

St Joseph's P&F Newsletter

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The St Joseph's Parents and Friends (P&F) Committee would like to welcome back all staff and students to our school community particularly new staff members, students and their families.

We are into Week 5 of Term 1 and the P&F have already hosted a couple of events which you can read about below. Attached to this newsletter there is also a Calendar of Events for 2014 which you should keep handy for easy reference.

What does the P&F do?

The St Joseph's P&F provides a formal structure for parents and friends of the school community to participate in activities and to work together for the benefit of the school and children. The elected committee works closely with the school principal to represent the general interests of the whole school community.

Every year the P&F provides funds for recurrent costs and additional spending. In 2014 these amounts are \$58,050 and \$63,070 respectively. These funds will be used to purchase/cover:

- Athletics' programme (Yr 4-7)
- Library Resources
- Student Insurance
- School IT Contribution
- Tennis Court Operational Costs
- Yr 6&7 retreat and t-shirts

- P&F Federation Levy and Audit Fees
- Transport costs
- Landscaping
- Reading area in new library
- 'Out of the Box' tickets
- Literacy and Musical Resources
- Tuckshop resources
- Replacement of fridges as needed
- Band resources
- Cyber Safety

Tuckshop & Uniform Shop

The tuckshop and uniform shop are funded by the P&F and run by our convenor, Julie Duval.

The latest tuckshop menu is available on the school website.

St Joseph's School Website

The school has a great website (www.stjoseph.qld.edu.au) that provides a wealth of information about the school and upcoming events. P&F information can be found under the heading of 'Parents'.

2014 P&F Meeting Dates

Parents are most welcome to attend a P&F meeting. They are generally held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month (unless during the holidays) at 7.30pm in the staff room in the administration block.

We look forward to your support for, and involvement in the P&F in 2014. Volunteer to

help out at one of the events, think about joining the committee in 2015, come along to a meeting, become a fete stall convenor - all great ways of meeting people, having fun and contributing to the school.

2014 P&F Committee:

The following members were elected at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) at the end of 2013 to represent parents of students at St Joseph's in 2014.

Position	Elected Member
President	Julie Wright-Smith
Vice President	Tara Van Eck
Treasurer	Feikje Lockefeer
Secretary	Claire Neumann
Fundraising Coordinator	Margaret Knight
Fete Convenor	Julie Wright-Smith

'Welcome to New Parents' Morning Tea

A morning tea was held for new parents to the school on February 3rd. It was an opportunity for new parents to mingle and for the P&F to explain our role in the school. Thanks to those parents who were able to join us and to Julie Duval for organising the morning tea.

Welcome Dance



The Welcome Dance was held on February 21 and was a fabulous night. Fortunately the rain held off

until pack up. It was wonderful to see so many in the school community come together to have a good time.

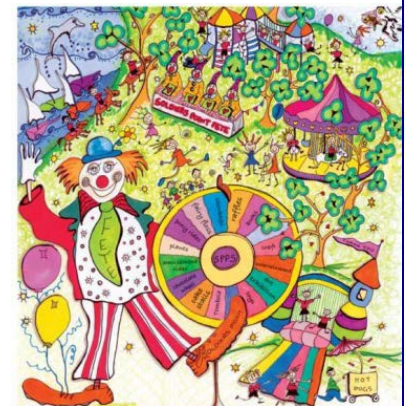
The P&F would like to take this opportunity to thank those parents and staff who assisted with the set up, pack up and worked on the stalls during the night. Our thanks must also go to the Year 6 & 7 students who sold glow-sticks throughout the night and to Tony Deighton who helped with preparation earlier in the week.

Trivia Night – Saturday March 29

This year the trivia night will again be hosted by The Trivia Mill. Get some friends together and organise a table of 10-12 people or submit your form and we will put you on a table with others. (Friends and family from outside the school are also welcome!). A flyer was sent home last week so please see the girls in the office if you haven't received one yet.

St Joseph's School Fete (Sunday 20th July)

This is our major fundraising event for the year and is a great day out for our school community. **The first fete meeting will be held Thursday March 20 at 7:00pm. Look out for details in the school newsletter**



If you would like to assist with the fete preparations in some way (no matter how small), please come along to the meeting or contact Julie Wright-Smith (Fete Convenor) via the P&F email (pfstjoseph@gmail.com).

