

School Board Report 2018

As the Chairman of the St Mary's School Board it gives me great pleasure to report on the events of this year and acknowledge the many people who have contributed to yet another successful and rewarding year for our school and its students.

The School Board is one of the many components that assist our school to run smoothly and effectively. A key role of the Board is to oversee the financial management of the school and to ensure that the facilities and the general maintenance of the school remain at a high standard and that the cost of a Catholic education remains affordable to those within our community.

During the year, the School Board has continued to commit to several infrastructure, maintenance and school ground improvement projects. The most significant project undertaken this year is the nearing finalisation of our negotiations to acquire the land rights over the old bowling club, which is adjacent to our school. This project is of strategic importance to the school and will lay the foundations for the future capital works that will ensure our school continues to be of a standard that we can all be proud of.

As 2018 ends it will be another year that St Mary's Primary School has continued its tradition of providing quality Catholic education to the children of the Goldfields and I would like to thank the Principal, Chris Dunning and Assistant Principals Sue Coyle and Elizabeth Browner for their passion for our school and its students, and the professionalism they display in leading our school and its staff.

St Mary's is very fortunate to have a passionate and professional team of teachers and administration staff. They continue to show a high commitment to cater for all our children's diverse and individual needs and I would like to thank each of the staff members for their contribution to the school throughout the year, not to forget the many hours of extra work they place on supporting the school and its students in extra curricula activities.

I also would like to recognise and thank all the parents who have assisted the school during the year, the time and effort that you place in assisting as volunteers in class activities, sport carnivals or excursions, to name only a few, is greatly appreciated and valued.

As always, at the end of the year we say farewell to our Year Six students as they start the next stage of their educational journey. I am sure they will look back with fond memories of their time with our school and we wish them the very best.

We, as a school, will also say farewell to a number of families and teachers at the end of the year and again we wish them well for the future.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the efforts of the School Board and P&F members. As the Board Chair, I appreciate the support that my fellow Board have shown to me and I would like to thank the past members in Emma Marlow and Steve Hogan and present members Page Harper, Sharon Greber, Fr Hyginus, Marlene Fry, Amanda McLaughlin and Cory Drage for their continued commitment to our school.

It gives me great pride to be a part of St Mary's Primary School and to have the privilege to serve on the School Board.

Terry Fleton

2018 St Mary's Kalgoorlie School Board Chairperson.