

## **President Report – AGM 14 March 2018**

The P&C's key role is to support the school through financial assistance in equipment, facilities & programs; parent / carer involvement & cooperation; and awareness to members of curriculum and other educational topics.

2017 was a successful year for the P&C on all fronts. This would not have been possible if it was not for the many people, both within the school and the broader community, who have helped. I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation and admiration to each and every person who has made any type of contribution in support of the Bangalow Public School throughout 2017.

The P&C is in a strong financial position and continue to operate a well functioning canteen and uniform shop.

### Canteen

Throughout the 2017 year our Canteen Supervisor was Katrina Cavelleri. I would like to acknowledge and thank her for the amazing effort that she put into the Canteen throughout the year. At the end of 2017 a new Canteen Supervisor, Sunny Dugbaza, was appointed for 2018. Sunny is a new parent to the school and has done an amazing job in taking the canteen over and starting the transition and implementation of the 'Nutrition in Schools Policy.

The success of the canteen would certainly not happen without the great support of numerous volunteers. So a big thank you to all of them.

### Uniform Shop

Louise Grofski has done a wonderful job of operating the uniform shop during the year. Louise continues to liaise with supplies on quality, timely delivery and cost effective supply. A very big thank you to Louise.

In 2017 the P&C fundraising, financial and school community and administration support has been significant, as follows:

### **Fundraising Achievements:**

- Mad Hatters Raffle – annual major fundraiser. The raising of \$15,000 through a raffle was incredible. Our thanks go to Cath Rogers, the amazing people and companies donating the prizes and the wonderful volunteers
- Mad Hatters Event – annual major fundraiser. An incredible event due to so many people but a special mention to Kath Lindgren and Sophie Leslie.
- Sports Carnival Canteen
- Bangalow Bluegrass festival Lemonade & Ice Tea Stall – a thank you to Fletcher
- Bangalow Bowling Club raffles
- Canteen & Uniform Shop
- Bangalow Market – car parking & cake stall
- Bangalow Designer Markets – Lemonade stall

### **Key Financial Support:**

- Welfare programs – Parent Resilience Workshops x 2 - \$3,000
- Purchased 3 x Whiteboard projectors - \$8,500
- Allocated \$4000 to STEM kits
- Monies towards literacy box, home readers & library books
- Purchased Apple licence fee & service \$2,350

- Allocated \$5,500 for 10 laptops
- Purchased Soundfield / microphone system for class room \$2,000
- Completion of landscaping and learning space between 5/6 classroom & staff office building
- Allocations of \$8,850 and \$12,000 for Activity Zone playground and storage shed respectively remain allocated and a focus to finalise.

#### **School Community Support:**

- Kindy orientation
- Welcome to Kindy parents morning tea
- Lodged objection and addressed Byron council on Station St DA
- Participated in Bangalow master planning sub-committee
- Participated in Bangalow paid parking consultation meetings

#### **School Administration:**

- Certificate of Currency (General Public Liability Insurance) and renewal of P&C Affiliation
- Monthly meeting reports
- Treasurer – monthly reconciliation of all P&C accounts and organisation of the annual audit.
- Background work on and rectification of the status of the ABN
- Continued development, that requires further work, on the database of membership as well as collation of communication and documents of the P&C.

#### **Communication and Membership**

In partnership with the school a Facebook page was launched, 'Bangalow Public School Community' as another communication channel to our school community. It has been successful with approximately 150 followers and allowing the ability for interaction rather than a one way flow of information.

The opportunity to further enhance a wider spread of communication and involvement within our school community is still prevalent. This is also very relevant for our level of membership that requires further uptake for the continued success of the P&C.

In closing there are two important appreciations I would like to give.

Firstly, to the other officer bearers – Bron (Vice President), Donna (Treasurer), Viv (Secretary) and Joady (Secretary) your behind the scenes work made a very successful 2017 for our P&C and school. So thank you.

Secondly, I would personally like to thank on my own behalf and that of the P&C a heartfelt thank you to the staff of the Bangalow Public School and Larissa Polak for doing an amazing job in educating our children, enhancing their personalities and looking after their welfare. Thank you.

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