**Options for leaving a bequest to Gawura**

1. Endowment for an Indigenous student in each year from Year 7 to Year 12.

This requires a corpus of around $4-5m to fund a student in each year of high school (ie six in the school, one in each year, at every point of time). If a bequestor could fund one Scholar per high school year permanently that would require $4m; two scholarships would require $8-10m.

This would provide a large number of students with the kind of quality education they deserve, putting them on pathways for the future. We know that there is no difference in the employment outcomes for Indigenous people who have attended university.

1. Fund the five students who will start secondary school in any given year

The cost of this option, from 2021 to 2026 is $1.5million, roughly $220,000 the first year and then an increase of around 8% per year to see the students through from Year 7 to Year 12. Every year we aim to have five students leave Gawura and commence their education at St Andrew’s Cathedral School.

1. Fund a scholarship for a secondary student or two.

The current cost of funding one student in secondary school is $35,000 (which increased by arund 8% annually. In 2021 Gawura will educate 13 students on secondary scholarships, which are 95% funded by donors. A $35,000 sponsorship provides one year’s tuition for a student, all camps & excursions, stationary, resources, music tuition and participation in our Homework Club with the support of our Aboriginal Education Mentor. This covers everything a student needs to succeed at school – their uniform ,IT recourses, camps and all activities – both compulsory and optional.

**Fund a half a scholarship for 2020**

We have three generous organisations that fund half scholarships for secondary students. American Express could sponsor the other half of the scholarship ensuring the progress of all of a student towards year 12, and taking some of the financial pressure off Gawura because donations are mostly year to year and we will always educate the students that we have – not matter how hard it is to raise funds. GO Foundation, Ethical Partners and the Anglican Board of Mission fund half scholarships. The cost of this sponsorship is $17,500.

**Sponsor a Gawura primary school class**

In 2020 we have five students in year 6 and there is a funding gap of $8,400 per child between government funding and what it actually costs to educate each student. Sponsorship covers uniforms, stationary, classroom resources like IT equipment which are so vital at the moment, music tutoring which is still going ahead, and any incidental costs that a student may have during the year that families can’t afford. The total cost to sponsor the entire 2021 kindergarten cohort is $42,000.

**Annual On Country Tour**

One of the greatest values of the Gawura program is the way we are able to facilitate cultural learning because of the generosity of our supporters.

Every year we take students away for cultural learning out of the classroom. This provides a chance to walk On Country, learn and speak language and undertake cultural activities under the guidance of Elders and Traditional Owners. These trips take place in a different Nation each year. In 2018 the Commonwealth Bank’s Haymarket branch paid for all of our students to travel to Wiradjuri Nation in the Central West of NSW.

In 2021 students will undertake a Homelands visit in North Queensland in Kuku Yalangi Nation. The full cost to sponsor this is $61,000 or $2,950 per student for 20 students. This is a large cost and usually the On Country trip cost $20,000.

**Sponsor a Gawura project or donate to cover the needs of our students**

The following are examples of every day costs to Gawura that organisations and individuals can support through sponsorship:

* $250 pays for one student’s music tuition for a term. $27,000 will pay for every student in Gawura (Year 1 to Year 6) to have music lessons for one year. Music tuition is still taking place.
* Classroom resources for 2020. We have $10,000 in our budget to cover these expenses in 2020. This includes readers, new books, art supplies and Indigenous education materials.
* We estimate that half of our students will have grown and will need new uniforms in 2020 so that’s 15 uniforms at a cost of $1400 each, a total of $21,000.
* Additional educational support **:** We don’t ‘cheery pick’ Gawura students and some have additional needs and require extra help like speech or occupational therapy which Gawura is happy to provide, with the support and follow up of classroom teachers. Speech therapy for five Gawura students for 12 months is $14,000. ($70 per student per one session over 40 weeks in the year.) This support is so greatly appreciated by the classroom teachers and Gawura families.

From Jane Price, our Gawura Kindergarten teacher: *I can’t tell you how valuable the speech therapy is. Children have to learn speak before they can read and write. The oral language comes first. For the first time I feel like when I find a problem I am also offering a solution. Gawura can give the students so much more than they can get in the public system. Speech therapy makes what we offer our students so professional.*

**Funding cultural excursions**

We take all Gawura students on a cultural excursion each term. In 2019 these excursions included a boat ride on Sydney harbour with guides from the Tribal Warrior Indigenous organisation, a visit to the Living Languages exhibition at the State Library, an Indigenous walking tour of Barangaroo and performance at the Bangarra Dance Company. The cost of sponsoring one cultural excursion for the whole of Gawura is: $3500 per term. The cost of sponsoring all four cultural excursion in 2021 is $14,000.

A bequest may be unrestricted or designated for a particular use. Ways of making a bequest include a sum of money, a percentage of your estate or a specific asset. Every bequest will ensure that our dream to see our children go all the way from Kindergarten to university becomes a reality.

I give to St Andrew’s Cathedral School Foundation Ltd-Gawura Scholarship Fund (ABN 16 001 943 826):

\_\_ the rest and residue of my estate

\_\_ percentage of the residue of my estate

The sum of $\_\_\_\_\_

free of all duties and testamentary expenses for its general purposes and I direct that the receipt of that organisation shall be sufficient discharge to my executors for this bequest.