**Junior School Supporters’ Group**

**President’s Report – 25th July 2017**

Our last two meetings we have really focused our discussions on reconnecting with the JS community. We feel that this is the most important avenue to focus on as it needs rebuilding. There is a lot of Term 3 (post fair) and Term 4 activities planned for the JS, such as our Disco Skating Night, the FOC Dance at the end of morphing week, camping is being planned and a movie night is still in the works. We have decided that we are going to forego our Term 3 carpark raffle, as we feel there is too much going on with the fair. There will be a teatowel fundraiser in Term 4.

Apart from events/activities we are also focusing community projects which could engage all year levels of the JS during break-times, such as a mural, or art project which would be focused, or based, around the 5 learning realms. This would encourage involvement, positivity and would fit in with the cross-year level structure of the new houses groups. Hopefully once the necessary parties have been spoken to and it's decided, agreed, and planned, this can be an ongoing activity. Once completed, we would like the artworks to be displayed on the blank walls of the JS buildings, or deoending on the works in the gardenbeds that do not grow due to sun exposure, offering more of an insight into learning and making it more engaging for parents, also more inviting and colourful for visitors/future parents.

To continue with this theme, we have received feedback from teachers etc, that children are struggling with the concept of money. To help with this understanding, with the help of Justin Hill, we are going to be building a stall, which at this stage will be set-up once a term (for now) whereby children can sell and buy homebaked goods or toys. Students will use real money, and nothing eill be an even number. This will also prepare students when they need to venture to the daunting tuckshop.

We are also introducing the Commonwealth Bank Dollarmites School Banking program Pre-Prep-6 as this provides a fun, interactive and engaging way for our students to learn about money and develop good saving habits. This will start after the fair. This is on a 12 month trial.

There is a lot going on in the JS! If you've got some free time, or you can offer any assistance, please let me know.

Thanks,

Danielle Page

President