

On behalf of the P&F, I would like to thank all in our community for their dedication and continued support of the Family Involvement Program and for taking part in the fundraising activities which have ensured the ongoing success of our association. I am very grateful for the commitment shown as we would not function without such dedicated parents and friends.

Our fundraising enables us to continually contribute to the RACV Energy Challenge, Chibobo, Auskick, Artist in Residence Program and many 'wish list' projects for the College. In 2015, I was thrilled that we approved funding to contribute to a major project for the Taylors Lakes Campus which is the soccer pitch project, a natural turf, full size soccer pitch.

The Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls, Easter Raffle and Chocolate Drive are just a few of our regular activities that were again conducted in 2015, raising additional funds to devote to 'wish list' items for the College.

We continued to operate a weekly BBQ outside the Taylors Lakes Campus gymnasium, and during 2015 this activity has continued to grow from strength to strength, with the introduction of new items with much dedication and perseverance from committee member, Nick Alexiou. This activity has expanded and has become a huge success and clearly promotes to all basketball players and spectator's the essence of our College.

The Annual Fair was again an enormous success despite a cold early start to the day. We managed to make in excess of \$40,000 which is an amazing effort. A huge thank you to Shane Lalor and his team of Fair co-ordinators for organising this trademark community event. Our Fair makes a wonderful financial contribution to the College however, even more importantly, this event truly represents the fabric of our College.

None of this would have been possible without the support of the OACC community and the amazing work done by the Parent Support Teams, the Fair Committee, the P&F Fundraising groups and the working group co-ordinators.

The P&F committee have a passion and dedication for the College and with some new initiatives on the agenda, 2016 will be another exciting year of change and progress for us all.

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