

President's Report – P&F AGM Monday 26st November 2018

Good Evening all,

Thank you to everyone for being here this evening and showing your support for our school community.

I'm now going to run through the activities and events that the P&F has run and supported this year and what the P&F has helped achieve for the school and most importantly, our kids.

Term 1

We had our welcome back **school Sundowner** on the evening of Friday 2nd February. This is an annual event we hold, at the start of every year, it's a great opportunity to meet and get to know your fellow class parents and School staff.

We had our first **Bunnings Sausage Sizzle** on the 18th at the O Connor store, We had a lovely donation of 300 sausages from 'Continental Meat Supply' on Rockingham Road, Hamilton Hill.

Thanks to the following volunteers;

Jo Arnephie, Barbara Grimm, Rachael Visser, Danny Bilich, Grace Cikara, Marco Cikara, David lang, Murray Giles, Will Adams, Bernard Beeson, Oliver Beeson, and Sharon McGunnigle,

We had our **Dog wash day** on Saturday 24nd February, which was a lot of fun for the everyone who came along, with bacon and egg rolls, Barista coffee, raffles, and doggie treats for our canine community.

We participated in the Coles '**Sports for Schools**' voucher programme, thanks to Carmen Forde for organising. The school and community collected some 7,000 Tokens! Which eventuated in a variety of new sporting equipment for the school.

We got involved with a school support programme with **Gilbert's fresh**, where we get a return on money spent there to use on our school, thanks to Carmen Forde for organising. We received a return of \$716 on this initiative.

We had our first **Dads night out** this year, at the Vale on the 8th of March, a small but enthusiastic and thirsty group attended; it was nice to see many of the Dads were from the Kindy and pre-primary class. Thanks to Darren Nock for organising.

Our P+F AFL **Footy tipping** competition was set up, a little bit disappointing with only 11 participants, this venture has the capability of generating a lot of revenue, I would love to see more participants next year.

We had our **Easter raffle** in week 8, which went very well, congratulations to the winners, and well done to the organisers and volunteers, this little venture brought in a whopping \$1, 300

P+F was present at the Canteen for the supply of drinks and sweeties at the Edu Dance concert. Thanks to Barbara for organising

Term 2

We started events for Term 2 with a **Mother's Day stall**

OLMC cross country, P+F organised a fruit donation from Woolworths and a coffee van for the OLMC cross country, it was well received by all. Thanks to Carmen and Emma for organising.

Dads Night out, We had our second Dads night out at the Last Drop in Beeliar on the 7th June, It was really good to see a lot of new Dads from the Kindy / pre Primary classes attend, as well as the usual faces. Thanks to Darren Nock for organising.

Dads engagement School Busy Bee, 9th June

We had a big list of items to fix / replace / remove, and install (some 20 odd jobs), we had a contingent of 15 Dads that arrived and attacked all tasks with vigour and enthusiasm.

The year 1 and 2 outdoor areas are looking awesome with new artificial grass and some much needed natural light with the new translucent roof sheeting.

The Kindy and Pre Primary nature play areas look like new again, garden beds throughout the school are looking a lot fresher. And lots of trips hazards, unsightly bumps and bruises throughout the school have been attended to.

A huge thank you to all the Dads that attended and participated. The school is looking nicely spruced up because of their effort. Thanks to Kevin for the Sausages and much needed refreshments.

We had our big event of the year on the 16th June, the **80's / 90's Parent Disco**, it was an awesome night. Well attended, with a crowd of about 50 people, it was great to see a big contingent of School staff there as well. The music was good, bad, and ugly, as were the costumes. A massive thank you to school mum Andrea Ponga Morgan for the infectious music, Emma Tapp, Naomi Pryor, Carmen Forde, Randall Tapp, Larissa Thomas, Rhiann Moss for pulling this event off. These people's tireless efforts are what makes Nights like these so successful and rewarding.

Term 3

For **OLMC Week** – the P+F put on a sausage sizzle and fed all the students and staff.

P+F in conjunction with 'School Aid' had a collection for our drought-affected farmers in rural areas called **Hay and Hampers for Hope**. We finalised the fundraiser with a Pizza Lunch for the staff and students on Monday the 3rd of September. We raised a total of \$763.35

We had our **Father's Day stall** at the end of August.

It was nice to see the class reps stepping up and organising Fathers Days breakfasts for the Kindy / Pre-primary / Year 1 and Year 2s.

We had another **Dads night out** in the Vale on August 30th, approx. 10 enthusiastic Dads attended. Thanks to Darren Nock for organising.

We organised a coffee van for the athletics carnival on the 5th of September.

