

Riverton Primary Campus

Annual Board Report 2018

Riverton Primary Campus Board is well and truly established, and this past year involved building on community members' knowledge of school management, promoting community engagement and identifying specific needs of our school.

School Board meetings are held twice each term, on the third and ninth week of each school term. These meetings over the last year have centred on four key areas;

Ongoing Education for Community Board Members to understand the nature of our campus

- At least once a term a staff member was invited to address the Board to share how they worked with the school to promote the successful implementation of the business plans.
- A number of board members attended different professional development opportunities to broaden their understanding of school operations and broad range of demands on school staff.
- The Board visited a classroom to learn about how the physical layout of a space can promote positive learning opportunities.

Ongoing reflection and revising of the Business plans for both Mainstream and Education Support Centre

- The Board continues to revisit both school business plans to ensure each represents our priorities of inclusion, excellence in teaching and learning in line with Education Department priorities.
- Department of Education representatives will be visiting our campus later this year to assess how the schools' are progressing in meeting the goals of each plan. The Board will continue to provide a place for reflection and accountability through asking questions; reviewing assessment data and targets; and through presentations from staff on new teaching practices. This will prepare the administration staff for a successful Departmental review.
- The Business plans are available via our website for all to read. It is important to note that the Business Plans are working documents and may change as knowledge and needs at the school change.

The School Canteen Revitalisation

- The Board was informed of the need to prepare for canteen refurbishments in the foreseeable future.
- It sought advice from an independent contractor as to the cost of this refurbishment and compared this to a Department of Education contractor quote.
- It was determined to assess to what extent the school community values the canteen. It conducted a survey with the school community which established a strong desire to keep the canteen.
- At this time the Board is working with the P&C to develop strategies necessary to fund the minimum \$75,000 refurbishment that is required.

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Continued focus on Inclusion

- In 2018 the School Board and all school staff helped develop the new House System, as opposed to the former faction teams, as way to celebrate the achievements of every child. The House system falls in line with our desire to refresh the Primary Campus image and provides the opportunity to celebrate our children's achievements, be that on the sporting field, in the classroom or on the playground. The final assembly of the year will see the House with the most points be awarded the Bardan Award. Bardan is the Noongar word for spirit.
- The inaugural father and child/ren sleep-out was a great success and encouraged father and other significant male role models to participate in a school activity as a way to form new friendships and contacts within our school environment.
- Our new Deputy Principal Mrs Rebecca Lewis presented the way the new Gifted and Talented programme would be trialled. Mrs Lewis shared how this programme will meet individual needs of students within a classroom context, how the teaching structures can benefit all children and how the programme can fall in line with our inclusion goals.

Francene Quinn a long time school council and board member retired from the board in June 2018 after 4 years of service. Her time and commitment to our school is much appreciated. The School Board welcomed Leesa Santa-Maria to the team. We look forward to 2019, the challenges it will bring and celebrating 70 years as a wonderful school. To this end we will use this significant anniversary to work with the wider school community to further enhance Riverton Primary Campus. The School Board wants our school to continue being an inclusive place of learning that promotes the development of the whole child. Your support is much appreciated.

Claire Money-Horrocks
Chairperson
Riverton Primary Campus Board