Thanks everyone for coming tonight. I would like to start with thanking the three other important executive members: Jo, Renae and Medrica for all their support and guidance. Together we have worked this year to ensure important projects are funded, extra resources are generated and deadlines are met.

To the wonderful class parent representatives who put their hand up last year and have been an effective channel of communication to each parent group and co-ordinating their nominated fundraiser/friend raiser - I think you're all an amazing tribe of community-minded parents.

Pre Primary coordinated the Mother's Days Morning Tea

Year 1 looked after the Easter Raffle and Big School Booklet

Year 2 class representatives hosted the School Disco

Year 3 coordinated the catering of Grandparents Morning Tea, in which we saw record attendance numbers and the Reconciliation sausage sizzle.

Class representatives from Year 4 catered for the Father's Day Breakfast which again had record numbers with over 300 attending.

Year 5 held a fantastic community sausage sizzle after their 60 Minute Challenge

The sports carnival catering was hosted by Year 6 class representatives

Other contributions included the football tipping and the MPR equipment stocktake by Kindergarten.

The balance of friend raisers to fundraisers remains at the forefront of the forward planning meeting each October and is certainly reflective here when looking back at our calendar of events this 2018.

We are proud to have supported many projects benefiting all students, teachers and parents.

The P & F invested a total of \$42,590 this year that went towards

Nature Play,

Year Books,

Supersonic Incursion,

Classroom iPads for the junior primary

CD player in Year 5 classroom

Early learning equipment for the 3 Year Old Program

AR books and the BIG ticketed item of over \$18,000 for the classroom projectors

So as at this week we have over \$19,500 as a cash balance, not bad for a single stream primary school!

Last month the Executive hosted the 2019 forward planning meeting. Proudly we left with 90% of class rep positions filled. So tonight it's a great achievement to announce that all positions for class and liaison reps, Book Fair, and even the football tipping position has been filled for next year. We also welcome our

3 Year Old Program class reps for the first time, they will simply be an important channel of communication between the P & F and the parent body. We continue to ensure the bridge between the Early Learning Centre and the BIG school remains open at all times. Many thanks to Paul for his great support towards the P & F, we are truly grateful for your positivity and enthusiastic way you embrace the parent body here at St Mary's.

To all the Board Members we are grateful to be in a position to assist in joint-funding school projects and thank you to each and all for your hours of hard work.

There will be a re-shuffle next year in terms of the Executive Committee as I am leaving St Mary's with many fond memories after 11 years. Medrica is also stepping down as Vice-President.

With a hint of sadness signing off here at St Mary's for my final time.

**BUT** and it's a BIG BUT, when you progress from St Mary's to BCC feel free to attend the P & F meetings as numbers are VERY low. It's just such a rewarding experience to get involved with your children's educational journey.

Thanks to everyone here for all your commitment and attending meetings as it's a group effort that allows our school to continue flourishing with extra resources.

Thank You

Suzanne

President P & F