Dear Parents and Friends of our School Community

A big thank you to the whole school community for your continued support during 2016.

**The Staff Luncheon**

A big thank you to everyone who donated food or their time at the WCPS Staff Luncheon yesterday. It’s a time when we get to say thank you to all the staff for teaching, nurturing, guiding and supporting and the staff appreciated the effort that was made.

A special thank you to the Copeland Family for donating the embroidered Christmas hats for all 65 staff members. They were a big surprise and loved by all.

**FUNDRAISING**

At the beginning of the year the P&F Committee set its fundraising goal at $44,100 as our commitment to fulfil our pledges made to the school was our priority.

The total raised for 2016 as at 29th November is **$50,900.60**.

*The majority of this money has returned to the school community to help* improve the facilities at the School and to support student experience by meeting our pledges.

**Distribution of Funds**
During this year the P&F has disbursed or pledged funds to the following:

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<td>Canteen</td>
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<td>Purchase new reading books across all grades and reading intervention program across the school.</td>
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*The difference of $300 between what was pledged and what has been disbursed relates to the Father’s Day Breakfast. The P&F normally contributes to this event, but this year it was not necessary.*

In addition to the monies raised from school events, the P&F helped with the organising of the school team for the HBF Run for a Reason. Again the school received a $1,000 Rebel Sport gift voucher for having the largest school team and this was given to the sports department.

The P&F would like to take this opportunity to again thank all those parents and staff who have worked tirelessly at our various events during the year. Your hard work has been worth it, especially when you are able to see that our fundraising makes a difference and that all the children benefit directly from our efforts.

A special mention also to Annette Rampant and her school banking crew. Their commitment on Tuesdays is appreciated and the P&F received $1,7153.53 in commission because of their efforts (this is included in our final total).

Lastly, a big thank you to Tamara McGougan. Your guidance, support and energy is greatly appreciated. You always have time for us when needed and you have created a wonderful environment for our children to learn and thrive in.

**FINAL REMINDERS FOR 2016**

**WCPS 2017 DADS & KIDS CAMP OUT**

It was such fun earlier this year that we have already organised one for 2017. Bring your tent or swags and your kids along for a great time together! Plenty of time for fun and games on the day or to just hang out.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Saturday 11th February 2017 from 2pm
WHERE: Ern Halliday Recreation Camp.

COST: $35 per family. Please send in your payment along with the number of people camping out in an envelope through your class box. Tickets will be issued back to the oldest child.

If you need further information or would like to help on the day (setup and pulldown, water slide, activities, amenities supervision), please contact either:

Andrew Dunlop: Andrew.dunlop@objective.com

Chris Pawle: ccpawle@gmail.com

**WCPS CHESS CLUB**

The Chess Club will again run in 2017. It is held on Thursday afternoons between 3-4pm during the term. The cost is $40 for 10 weeks.

The children are taught by an instructor from the Chess Association of WA. There will also be a parent roster to help supervise the children at their lessons (no more than 1 time per term).

If your child(ren) are interested in joining please email the P&F Committee at pandf@wcps.wa.edu.au for more details.

**ENJOY THE HOLIDAYS**

Lastly the P&F would like to wish everyone from our school community a merry Christmas and a happy, safe and healthy new year.

Enjoy the holidays and see you all in 2017.

Kind Regards

The Whitford Catholic Primary School P&F Committee