

SUSTAINABLE STEWARDSHIP

The principle of responsible stewardship will guide and enrich the DOBCEL school system, ensuring that stewardship is undertaken collaboratively. It involves using good judgment, governance and planning to manage resources wisely for the long-term benefit of all. This promotes the capacity of people, protection of the natural environment, generation of inspiring built spaces, and enables managing resources and finances to ensure stability and viability, and leadership to advance collective benefits. In essence, being a steward means acting as a caretaker of the common good and a guardian of the purposes of the DOBCEL school system.

2035 Intention: Sustainable stewardship at all levels of the system serves the interests of young people, supports overall wellbeing, and fulfils the DOBCEL vision. This approach is justified by principles that prioritise the interests of children and young people and benefit schools in the system, ensuring transparency and guiding DOBCEL towards its preferred future.

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 *Sustainable Stewardship*.

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