



# **CORRIMAL PUBLIC SCHOOL**

## **PARENTS & CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION**

### **2014 P&C President's Report** *AGM -9th September 2014*

The past twelve months has been a year of transition for Corrimal Public School with the arrival of a new teaching principal, veteran teachers leaving, new ones arriving, and half of our P&C Executive committee being made up of new faces coming on board for the first time, myself being one. Following in the footsteps of dedicated and hardworking past president Hazel Flynn was a little daunting, but I have found it to be a rewarding and great learning experience for me. It has been a privilege to represent the parents and citizens of Corrimal Public School as President of this P & C Association.

Our major goal for the P&C at the end of 2013 was to raise enough funds to provide 20 laptops for the school to be shared among classes from K-6. Thanks to the local businesses and other individuals who donated to our Computers for Kids program, and fundraising events such as our school fete, we were able to reach our goal. These past nine months we are now working towards raising enough funds to replace our unreliable and out of date multimedia/sound system in our school hall. This will be achieved through our Cooperate Sponsorship program we introduced this year and our school fundraising. Thanks to a large Corrimal Lions Club donation and successful Bunning's BBQ, Mother's Day Stall, Father's Day Stalls and our upcoming Trivia Night we are well on our way to reaching this goal hopefully by the end of this year, if not early next year.

Our P&C provides a number of services for students and families and have undergone a number of improvements over the months. This year we have seen our School Canteen recently introduce a new menu providing healthier options for our children. Thank you to our outgoing Canteen President Annemarie and the canteen committee for all of your efforts throughout 2013-2014. Our Uniform Shop now has several parent volunteers running it and has gone from being open once a week to being open two days a week and provides an online order form making it more convenient for families to purchase items. Last October we began our first Kindy Playgroup to help prepare those starting kindergarten in February to help transition into school life. It has been so successful, that we are doing it again this year.

A thank you must also go to the parents and caregivers who continue to support the school each year by participating in the various fundraising events throughout the year. It has been great to see so many parents and carers find a way to support the school and the P&C, whether it's by working in the canteen, donating stall gifts, doing guided reading, organizing school banking, taking a shift at a fundraising barbecue, turning up to our biennial fete or Carols night, or any of the other countless things people do that make a difference.

The P&C would also like to thank our school principal Mr. Tim Fisher, all the teaching staff and office staff for being so supportive of the P&C and our work. The work they do for the school during the day and after school hours shows a passion and commitment to their roles that is to be highly commended.

Lastly I would like to sincerely thank all members of the P&C and in particular the outgoing Executive Committee- Bek P, Matt K, Delina G and Paul L for their enormous efforts in overseeing the Association's operation throughout 2013- 2014.

The P & C provides a very important function in the school community – it promotes the interests of the school by bringing together parents, citizens, students and teachers into close cooperation. It is essential we, as the only body in the school representing parents, remember that we all must work together to make Corrimal Pu an engaging learning environment. All parents are welcomed to our meetings held in the second Tuesday of each month during the school term. Come along and join in the discussion about your child's education.

**Lenora Carney -September 2014**