

## **P&F Meeting- 24 May 2021 6.30pm**

**Present-** Michael Gallagher

Marianne Aberline

Jo Sullivan

Clare Foale

Susanne Foale

Bec Tomas

Tammy Bricthta

Gemma Wall

Alicia Unkovic

Cath Currin

Conor Foley

Rebecca Mirabito

### **P&F committee members-**

#### **Share roles-**

Bec Tomas

Tammy Bricthta

Gemma Wall

Alicia Unkovic

Cath Currin

Conor Foley

Rebecca Mirabito

Conor Foley- **Treasurer**

- **Outline of new Committee having share roles and Connor being Treasurer**
- **School prayer**
- **Welcome to country**
- **Michael-** Discussion of P&F committee and what are the expectations, what the committee endeavours to achieve and that it is part of a larger community within the Catholic and broader community
- **Gemma /Tammy-** discussed that we are a new committee with training wheels on, but have a commitment to fundraise for the school, bring the school together and help make changes to better the school and its ethos.
- The P&F would like feedback from the school to what they would like to see the funds raised spent on within the school

### **Proposed fund raising events-**

1. Mothers' Day breakfast- covid restricted- completed (P&F)
2. School welcome drinks- Friday 28 May 2021- Manly Pavilion (P&F)
3. Movie Night- 30 July 2021- school hall (P&F- fundraiser)
4. Father's Day Breakfast- 3 September 2021 ( P&F)
5. Family Portraits Oct/Nov 2021 (P&F - fundraiser)
6. School Disco- school Hall -22/10/2021(year 4 )- Spooky /Halloween theme
7. Christmas Carols- 3 December 2021 ( P&F)
8. Year 6 celebration lunch- 13 December 2021 (year 5 parents)

9. 12 month plan for Spring Fair , Parents fundraising night, kids artworks, raffles

#### **Ideas for fundraising purchase-**

- **High tech projector screens for classrooms for kids to show individual work easily- Michael to provide costings and link of product for review**
- **Robotics/coding**
- **Lunch time equipment for play including arts/crafts/ Lego/sport equipment**
- **Stage 2 readers**
- **Vegepod equipment for lunch time gardening**

Discussion that committee would get 3-5 options that kids could vote on as well as give kids an opportunity to give ideas/feedback on how to make the school better/what they would like for the school.

#### **Treasurer Report- Conor Foley (please insert report here)**

#### **Principal's Report-Michael Gallagher**

1. **School Improvement Plan-** new director of Broken Bay Office  
-emphasis on Student achievement and Catheticism /Evangelisation  
- Aim is to redevelop the student's faith, catholic identity amongst school, parents and families
2. **Towards 2025 Strategy-** more information to be updated
3. **The St Kieran's Advantage** - very successful night at school that initiated discussion of why St Kieran's' is great option for children in year 5 and 6. Created discussion within the school, very positive feedback, especially the parents that talked and the principal of St Pauls. Many parents would like it be run again later in year, Michael happy to facilitate this.
4. **200 years of Catholic Education** - 5x students and 3 x teachers attended the mass, with emphasis on the pride of being a Catholic. St Kieran's will have school liturgy in couple weeks to celebrate this event
5. **Fundraising** - previously discussed, continue to decide what school needs and then let school community know what we are fundraising for, open to other ideas on fundraising, advertisements in school newsletter etc
6. **Before and After School care** - Catholic Care are on their 'last Chance'  
Michael in process of reviewing other 2 x other organisations, this would mean a 90-day transition periods from Catholic Care to new tender, same price guarantee, guarantee continuation of child positions in the program.  
Michael needs feedback from parents on any concerns or questions with Catholic care.
7. **Next St Kieran's Open Day** – June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021
8. **Playgroup** - has been very successful, continues on the last Friday of each month.

#### **Other Business-**

- **Uniforms -Clare Foale-** some Year 5 girls petitioned 100 signatures and put an argument to Mr Gallagher asking to allow to incorporate pants and shorts options into the school uniform to allow for fairness, comfortability, keeping girls

active. This also showed leadership from this group of girls to achieve something within their school.

Michael is happy to support this change, the school is working with Pickles to have the uniform option available. Happy for feedback from parents and students.

Once finalised will be announced at an assembly and year 5 group recognised.

**Shared space-** discussion when this will be re used as not currently utilised at lunch times for any grade. Michael discussed with leadership team and nil solution decided. Issue with staffing and allowing staff members to have a lunch break.

All people present discussed need to create a solution as it is a great area for play, fun, and something the kids very much look forward to.

Discussion that the school uses the area to promote the school yet it's actually not being utilised for its current students

- Discussion about “unfriendly behaviour amongst some grades”, need to reutilise the safe tree - have the Year 6 leadership team take turns each day helping /playing with the kids if they are sitting at the tree. This needs to be revamped within the school to all grades to make all lunchtimes a safe and fun time for all kids.
- Have more options for lunch time play- big discussion that needs more ideas and solutions.
- Cash at the Canteen- Julia to follow this up, coming soon
- Knitting with Nana idea- nanas/grandad come in and do craft/activities/gardening with kids at lunchtime

Concluded 8pm