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School for the generations

St Ignatius' old scholars Laurie and Rita Chitti, and their children and current students Alessia, 12, and Franco, 17, reflect on their time at the school as its senior campus celebrates 50 years since its opening at Athelstone. See Page 4. Picture: STEPHEN LAFFER

ATHELSTONE

Celebrating a half century of learning

Daniela Abbracciavento

LAURIE Chitti is a western suburbs man through and through, but he never had an issue travelling almost 20km to and from school every day.

Dr Chitti, 45, is a St Ignatius' College old scholar and, despite living in Lockleys, he also chose to send his children, Franco, 17, and Alessia, 12, to his former school.

"We lived in Torrensville and I used to catch two buses to get to school," Dr Chitti says. "I made a lot of good

friends at the school and on the bus and I had caring teachers. We live at Lockleys now and it is far away, but I looked at the teaching provided by the school and the type of people I want my kids to be."

This year marks the school's 50th anniversary of the opening of its Athelstone campus.

Dr Chitti is proud to have his family heavily involved with the community.

His wife, Rita, also attended the school, but started Year 12 the year after her

now-husband completed his schooling.

Franco, who is in Year 12 at the college, hopes to send his future children to there one day. "I have loved my time at St Ignatius'," Franco says. "A lot of teachers went to school with my parents or taught my parents, so it's like a big community."

Classes began at St Ignatius' senior campus at Athelstone in February 1967 with 228 students. The campus now has more than 800 students



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