

## SCHOOL AS COMMUNITY

In the Catholic tradition, the school is more than an educational institution but a vital part of wider society. The love and unity that exists in the Trinity is our inspiration for working collaboratively to enhance community. School is the beating heart of the community but often serves one function only: educating the young. School could be more than this; an increasing number already are.

They provide programs and opportunities that cater to the broader needs of students, families, and community members, fostering stronger community ties and enhancing the overall wellbeing and happiness of the neighbourhood.

2035 Intention: All DOBCEL schools operate in some shape or form as active places in their own communities.

**Nominations for this category** should detail in 500 words or less how the nominee/s uses one or more of the three practical principles of the DOBCEL Strategy 2035 (deeper collaboration, networked local innovation or collective autonomy and agency) in service of *School as Community*.

As partners in Catholic education and open to God's presence, we pursue fullness of life for all.