

Good evening and welcome to the St Mary's School Community AGM for the 2018 year.

In 2018 we saw the arrival of our new principal Adriano Cogniglio. Adriana has settled in nicely to the school and the students have bonded very well to her. She has faced many new challenges with great leadership skills.

In 2018 the Board have worked very hard with decisions and improvements being made to the school. These included:

- The new website was launched which is easy to use and looking professional.
- The school app called Skoolbag was introduced and for those parents who rely on reminders is a very effective app. A great way for the front office to communicate and allows families quick and easy information.
- Security cameras were installed around the school
- IT upgrade which was the replacement of switches and server
- Cathy Carr carried out a Compliance visit
- Rev Archbishop Timothy Costelloe visited the school
- Ipads were updated
- Finance workshop for all board members

In 2018 we were unfortunate to have leave us Tanya Withers, Keely Mitchell and Jessica Prowse. We wish them all the best for the future. Zoe O'Malley is on maternity leave with her second baby, Bree.

Congratulations to the P&F Executive, parents and community for another successful year of fundraising. You have all worked so hard and the contributions the P&F have made in 2018 were amazing. So a big thank you to all.

Thankyou to Father Andrew and the Parish for the support of the school and students in their spiritual journey.

I would like to congratulate the Year 6 class of 2018 on their Graduation and wish them all the best for the next stage of education life. May they remember their special times at St Mary's.

The Board would like to acknowledge the wonderful staff at St Marys. There are many duties and hours outside of the classroom that we don't see. Their hard work and dedication is what makes our school successful. So thank you to all staff. You do an amazing job and the parents can see the results in our children and how happy they are.

I would like to thank Adriana for her leadership and compassionate manner. Natalie Partington as our efficient Secretary. Mel Carr as our Treasurer. Also thank you to other board members, Mugove Munumati, Erica Carlson, Brad Anderson, Vanessa McGinniss, Pauline Riethmuller and Daina Sutherland as the P&F rep. The time and effort you put in each meeting and outside meetings truly helps our school grow.

Thank you to Loraine and Tania Geir. Always so welcoming and happy to help whenever need be.

In closing I wish to thank everyone who has contributed in any way to St Mary's in 2018. We have a wonderful school community and hope it continues this way for years to come. Please be thankful for what we have in such a small town. It is a great place for our children.