• Bruce McWilliam was a student at Dapto Public School from 1961 to 1967.

• 1967: Bruce McWilliam was the School Captain of Dapto Public School.

• 1968 – 1973: he attended a local high school.

• 1974: he continued with his education at Sydney University where he completed a Bachelor of Arts and a bachelor of Laws degree in which he graduated with honours.

• He lived at St Pauls College while he was at University and is now on the Council of the College and Bursar.

• 1980 – 1983: Bruce worked at Allen Allen and Hemsley as a solicitor and then left to join Consolidated Press Holdings (CPH) the Packer company with his friend Malcolm Turnbull (who is now the Prime Minister).

• During this period, Bruce McWilliam & Malcolm Turnbull undertook many transactions for CPH as lawyers and advisers and then in 1985, they formed their own law firm ‘Turnbull McWilliam’.

• 1987: Bruce left to return to Allen Allen and Hemsley as a partner while Malcolm Turnbull formed his investment bank.

• At Allen's, he was fortunate enough to be the solicitor for many leading Australian companies operating in the media sphere including CPH and Nine Network.
• In 1991 he married his wife Nicole (a fellow law graduate who graduated in 1986) with whom he has three children – Andrew, Sarah and Hugo, who themselves are either at University or about to be.

• In 1991 he moved to London to work for Rupert Murdoch and News International and the formation of Sky TV following the merger with BSB.

• 1996 : He went on the board of British Sky Broadcasting plc, which is a LSE and NYSE listed company, and also many of News Corp's international television assets in Germany Italy and Hong Kong.

• 1995 : He also worked on the formation of Foxtel with News and Telstra.

• 1997 : Bruce became the general counsel of News International plc.

• In 2002 the McWilliam family returned to Australia and completed a short stint with the law firm Gilbert &Tobin in 2002-3.

• 2003: Bruce joined Seven Network as commercial director and general counsel.

• Bruce currently has some property interests in Sydney and is on the board of Seven Group Holdings Limited, the Stokes family company which owns Seven Network, Pacific magazines, the caterpillar franchises in NSW, WA and North China as well as oil and gas interests.

Above: Bruce McWilliam with David Arquette, & Courtney Cox & friends.

Bruce says: “Dapto Public School was a sweet little school. It was a lovely old building (the main one). The infant’s part from memory was wooden and there were some demountables that we considered very smart at the time!”