

Ward d'Houet Education Board

Board Member Profile: John Arthur

John Arthur, L.L.B., B.Com., F.C.P.A., F.F.&T.A., is a Director of the fourth generation family business, L Arthur Pty Ltd, which has been involved in the transport industry in Victoria since 1898. Prior to this, he was Assistant Treasurer of the Rio Tinto Mining Group, London, Treasurer of Hamersley Iron, Comalco Ltd and Managing Director of the Financial Services Division of Conzinc Rio Tinto. John was President of The Australian Society of Corporate Treasurers (now The Finance and Treasury Association) in 1987.



His association with Loreto commenced in 1982 when his daughter commenced at Loreto Mandeville Hall (LMH). His wife Angela was a boarder at LMH in the 1960s.

His first involvement at LMH was with the Father's Association and was President in 1985. He joined the School Advisory Board in 1986 and was appointed Chair in 1988. The Advisory Board evolved into the School Council in 1990 and John was appointed the inaugural Chair by Sr Deirdre Rofe IBVM. He held this position until 1995.

John's Loreto connection was re-established in 1998 when he was invited by Sr Mary Wright IBVM, the then Provincial Superior, to chair the newly established Loreto Province Finance Advisory Committee. The relationship was extended in 2001 when Sr Deirdre Browne IBVM invited John to join the Loreto Education Board.

In addition to his Loreto involvement, John is Chair of the Christian Brothers Business and Finance Commission for the St Patrick's Province, Chair of the Jesuit Social Services Foundation, a member of the Finance Committee of the Blessed Sacrament Congregation and Chair of Opening the Doors Foundation which provides financial assistance to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families enabling them to provide their children with the education of their choice.