St. Mary’s Parents and Friends

Annual General Meeting – 5th April 2014

Presidents Report for 2013

Hi Everyone!

We have had another great year in 2013.

We adapted well with the new Parents and Friends helpers coming on board. This was made so much easier by the existing long term parent helpers guiding us with each new event.

A big thank-you to the parents who made the effort to get to the meetings. It’s most important to have this core group to run the basics of the committee.

On seeing many happy faces at each event, I will say the committee is doing a great job. In 2013, we successfully organised the following:

- February: Ran the bar at the Opening School Mass
- March: Grade Prep / Grade 6 Buddy Night
- April: Easter Raffle
- May: Mother’s Day Stall
- July: Movie Night (Home Alone)
- July: Scout Raffle
- August: Footy Fun Day Subway lunch
- September: Father’s Day Stall
- October: School Disco (Junior and Senior disco)
- November: Crazy Calendar fundraiser
- November: Bunnings BBQ
- December: Arts Spectacular – ran the bar.
In particular, due to the efforts made by the parents, the Movie Night and the Disco seemed to be the fly away successes with the children.

Realising that we are living in an age where parents are particularly busy, I have tried to focus on a flexible arrangement with parent helpers and volunteers. That being, to try and have the majority do a little each and not leaving it to a few to put in some very long hours and lose interest.

I am happy to say that we were able to achieve this to a degree.

The volunteer list is growing, enabling a quick call out when needed.

Many laughs have been had and we have all come to know each other better as the time has moved on.

If elected, I am happy to take on the role of President for 2014.

This is because of the genuine care and assistance I have continuously received from both parents and staff.

I look forward to a fun and eventful 2014.

Regards,

Garry Hills.