

LCPS School Advisory Council Chair Report 2022

2022 will be one of those years that will be remembered by many of us as the year that we lost Queen Elizabeth II, and the year King Charles III started his reign. Truly a world moment in time.

On a more local scale, here at Leschenault Catholic Primary School, we also had a change at the very top, with a new Principal, Daniel Graves taking over from Mrs. Kerry Hewitson.

Daniel commenced his first year with us, bringing fresh ideas and great enthusiasm to our meetings. He has a great desire to make the promote the school and make it the best it can be by, amongst other things, providing staff with opportunities to undertake self-development and training to ensure they remain motivated, contemporary and are thus able to bring out the best in our children.

I had my first look at Leschenault Catholic Primary School in 2016 with my youngest child in Kindy. Since that time, I have watched as the school develop, particularly with the building of the basketball courts and changing of the school oval.

In 2020 I applied to become a member of the school board as it was known then as I wanted to assist the school by volunteering some of my time.

This has given me great insight into the running of the school and some of the amazing staff that we are fortunate enough to have. The Council meets about twice each term to discuss the school's position, the principal gives a report, as does the Treasurer and general business regarding the school takes place. This is when maintenance requirements and school improvements are discussed and approved where necessary. Most meetings take about an hour, so no huge time commitment is needed. If you want to help by joining the School Advisory Council, please speak to any of the council members.

As an example of what was achieved this year,

- New ride on Mower
- Upgrade IT equipment
- Direction boards around school grounds
- Painting and electrical maintenance
- Approval for major renovation of Kindy playgrounds to be completed in 2023
- New drink fountains

It would be remiss of me not to mention the fabulous work of the P&F Committee who run the school discos, raffles, movie nights and the slime run. Again, without people volunteering their time to assist, these magnificent events would not be run, they are done to benefit our children and thanks to all those wonderful people who help.

Finally, to our year 6 students moving onto to high school, or those leaving us, on behalf of the council I wish you all the best in the next stage of your education and hope that the friendships you have made at Leschenault remain with you.

I wish you all a safe, healthy, and happy festive season and look forward to seeing those of you returning next year.

Louis Williams (School Advisory Council Chairperson)

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