

Holy Rosary Community AGM Report 2017

Good Afternoon Board, Holy Rosary Staff and fellow members of the Holy Rosary Community, my name is Simon Devlin and I have had the honour of being the Holy Rosary Community (formerly the P&F) President for the past two years.

As a committee we had a discussion earlier on in the year about moving away from the name P&F and using the more inclusive less intimidating name of Holy Rosary Community to better describe all the parents in our community that help out to make the school better.

As I mentioned last year we are extremely fortunate to have such an incredibly engaged school community, which I believe went to another level this year with some amazing events and some phenomenal fundraising, particularly driven by some of the newer members of our committee.

The role of the Holy Rosary Community and our goal, is to engage the broader school community, and bring it together as well as fundraise and support the school to provide a better environment for our children. From this perspective we have had an amazing year, we decided as a committee to focus this year on supporting the school in its contemporary classrooms project and we budgeted to Donate \$20,000 to the school for the project this year with the idea of donating a further \$30,000 in subsequent years to help complete this project, though having such dynamic members on our committee we set a goal to do more this year.

We were very fortunate to have Michele Della Franca, join our committee during the year and bring enormous energy and new fundraising ideas to the table, Michelle and Kristie Denham created a dynamic fundraising sub committee and set about breaking fundraising records and creating some new fun events, with the support of a number of equally amazing parents from the lower school years.

The events were incredibly well supported by the Holy Rosary Community and because of the amazing amounts raised we are able today to present the school with another cheque for \$30,000 to complete the Contemporary Classrooms Project.

The P&F also donated to the school the following.

Reading Resources	\$4,200
Pre Primary 'grass'	\$4,420
Science Resources Robots	\$1500
IT Resources Robots	\$1,500
Music Resources	\$5,000
Maths Resources	\$2500

In all the Holy Rosary Community donated over \$70,000 to the school this year.

We had a number of fantastic events through out 2017 which were very well attended by the school community.

- Welcome back to School Sundowner
- Dad & Kid's Camp Out
- Mothers Day Morning Tea
- Parent Information Nights
- Mum's Movie Night
- Lapathon
- Annual Quiz Night & Auction
- Bunnings Sausage Sizzle
- Fathers Day Breakfast
- Bogan Bingo
- School Discos

Our 2017 committee is currently in the process of setting budgets for the 2018 events and projects and we are discussing a number of initiatives. Our school parents and staff are always welcome at any of our Holy Rosary Community meetings, to have their say on how they would like the funds raised to best assist the school.

It is important to thank each and everyone of the people who gave up their time over the past year to make our events great and to lend a hand in helping to raise the funds for the Contemporary Classrooms Project. Thank you!

We must also thank Felicity Kendal our parent rep co-ordinator and all the Parent Reps who not only dispersed the Holy Rosary Community information but volunteered for many events.

If you haven't yet put your hand up to help, we would love to see you next year, so feel free to come along to a Holy Rosary Community meeting or volunteer for one of our events.

I would like to make a special note of thanks to our Community members who have attended meetings each month, given their input, and support, suggestions and set goals and planning for the future. Your support over the past year has been invaluable. A special thanks must go to the rest of the Executive in Al King, Nathan Byrne and Peter Devlin, for all their work this year, also I would like to personally thank Sue Griffin, Mark Nolan and Kristie Denham and Michelle Della Franca for their extra energy and drive throughout the year.

Thanks again and we look forward to an amazing 2018.