General Meeting Minutes – 17th May 2016

Welcome: 7pm

1. Attendance:
   Robert Peers, Todd Vane-Tempest, Chantal Bush, Lorna deCourcy, Lenise McIntosh, Sandra Husk, Amanda Yates, Kylie Greenfield

2. Apologies:
   Silvana Ratay, Sally Belford, Lisa Wilson, Laura Dawson, Katie Moss

3. Confirmation of previous minutes: Chantal and Lorna

4. Reports

Principal’s Report:
- There have been lots of successful events since our last General meeting. Some of these include:
  - A very successful Enrolment Information night – with very positive feedback following
  - Stations of the Cross Liturgy
  - Beautiful Easter Liturgy, including the welcome to new Catholic families in our school
  - Cross Country Carnival held here
  - Student and then parent group investigation of Playground options (separate report following)
  - Beginnings of the BYODD rollout in Years 4 & 5
  - Launch of Diocesan Early Learning Statement here at school
  - A very big, and successful Grandparents’ Day on the last day of term (Thanks K-2 parents & Daytime Committee for all the catering)
  - Numerous enrolment interviews for Kindergarten (still going on in earnest)
  - Anzac Dawn Service, poppy display and school-based Liturgy
  - CCC Cross Country
  - Very successful Mothers Muffins and Maths morning.
  - NAPLAN in Years 3&5
  - The wonderful parish and school celebration for Janette Merrotsy

Coming Up:
- Athletics Carnival at Mingara
- Year 5 overnight Bathurst excursion
• Yr 4 Student and Teacher presentation re use of iPads as learning tools at Broken bay Learning Summit
• Mufti Day for Children’s Cancer
• Term 3 Musical auditions
• Year 6 Canberra Excursion
• Kia-May Wall Maternity Leave. New teacher tba
• Reports and Parent-Teacher interviews (agenda being taken up by Parent Council)
• Parent Feedback night – iPads for learning in Week 8

There are also numerous other day to day activities taking place in our dynamic and eventful community. Thank you to the many parents who are supportive and work towards the continuous improvement in our community.

Treasurer’s report:

5. Playground Update:
   • The working party and some students visited a number of schools to formulate ideas for the playground revamp.
   • A draft design has been put forward that incorporates the ideas put forward however there are still numerous issues to be resolved before work on the playground can commence including drainage, finalizing the design and costings. The draft design was shown to the meeting group.
   • A meeting with the Playground Working Party group is to be organized to move this project forward.

6. Correspondence:
   • Nothing of importance to report.

7. New Business:

School Uniforms
   • Lorna and Chantal to look at what options we have regarding uniform suppliers as the school’s contract with Alinta concludes at the end of the year.
   • There are various problems that parents have had with the uniform quality (mainly the boys long pants) and sizing (across the board) that need to be resolved.
   • There are also other school bag options that we would like Alinta to look at ie) adding extra padding to the school backpacks to further protect iPads etc.
   • Robert to organize a meeting with Brian Williams to discuss.

8. Close: 8pm

9. Next meeting: Thursday, 11\textsuperscript{th} August 2016 at 8:45am (School Hall)