

P&F AGM Presidents Report – Ruby Rhodes

Dear Community Members of Kalinda PS,

2023, saw the first full school year of the Parents and Friends Association social activities since the impacts of the Covid-19 Pandemic. We supported the school Production “Oh what a Knight!” by running a Kiosk both nights, we ran a bake sale for Open Night where our community spirit shone with the beautiful donations of baked items such as cakes, slices, and cupcakes. The Mother’s and Father’s Day stalls are always a highlight, where we see the joy and kids’ excitement as they choose gifts for their loved ones.

The whole school enjoyed a daytime Disco, where the energy was high and so much fun indulged in, with kids, teachers & parent volunteers alike. We ran an appreciation morning tea for teachers, and a welcome morning tea for our foundation families, and it was so lovely to see new members of our community come along and enjoy the opportunity to meet one another and establishing important connections that will last throughout their primary school years (and hopefully, beyond!).

It was wonderful to see the Kalinda community hear our call out for volunteers to help run icy pole days, the open classroom BBQ and set up the Carols BBQ. And what about those food trucks!

We revised our Constitution to progress with the times and were able to secure a class liaison for each year level/class in the school (all by the first week of term!), which is a wonderful effort, and I thank each class liaison for taking on the role and being so engaged with your cohort.

It is also such an honour to say, with all the effort in fundraising, that the P&F were able to donate a substantial amount, to pay for Grade 6 Graduation Pennants and to contribute to the cost of their yearbook.

I would like to personally thank all committee members for your marvellous efforts in coordinating event tasks (you are all high achievers in my eyes!), and our P&F supporters, Shaun, Lauren and staff, and our fantastic Kalinda community for hearing our calls for help and answering by showing up. Thank you for your help and support.

Without your support, these events would not run as stress free as they do, so yet again, I urge our community to show up and support the fantastic planning effort that go into every one of our events, to ensure that our community have a happy and memorable social experience.

To ensure the overall success of the P&F association, volunteers are most invaluable, and as a group we must continue to support one another, share ideas and tasks, be clear and help where we can.

If you would like more information, please contact any member of the Committee, or send us an email at: kalindapandf@gmail.com

Best wishes for an exciting, event(full) year!

Ruby Rhodes, President (2021-2023).