarra's future

Thank you for your consideration of a bequest to the *Yarra Valley Grammar Foundation Ltd*. Please complete this tear-off form and return it to the Development Office at the School.

Please contact me to discuss the possibility of including a gift to the Yarra Valley Grammar Foundation Ltd in my Will.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode _____

Tel (H): _____

Tel (M): _____

Email: _____

Signed: _____

I wish to confirm my intention of including a gift to the Yarra Valley Grammar Foundation Ltd in my Will.

I confirm I have made a gift of \$_____ to the Yarra Valley Grammar Foundation Ltd in my Will which entitles me to membership of the *Baldwin Circle*.

Whilst I do not wish to leave a bequest to Yarra, I would like to discuss how I can financially support the School by other means.

I would like my membership of the *Baldwin Circle* to remain anonymous (otherwise your name will be listed as a member in *the Link* and on the Acknowledgement Board in Foundation Hall).

Please return completed form to:

The *Baldwin Circle*, Yarra Valley Grammar Foundation Ltd, Kalinda Road, Ringwood VIC 3134

Or contact us on:

T: 03 9262 7700 E: baldwincircle@yvg.vic.edu.au



John Baldwin (Inaugural Yarra Foundation President) and **Meredith Baldwin** (past Auxiliary Chairperson and School Board Member), past parents and Patrons of the *Baldwin Circle*



Gary and Trisha Pratt
Parents and Members of the *Baldwin Circle*

Our Legacy

“Our children received a world-class education at the School thanks in part, to the foresight and generosity of previous benefactors. We in turn can help to ensure that the School continues to excel by supporting the Foundation. And, at a time when parents are faced with School fees and mortgages, an ideal way is to make a bequest in your Will to ensure that future generations will benefit from their time at our wonderful School.”

John and Meredith Baldwin

“We have had a 20 year association with Yarra Valley Grammar. Both Trisha and I have been on many parent groups over those years and have enjoyed the friendships that our involvement gave us. Giving a bequest to Yarra Valley Grammar ensures that our commitment to the School continues and that future generations can receive a benefit as we have.”

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