



# ST. PETER'S COLLEGE

## Parents and Friends Association

### Meeting 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016

- Meeting Opened:** 7:30pm  
**Present** Tim Hogan, Mairi-anne Macartney, Ellinor Allen, Karen Walker, Bec St Mart, Mandy Madill & Jodie Redman
- Apologies:** April Hampson & Naomi Bartlett
- Correspondence in:** Fundraising catalogue. (Various)  
**Correspondence out:** Nil  
**Minutes:** From last meeting, read by all and acknowledged by Ellinor Allen

**Guest Speaker: Helen Smith** "The role of the Gifted and Talented co-ordinator is not limited to working with those students who sit at the top. While support and the creation of opportunities for these students is an essential part of the role, it is also to gather the students who are edging towards the top and are keen to improve their performance and for the students at every other level to find ways to improve their experience, so they too might see clear improvement in their understanding. That means that special programs aimed at challenging and broadening the problem solving skills of the students are built into the structure of the position. It means that seeking and promoting opportunities to look at real world issues to open the minds of students is a feature of the role. The support of classroom teachers in developing approaches to the classroom experience that build the capacity of students to move beyond the classroom is an expectation. We must encourage our students to do more than just "think outside the box". They need to learn how they might "stomp on the box" so that nothing stands as an impediment to the positive growth they might achieve.

The main thrust of the program in the Junior years, Halo Program, needs to be flexible enough to allow for students with differing kinds of abilities. The Extension Program in Senior years needs to be an inviting adult space where students are challenged beyond "normal" classroom expectations or, according to individual requirements, merely given time and space to follow their own learning needs in a welcoming environment. Some students have genuinely become independent learners and that is a real goal.

The role of the Gifted and Talented Co-ordinator is one that provides a terrific opportunity to work with young and curious minds, and as such must be regarded as one of the best jobs in teaching."

#### **Principals' Report:**

Anzac Day, it is nice to see school leaders from both campuses sharing these leadership roles within the community representing the School.

Two staff acknowledged at Catholic Education Leadership dinner; Greg Furlong 25 years teaching and Stephen Nash his contribution to Faith within the diocese.

VCE performance evening was a great success, as always wonderful to see the passion students have.

Exams this week for Years 10/11/12 across both campuses.

Guest speaker at both Campuses this week, for Religion students. Islam and Christianity. Students displayed great openness, respect and tolerance.

SIS Cross country we did so well in Division B we have moved into Division A. Great opportunity for students from both campuses.

We congratulate 1 students achieving high expectations, Wihan Erasmus in Scouting and Jackson Boyd in Baseball – Good luck to both young men.

The College at present is checking and implementing Procedures and Policies regarding Child Safety Standards and Code of conduct. Tim will consult with staff, student council.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bank Statement 30/4/2016 \$11767.52, there will be movement with Masters BBQ ..

**Marketing/Website:** April absent

### **General Business**

East Pavers, Tim discussed with landscaper. It can be incorporated into landscape plan.

Mairi-anne suggested as first Year 12 finish 2016, and many of the 47 students have been with us since Year 7 we look at an inaugural paver “push” and get all Year 12s involved. Mairi-anne will design a flyer, and get to all Year 12 ...try to have a great response. Speak to College Captains and House Leaders to push within the year level. Suggested P&F subsidise but this will be discussed later.

St Peters Day BBQ discussed, April has placed in this week's newsletter, admin staff have spread sheet to record parent volunteers.

Elinor and Karen to work out number of sausages and Veg Burgers, order to be then placed with Butcher. Consumables to be checked and Student passes to be done.

**Meeting closed:** 9pm

**Next Meeting:** 19<sup>th</sup> July **EAST CAMPUS**: Damien Cardona Guest speaker