We had the kid's **PJ Movie night** on 14th September, these nights are always mayhem, screaming kids, popcorn everywhere, a massive clean-up afterwards, but hey the kids had fun.

Thanks to Emma/Carmen/Naomi for organising.

Term 4

We had our **school disco** on the 19th of October, tie-dye theme, Kids had a ball, and Andrea Ponga as always was amazing as DJ.

Thanks to Emma / Carmen / Naomi for organising.

We had our **Garage Sale Trail** on Saturday 20th October, very well organised, about 25 stalls set up, bouncy castle, egg and bacon rolls, good coffee, face painter, raffles and busking area. Crowds were a little light, but it was a great community engagement event.

Thanks to Barbara for a massive effort in organising this.

We provided the school staff with lunch and some much-needed coffee vouchers for **World Teachers Day**. I want to take this opportunity to thank all the staff in this school for, your enthusiasm and dedication is inspiring. You people are wonderful at what you do.

We had our **Colour Explosion fun run – Run 4 fun** on Friday 9th November, the kids, teachers, and parents involved had a fantastic time, not many people went home clean and untouched by colour. Thanks to Emma, Naomi, Carmen for organising.

The New Nature play area down on the bottom oval is 99.9% done.

Over 2 Saturdays many Dads showed up with shovels, hammers, lorries, bobcats...and lots of enthusiasm. It was hard work over both weekends, but the result is amazing. I want to thank all the Dads who showed up and worked so hard, and the local community for donations of materials and equipment. And a big thank to Justin for putting this whole project together, Randall for the support, and Kevin for the snags and refreshments.

As part of the schools Wellness Week, the P+F contributed \$1000 to the school.

We had our last Dads night out for the year in the Norfolk in Fremantle.

Thanks to Darren for Organising.

And we'll finish up this year with our Christmas raffle, there are some good prizes this year, so get your tickets now!

As well as all that:

We promote and sell Entertainment books for fundraising

We've got a school Business directory going where we can advertise your business on our facebook page and in the school newsletter.

We've promoted discount Jabiru Mangoes for you all to avail of.

We've bought a new 'EFTPOS box', to keep up to speed with the current trend of people not carrying cash.

Simone McGurk MP has kindly granted us \$250, which we will turned into a family voucher for Adventure World, and will be one of the prizes for our Christmas raffle, get your tickets now.

And all the usual contributions to Tea / coffees / lunches, and various School requests as they arise.

So, the reason we do all this?

At the start of every year we sit down with Kevin and discuss what the school is doing, where it is going, what it would like and what it needs, we also discuss what the P+F is doing, where it is going, and what it needs, and after a robust sensible discussion we all agree on a 'Wish List'

So, the Wish List for 2018 was....

- Nature Play – bottom oval
- Robotics (Bee Bots, Osmos Rainbow, Talking Boxes)
- EduDance
- Performing Arts Festival
- Student and Staff wellness
- Early Years outdoor Play
- Artificial turf (Yr. 1 and Yr. 2)
- Interschool Swim Lane Hire
- New BBQ and Esky

I look forward to seeing these items implemented into the school for the school staff to avail of
And the kids to enjoy.

To wrap up, I need to give thanks to several people,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who have supported the P&F and the activities that the P&F has run this year. We have had some wonderful donations and sponsorships, awesome volunteers and fantastic attendance and participation by the community.

Without the help and attendance from these people we can't do what we do and we don't get to purchase those extra things that can enhance our children's experience at OLMC.

Thanks to our executive for their hard work and support; Katherine, Chelsea, Emma, Anna, and Carmen. The P+F would not be what it is without you. I think we make a good team and I've enjoyed every moment of what we have done so far together.

Thanks to our Fundraising committee, Emma and Naomi, and many many committees and sub committees that were involved in all events, all you guys have put in a huge effort this year. The activities you put on this year were all top class, well thought out, very enjoyable and financially rewarding.

Thanks to our Dads engagement Coordinator, Darren for organising the Dads nights out, thanks to all the Dads who came and supported the school busy bee, and construction of the new Nature Play

Thanks to our Class reps this year who are essential to getting information from P&F to our parents, and for getting parent input and feedback back to the P+F, and for the many of whom volunteered their time to help with various activities, and who came to participate in the P+F meetings.

Thanks to all the volunteers who have chipped in and helped out, all help, and assistance is hugely appreciated, we welcome all involvement.

Special thanks to Kevin and Julie for their help this year, always enthusiastic and accommodating to the needs of the P&F, for providing valuable input, feedback and guidance, and their generosity and trust with the school's facilities.

Thank You.

Patrick Vereker