

St John's School Chairperson Report 2014

Welcome to everyone and thank you for attending tonight.

During 2014 the Board focus of Building, Maintenance and resource provision has included:

1. Budget and staffing has been provided to support the educational priorities of the school including:
 - co – teaching in Literacy and Mathematics
 - updated resources the Science curriculum area was a priority for this year
2. Providing resources for the implementation of the National Quality Standards- including updating some of the K – Year 2 furniture.
3. ITC has been a heavy focus this year
 - Change ITC company – and we are very happy with the new company
 - Improved infrastructure with wireless connections and speed- This allows for complete roaming wifi in and around the school.
 - Updated Teacher laptops to cater for need for increased speed to access internet, and to use with interactive whiteboards
 - Change over from CEO hosting schools' internet to our own provider which has required some infrastructure, software changes and staff training
 - Purchase and installation of two Apple TV systems for PP and Kindy
 - Purchase of 12 Chromebooks and Management system with license to enable staff PD in the staff week at the end of the term and more will be bought for classroom use next year.
4. Continued focus of high standard of grounds and maintenance has included:
 - Undercover area toilet refurbishment, completed over Jan holidays
 - air-conditioning replaced in the ITC Lab
 - air-conditioning in the Art room – thanks to the P&F
5. Updating of the school sports uniform – thank you to the community for their input and the McDonald's Grant for Cricket shirts – our thanks to parents, Di Doust-Cramer and Di McColl
6. Natural Playscape project lead by Jane smith, P&F and Emma Pollard.
We are awaiting news to see if we have been successful in gaining an additional grant from Royalty for Regions.

At the beginning of this year we welcomed new staff - Damien O'Malley (Yr 6) Erica Lee (Yr 3), Tracy Hopkins (Year 2) Theresa Crothers, Lucinda Ruiz EA, Lesa Ferguson (Cleaner), Tim Wood (grounds) and we welcome them for their service to the school.

We wish our departing staff well: Melissa Marquis– who leave us to become Principal of St Mary's Northampton and we know she will do a wonderful job, Tracy Hopkins, who completed her service during Term Four, Sue Connolly who is moving to Bunbury and Leeanne Morcom who is becoming a

full time Nanna after 24 years at St John's. We will thank these valued staff members at the School Concert.

On behalf of the Board and school community I would like to thank Katie and members of the 2014 P&F committee for all their work and community building during this year. The school community is appreciative of your work and commitment.

Our thanks also to Father Michael and members of the School Board. Thank you to Ryan Robinson who does a great job as Treasurer. Thank you also to Brett Morrison, Kym Trenfield, Amber Ward and Anita Chadwick for their input into the Board. We also thank members of the Board who resigned during the year from the Board due to work and family commitments: Rob Goodfellow, Jenny Porter, Donna Nevill and Scott Rubery.

On behalf of the Board I would like to thank Miss Maureen Barrett, Assistant Principals: Melissa Marquis and Emma Pollard, and all the staff for their great work and commitment to our children and school.

I wish all of you a wonderful end to the year.

Stephany Keeffe.

Chairperson of the School Board