Parents and Friends Committee

Annual Report for St Mary’s Education Board 14th May 2013.

2012 was a good year for the P&F. After struggling with numbers in 2011, we gained some new members and finally elected a President. The year was full of all the usual activities – Easter raffle, Stalls, Footy Fun day, Disco, Bunnings BBQ and the end of year Mass and picnic. All events were well supported and made a profit.

While we didn’t have a big fundraiser last year, we did try out a couple of new activities. On Mary Help of Christians Day the P&F provided a free lunch (hot dog and drink to all children). Traditionally we have given an icy pole or chocolate frog. This change required a lot more organisation but was a more significant contribution and the children enjoyed it.

We also held a movie night in the Tri Centre. There was a movie upstairs for the children and the wine and cheese downstairs for the parents. The night was well attended and we received a lot of positive feedback. These two events will run again this year. These two events focussed on the community building aim of the P&F – they were not fundraisers.

During the year, we also had a subway lunch fundraiser, joined the scout raffle and held a veggie/herb fundraiser. All of the activities were well supported by parents and made profits for the school.

This year’s P&F committee is quite large and has some very enthusiastic new members and some enthusiastic old members! Garry Hills is the new President, Michelle Green is Treasurer and Jess De Bono is Secretary.

The P&F is grateful for the work of last year’s office bearers – Sinead Cunican (President), Jarrod Pye (Treasurer) and Natasha Misquitta (Secretary) and the Committee.

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