

Latest update from the PTA - December 2014

Once again the Sheffield School PTA has had another busy year fundraising for the school and students. We have catered at various events from the Malvern Hills trail bike ride, the Malvern Collie Club dog trial event, the Wings and Wheels day, the Bell Hill Challenge, Athletics day and Pet day as well as various other events as they have come up during the year.

All this catering and fundraising has made it possible for the PTA to contribute to our school in many significant ways. This year we have been able to pay for each students school swimming lessons in term one, replace the embroidering on the school sports jackets which has made them look almost brand new again. The PEAK flags which are at the front of the school were also updated this year along with painting of the Green Screen. Years 4/5/6 enjoyed a years subscription to the Mathletics website and years 1/2/3 enjoyed a community BBQ. Not to be left out the PTA has replaced and purchased various items that are used regularly on our catering gigs. The PTA also paid a contribution towards our senior camp so as to keep the camp fees low for our families. Our biggest contribution to Sheffield School this year was the purchase of new furniture for our Modern Learning Environment.

At the Beginning of Term 3 the PTA held a meet the mums night. This was a successful night held at the Sheffield Hotel and it is our aim to have an event like this annually, as it was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who attended. Also held in term 3 was our annual school disco. This year we changed from hosting a Halloween disco to a winter wonderland and with Chris Singh as our DJ the children all had an enjoyable fun evening of games and dancing amongst themselves and also with their parents and teachers.

At the AGM in June there was a complete change of Office Bearers. Vikki Buck stepped down as Chairperson and was replaced by myself Sally Banks. Loretta Paterson stepped down as treasurer and was replaced by Nancy Wright and Kerri Booth took on the position of Secretary from myself. I extend a huge thank you to Vikki and Loretta for all their hard work as office bearers. We also welcomed new committee members Matthew O'Sullivan, Helene Kelly and Rhonda Molloy as well as continuing members of the PTA Loretta Paterson, Steph Wason and Nick Pratt. I thank each of you for all your support in my first 6 months as Chairperson. As always we welcome anyone who would like to join the PTA through out the year. You don't have to wait until the AGM please come along to our next meeting and join in the fun that is Sheffield School PTA.

I must again thank Vikki for everything she has done for the PTA over the years. Vikki has been a long time member and office bearer of the PTA and an invaluable source of local knowledge, ideas, catering knowhow and hard work. She will be very much missed from the committee and the school community.

The PTA also extends a huge thank you to all families leaving Sheffield school this year. Lastly a huge thank you to everyone who has helped out and contributed to the successful year that the PTA has had, without the tireless work, phone calls, offers of help, fundraising ideas, sausage flipping, bacon cooking, sandwich making and donations the PTA would not be able to contribute to Sheffield school and its students in the ways it has this year. We wish each and every one of you and your family and friends a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Everyone please be safe over the summer holidays and we look forward to seeing you all back at Sheffield School in 2015 for another jam packed year.

Sally and Team