

2021 St Pius X Chairman's End of Year Chairman's Report

On behalf of the St Pius X School Advisory Council, I would like to thank those who attended the AGM and for your continued support of our school and community.

I would like to acknowledge my fellow Council members who are all very proud to be supporting the St Pius X community. Deirdre Gleeson (Secretary), Adam Sofoulis (Treasurer), Bryan Dennis, Jayne Kingwell, Kim Passmore, Marie Chaperon, Father Patrick Lim, Kim Hughes and Melissa Vranjes and our P & F representative and President of the P & F, Nick Sertis.

Yet again we had a year filled with excitement and challenges. The global pandemic continued to impact the way in which our school operated and interacted with the wider community. We had to ensure compliance with government regulations in order to keep our children safe all while ensuring that we were physically distant but being mindful that we were not being socially distant.

What was great to see was that our students didn't miss out on any activities. We had a wide variety of activities throughout the year with swimming/athletic and cricket carnivals, school discos, confirmation mass, mother's day, quiz night, movie night, parents breakfast, first holy communion, year 6 camp, the launching of the fathering project, father's day and grandparents mass. None of these events would have been possible had it not been for the adaptability and resilience of our community. A huge thanks to all who assisted.

2021 continued our focus on the successful implementation of the COVID action plans as directed by CEWA however this year we were able to have some focus on school improvements and infrastructure spend. Some upgrades were made to the railing in the kindy verandah and we will have a brand new surface applied to our basketball courts before the end of the calendar year.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to a number of people who make St Pius X the school that it is today.

Thank you to our teachers and administrative staff, the members of our Advisory Council and P & F committees – the work you do for our school is appreciated in so many ways.

Thanks to Father Patrick Lim who has provided the school community with spiritual guidance and a very strong connection between the school and the St Pius Parish.

To our students – we are all so proud of you and what you achieve. The enthusiasm and joy you bring to our school make it an amazing place for all. And thanks to the parents for encouraging and supporting your children to be good members of the St Pius X Community.

Thanks to those members of the P&F or School Advisory Council who are retiring this year – a sincere and huge thank you for your voluntary service.

Despite all the adversity that the world is going through right now I feel that the St Pius X school is in a prosperous position for the years ahead. We remain strong in our teaching capability and ethos and provide our students with the necessary tools and environment to learn and grow.

The school community is connected and supportive of each other. We live by our school motto of Faith and Friendship, and it is this focus on faith and service to the community that strengthens our desire to create students who are given every opportunity to be their best.

It was again an honour and a privilege to serve as the Advisory Council Chairman for the St Pius X Primary School and contribute to the school and its community in 2021. This year was my last year on the Council and I have truly appreciated and enjoyed my time to serve and look forward to a bright future for the St Pius school and community.

Thank you

Chet Richardson

Chairman – St Pius X Catholic Primary School Advisory Council

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