

## P&F President Report AGM 2021

Good evening and welcome.

I am Jodie Capobianco, outgoing President of three years, parent rep and mum of two boys. I have held the position for the last three years and have thoroughly enjoyed my time. Now is the time to pass the baton onto a new President of P&F to continue to oversee the amazing work we all do in friend and fundraising.

The one thing I am truly grateful for is the volunteers who give up precious time to help run these events. Yes it can be hard work, but if the rewards are there to see. A HUGE thank you to you all.

We have been extremely fortunate this year in WA, not having to deal with any major lockdowns, so therefore our very full school calendar was able to be ticked off one or two events at a time.

So with our goals set, let's see what our year held for us....

Welcome night is always a winner to start the year off, meeting and greeting families, dancing, eating, conversations flowing and children zooming around in the dark with their glow sticks. Great music sets the tone along with all the hard work put into a fantastic night by Y1, Y6 & K3.

We followed this with our Easter raffle. Well done Y2 & Y3

Throughout the year we funded such things as the Year 6 camp, sacraments, Mother's Day Mass, Father's Day breakfast, and Mathew Gibney Day, just to name a few.

All very sought after and popular events on our calendar.

All fundraising is important to us. Some of our smaller ones the students love are the Mother's Day gifts & Father's Day gifts. Also, our entertainment book is popular with the parents offering nights out and fun things to do with the family. Fundraising is what affords us the extra things we can provide for our children at school. And this year has been an outstanding effort.

Then we have our Minnie Vinnies Year 5, learning to help the less fortunate with their outstanding efforts including pyjama day, lolly jar raffles, team colour for a day, crazy socks, and the favourite in winter Milo Mornings.

Now for the big events this year and they were BIG!

We kick it off with our Quiz night. Led by Simone Cain and team. Burswood on Swan secured, our Quizmaster Mike Feltham and a team of volunteers ready to take on the night's events. Businesses were approached, written to, and followed up with for donations. And with

everything going on in the world, businesses here in Perth were extremely generous in donations for our night. So, with prizes, raffles and silent auctions read it was most definitely a night to remember. Taking \$9,636.00 from the event.

Another event we almost missed last year, but not this year is our Bunnings Sausage Sizzle. A new mega store, better layout, and some hungry mouths to feed, raising a total of \$2,829.70

We also secured the Interschool Sports Day food stall. Set in motion by Mrs Hewitt and continued by Mr B. But instead of the 4 schools we joined up with a bigger catchment and grew to 8 school competing at a new venue. With a pile of lunch orders to fill, our volunteers set the pace to feed hungry mouths. While some schools found what we did daunting it paid off for us netting \$828.85

Now for what was the biggest day on our school calendar, in two parts;

Firstly all of our fundraising had been decided to go towards a very special celebration. Matthew Gibney's CPS 30<sup>th</sup> birthday and the gift we had decided on was nature playgrounds for our children.

Our day started off with Mass, cutting of the 30<sup>th</sup> birthday cake, followed but the official opening and blessing of the nature playground. Parents and Grandparents were then able to see what the children have been up to in their classroom, followed by what 30 years has been like for our school, with all sorts of memorabilia and followed by a delicious morning tea run by Michelle Steward and team. And the morning was rounded off by a concert for the grandparents.

Now what the children were really waiting for was the famous Colour Run! Held a couple of years ago for the first time, it was a big hit then, but even bigger this year.

What do you need for a colour run: white tee, cool sunnies, bright headband, lots of crazy colour and the most important ingredient water. And the volunteers, who had to know they were not getting out of this clean!! With a course set, kids ready set run, with boundless energy and tons of fun led by Katie Pillera & Jamie Smith we had another hugely successful event raising: \$6,822.64

We were able to present the school with \$13,800 towards the new playground.

Again, I have felt privileged to be a part of this fantastic school community and I look forward to seeing what we come up with for next year, old favourites and new ideas.

Thank you, good night and God Bless