

With a “normal” 2022 almost behind us, it has been great to see our school and its community reengaged and connected this year and to see and welcome the new families that have joined us over the last few years. The PA’s role has been to help encourage a supportive school community and to raise funds for the school’s masterplan. To that end we have been busy organizing a number of events and fund raisers including the Foundation welcome night, the school disco, the color run, the mid-year parent’s function and the ever popular mother’s day and father’s day breakfasts.

The highlight of the year was the school fair held on 22nd October which, after a 2 year hiatus, was opened back up to the parish and the broader community. Highlights of the day included a wonderful performance from the junior and senior choirs, a spirited live auction and lots of happy people enjoying the rides, food and beverage, and even getting to hold a snake! It was fantastic to see so many families, past and present, enjoying the day. We were able to raise approximately \$30,000 which will contribute to school’s masterplan (The first part of this, the Landscaping plan, is about to commence!!). My thanks go to all our sponsors, families and others (including the weather gods) who helped make the Fair the success it was.

All of these things don’t happen by themselves and I thank all those who have put their hand up to fill specific PA roles and committees and those who volunteered to organize specific events. It is people like you who help keep our school the strong and vibrant place it is. To Marty, Matt and your team, my thanks for your efforts in providing the structure and the learning environment that our kids enjoy.

To Jen McGrath your energy and enthusiasm in chairing the fair committee has been brilliant and to Chris Knott, my fellow PA coordinator and sausage turner, thanks for the enormous work you do.

As we exit the school at the end of this year, we are thankful for the opportunity to be part of this wonderful school. Expect bigger things next year with Jen and Chris at the helm!

I wish everyone a wonderful festive season and an exciting year ahead.

Andrew Maxwell