



WESTMINSTER P&C NEWS ISSUE 15 – 4th December 2014

We are almost at the end of another school year and what a year it's been! Looking back, 2014 was an exciting, eventful and successful year for the P&C and the Westminster Community. Some of the highlights for the P&C include the complimentary ANZAC Day morning tea, the Bunnings Sausage Sizzle to raise funds for the Drum Beat Program, our participation with the Sports Carnivals, the ever popular Footy Finals Fever Day, the Rainbow Disco and our successful Mother's Day and Father's Day raffles. Some of the events that impacted our community included the departure of Mr Peter Mulcahy, the announcement of the Independent Public School status for our schools, the new role for Mr Chris Flynn and the opening of the Child and Parent Centre.

I would like to acknowledge our Principals (past and present) Ms Beverley Jones, Mr Gary Hobson, Mr Chris Flynn, Mr Paul Marshall and Mr Peter Mulcahy for their continued support and valuable contribution to the Westminster Community and our P&C during 2014. We are fortunate that the three Westminster Schools have always worked well together and aligned decisions that were for the benefit of our children and for the entire Community.

The Westminster Schools P&C is a small but dynamic group of dedicated and committed parents and volunteers. Without the determination, enthusiasm and hard work of the Executive Committee, the P&C would not function. It would be remiss of me not to acknowledge our Treasurer Mr Norman Gibbons who has devoted many tireless hours to ensure that our Uniform Shop, the Canteen and our many sausage sizzles were co-ordinated and run efficiently. Norm, thanks for your continued support and commitment, we got there in the end!

To our enthusiastic volunteers who offered their support and assistance during the year, your contribution has been invaluable. Your efforts in the Canteen, the Uniform Shop and at our fundraising events have not gone unnoticed or appreciated. Thank you for your contribution to your P&C and the Westminster community.

Mrs Liesl Smithers was once again at the helm of our Canteen. She was creative and innovative with the menu and was always "excited" to go along with "theme" days I encouraged her to have. Although she farewelled her long standing helper, Brogan Gibbons, she managed (only just - with minimal help) to keep the canteen afloat during Terms 3 & 4. Thanks to our new volunteers who came on board during the last few weeks of Term 4 to offer their help, it was greatly appreciated. To Liesl and her helpers, thank you for all your efforts in making 2014 another successful year.

What's on in December

P & C Meeting - Monday 8th December

The last P&C Meeting for 2014 will be held on Monday starting at 6.30pm in the Westminster Junior School staff room. Come along and show your support one last time.

Canteen:

Just a reminder, that the last trading day for the canteen will be **Thursday 18th December (last day of term)**. The canteen will be trying to run down stock over the last 2 weeks of the term and some items may be in limited supply – please check with Liesl.

Uniform Shop Hours 2015

The Uniform Shop will be open as follows:

Friday: 30th January 2015 between 9am and 12.00pm (before Term 1 starts)

Then as follows:

Week 1: 2nd February to 5th February 2015- Monday to Friday from 8.30 am to 10.00 am

Week 2: 9th February to 13th February 2015- Monday to Friday from 8.30 am to 9.30 am

Week 3 onwards: Open every Tuesday from 8.30 am to 9.30 am (ONLY)

Well it's time to sign off for 2014. On behalf of Westminster Schools P&C we hope that all our students, parents, carers and staff have a safe and restful holiday. We hope that you enjoy some precious time with loved ones and friends. We also extend our congratulations to our 2014 Year 6 and 7's on their upcoming graduations and wish them well in 2015 as they start their next journey at their respective high schools. Thank you to all for your support and encouragement and we look forward to an exciting and challenging 2015.