



***Our Lady of Lourdes School  
Annual School Community Meeting  
P&F President's Report  
Monique Jillett***

Well we were all a little uncertain how 2021 would pan out after a messy 2020 with COVID lockdowns and home-schooling. The first week of term 1 in yet another lockdown was not a great start, but it was all full steam ahead from there.

Term 1 saw in the annual Fun Run with the P&F arranging fruit platters. We also introduced a Tesselaar Bulb fundraiser which proved quite popular as a Mother's Day gift idea.

Term 2 was a busy term with the Art Spectacular Gala Opening night catering and weekend door sales, the first OLOL Mothers Day breakfast which was very well received, Mothers Day Raffle, as well as a good ol country hoe-down at the OLOL Disco.

Term 3 was another busy term, with the popular Father's Day Breakfast, the first OLOL P&F Quiz Night which was a tonne of fun, and the Bull and Barrel Festival Sweet Landings stall. Unfortunately due to our high and late rainfall, the parking paddock was deemed not suitable for parking, which was a great financial loss to the school. Fortunately, a successful Quiz Night balanced out loss of projected income.

Term 4 saw the P&F celebrating our wonderful teachers on World Teacher's Day, honouring our Grandparents on Grandparents Day, the always popular Book Fair lead by Emma Tyrell and yet to come is our highly anticipated Christmas Raffle with some amazing cash prizes!

Other events have included the weekly Lapping Legends which has grown from strength to strength under the guidance and efforts of Elle Barbetti and her team. We are forever grateful to Elle and the legacy she has left at OLOL and thank her for leaving with a succession plan to continue its success. Emma Tyrell has continued to lead the Entertainment Book fundraiser, and we acknowledge and thank Emma for her ongoing commitment to the P&F.

The success of this year has been greatly attributed to the efforts and generosity of our school and wider community. A big THANK YOU to our volunteers, donors and sponsors (directly and indirectly linked to our school), Class Representatives, families and teachers who have supported events. We acknowledge and understand the crazy pace and commitments of family and working life, but can never underestimate the power in coming together as a community. AND the importance that our next generation, our children, see us working together as a community, to achieve our goals. I can guarantee that everyone who has walked away from volunteering at a school event, has done so with a smile on their face and sense of comradery. Its infectious.

A busy year has meant the P&F has been able to support our school and families through:

- Subsidising year 5 and 6 camps

- Subsidising the art work for the Year 6 leavers shirts
- Funding buses for school swimming lessons
- Funding items on the teachers wish list
- Funding gifts for leaving families
- Funding gifts for the Year 6 leavers
- Funding new Lego to start up the School Lego Club
- Funding new Sports Equipment with the support of the Dardanup Lions Club
- Purchasing new flags and banners for our school to display at community events
- Funding towards the AR reading program for upper school students
- Funding towards the lower school reading program
- New books for the library as part of the book fair
- And we have also pledged funds towards buying a new portable sound system for the school in 2021 to use at school and community events.

To the P&F Committee, thank you for your support, the laughs, the coffees and the fierce work ethic. We all feel so much more confident going into our second year as the executive committee with this year's experiences. 2022's focus is to continue to build the school community spirit through our events, and plan some changes in the schedule to ensure more of a balance across the school year. We are also in discussion with Angela at the moment about an exciting project for 2022... so come along and get involved at our 2022 meetings!

Monique Jillett  
P&F President