Parish Forum Meeting 17.3.14

1. John led to information session and Mrs Barrett accepted the invitation to join the forum and take on the secretary role
2. AGM minutes from 2013 accepted by John and seconded by Ann
3. Minutes accepted by Ann and seconded by John for the meeting of the 17.2.14.
4. Minutes amended to give money to library, science and classroom literacy resources.
5. Principal's Report JW-
   - Catholic Culture and Identity- Kate is in the combined role LOSEC
   - Kate is doing a terrific job- connecting families to the Sacramental Program
   - Confirmation- parents in groups and lead activities during parent sessions- possibility of parishioners being involved to assist also
   - Connection with the parish- Family mass happening more regularly- Twice a term
   - Getting parishioners talking- sharing experiences they have had at the school etc
6. Learning and Results
   - We are trying to achieve high levels of learning
   - Focus on expectations consistent across the school- JW visits rooms
   - Next term the focus is on assessment
   - Movement towards instructional coaching utilising the LOP- consistent practice
   - Pupil free day- assessment- we must let parents know why we are doing it and the benefits that will happen from this.
   - Portfolios going home each term
7. Collaboration
   - Discussion regarding the changes of camp- parent consultation or lack of
   - We are trying to collaborate with the community regarding learning- How can we find ways to engage our parents in this conversation?
   - Through emails/school stream forms/ surveys- must use technology

John’s minutes accepted by Peter and seconded by Ann

AGM- continued

Financial report moved by John and seconded by Emma

We need a financial report for the next meeting- John to call Nicole and follow this up.

Chairman’s report accepted

We would like to take the Discretionary funding to the staff tomorrow. WE may need to look at the way we are spending the $30,000. (refer to 2014 funding plan)

Fundraising goal around technology for 2014 and a master plan to continue to fund this into the future- Looking at different strategies to effectively maintain this area in the future.

JW proposed to modify the discretionary funding allocation based on feedback from the teaching staff according to the draft 2014 funding plan to meet the emerging priorities for 2014,
Moved by John and seconded by Peter.

We need to get a master planning committee up and running for technology and buildings. Look at any new provisions.

**General Meeting**

1. Parent pick up- Tony, John and Peter- walk through today and Peter presented a draft drawing as to the direction we can take to improve parent pick up. **Peter is going to make this into a PDF and send to JW.**
2. We now have a secretary- Mrs Larissa Barrett
3. We need a Treasurer- Kirsty (High school teacher)- give a call
4. Class parent coordinator- Would it make a difference to pay someone for 3 hours a week? If so we would need to advertise this position. secretarial rate?
5. We also discussed paying someone for the Christmas Fair?
6. Add this to the agenda for the next meeting. Writing a job description. We need to talk with others about this and provide some feedback for the next meeting.
7. Mother’s Day- Jo and Sue likely to coordinate and give to Stage 3 class parents to organise.
8. JW to ask Rachel to Send class parents an email inviting them to a morning tea- get them together and begin the discussion around the direction we are heading.
9. Rachel can set up some email groups to assist JW with getting information out. This needs to happen before the end of term.
10. Simone is happy to coordinate the Learning for Life group.
11. Do we need a spokesperson for each group? Someone who can organise meeting and pull the group together. **JW to follow up.**
12. JW is further investigating Constable Nick to come in semester 2.
14. Ann to bring nibbles next meeting 19 May

Meeting Closed at 8:10pm