

# **PRESIDENTS REPORT FOR 2015**

## **(AGM 22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2016)**

North Eton State School celebrated it's 120<sup>th</sup> Birthday in 2015 and what a year we had!! With almost a whole new P&C and executives new to their roles, we had a lot to learn and tackled all goals, fundraisers and events as a tight team resulting in great success!

I would like to thank each and every member of the P&C and school community who volunteered to help out at each P&C event or assisted the school to run during 2015.

### **FUNDRAISERS:**

- We started the year with a very successful Under 8's day where small schools from the area came to participate in multiple workshops and a day filled with art, drama, music and more. The P&C did a great job in catering for over 110 students and staff with a sausage sizzle/lunch pack/drinks.
- Our Krispy Crème donut drive was also a success, raising much needed funds for our school
- A very last minute booking with a circus to the school gave us an opportunity to raise some money with a sausage sizzle and a small percentage from ticket sales.
- We hosted our first ever Cocktails in the Canefields. This event brought 110 ladies from our community into our wonderful school for an afternoon of Cocktails, raffles, live music and yummy food. We raised just over \$6000 which was amazing!!
- Provided a bbq for the lower school's movie night with Gargett State School.
- Our final event for the year was the highly successful Nativity Play. The staff and students put on an amazing performance and the P&C once again came together to not only host a BBQ but was also there to prepare the hall, decorate and clean up after the event.

### **PLAYGROUP:**

The playgroup has continued to grow from strength to strength and we now have over 30 members who attend on a regular basis. It is a great opportunity to open our school gates to our local parents and potentially new enrolments.

### **TUCKSHOP:**

I would like to thank our Tuckshop Convenor, Steph Grieves for her commitment to providing the students with delicious food at tuckshop on Fridays. The children love it and it was also a great money maker for the P&C.

### **UNIFORMS:**

At the end of the year we re-stocked all our summer uniforms and ordered a new style of hat with embroidery for 2016.

### **GRANTS:**

An application was lodged for the Community Benefit Funds Unit (CBFU) on the 27<sup>th</sup> of November 2015. This was for an upgrade to our oval with topsoil sand, to fix the damaged fence around the school oval, replace the front fence with a more attractive pool fencing

and also some new outdoor seating for both students and playgroup members. This application takes at least 5 months to process so we should have a response by the end of April.

**TENNIS:**

The P&C organised a tennis coach to provide lessons for those who wished to participate at lunch time for Term 3. The students enjoyed this experience although the coach was often unreliable.

**CONTRIBUTIONS:**

As a result of our hard earned money raised we were able to

- Contribute \$1000 for the senior students school camp to Airlie Beach
- Paid \$2000 for a new Interactive TV
- Paid \$500 for all students to attend STAR LAB held at Gargett State School. This meant that parents did not have to pay for this excursion.
- \$660 for Arthur Conlon to come to our school to paint a mural in the playgroup area with students along with an art workshop.
- Purchased a new oven for the tuckshop for \$200 (yet to be installed)
- Paid for the hire of the hall (\$100), stage lights (\$60) and graduation cake for the Christmas concert.

Once again I would like to thank everyone, including staff, students and husbands, who gave their time and energy to ensure every event was a success and ran smoothly. Without your efforts, these fantastic achievements outlined would not have been possible. I am looking forward to seeing what our P&C can achieve in 2016!

Tenille Hildred  
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