 Welcome everyone to the 2016 P & F AGM; firstly I would like to thank the P&F Executive Committee.

Mel Sorgiovanni- Vice President and our Secretary, Anita Teakle-Treasurer, our Principal- Ben Doyle, the school Board, parents, teachers and administration staff at St Francis for their endless support of the P&F.

Our focus over the past few years has been to Community build within the school, giving back to our parent group who continue to support P & F fundraising initiatives throughout the year, and this year I feel we have succeeded.

In summary of our 2016 fundraising -

**The Easter raffle** continues to be the biggest every year, Over 25 baskets of eggs were raffled again this year with a profit of over $3900

**Year 4&5 Father and Child Campout**
In March this was held, a great social experience & community building event, allowing Dad’s a rare opportunity to get together.
Dinner, snacks, breakfast and drinks were mostly all donated by local businesses in town, which allows us to profit from this event bringing in over $1400.
This annual event is now into its 7th year and has been scheduled in Term 1 again for 2017.

**Kindy and Pre-Primary Art Show**
Thanks to Kirsten McCauley for the organization of this bi-annual event, it brings a great and different atmosphere to the school grounds, and was enjoyed by all.

**2nd Hand Uniform Shop**
Thanks Suzie Halden, your commitment to the Uniform Shop makes it a very successful venture for our school. Suzie puts in a huge amount of hours and is recognized for running around the school sorting parents and kids out endlessly with their uniforms, and keeps them looking great. Suzie loves the numbers so I must mention she has made this year so far... $1170- for the school. Thanks again Suzie

**Crazy Camel & Junior Disco**
Simone Watson needs a huge thank you for solely coordinating the crazy camel artwork this year; it is a big job and she has done it so well. Simone and her team also organized a junior disco in term 1 that was so much fun for the kids, so well organized and a pleasure to be a part of. The junior kids are very lucky to have you be the chief of that event, as it wouldn’t be possible to go ahead with without people like you.
While we have done some great fundraising, we have also brightened up the canteen, which was done by a local Artist, and looks great. We have also installed a new PA system which enhances the quality of sound for all the kids assemblies throughout the year, and is used for many other occasions.

**Still to come**

There is still more to come with the feast day celebrations on 2nd December, the P&F will put on an afternoon of bouncy castles, live music, fairy face painters, food and gelato stalls and many more activities to keep the kids amused and family’s engaged in our amazing school community and also the end of year concert in a few weeks.

We have also recently approved the refurbishment of the Early Childhood Area. This will be done over the school holidays and will include the removal of some old structures and some new limestone play areas being built as a starting point for new play equipment and structures being fitted in early 2017.

The P&F Committee will continue to focus on building community spirit at St Francis and have plans for an exciting year in 2017. I’d like to thank the many people who continuously put their hands up and help at our events, which benefit of our kids and St Francis School.

I look forward to working with current and new members of the P&F committee and parent group of St Francis in 2017.

Thank you

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