

FPPS 2015 CHAIRMAN REPORT

School Achievements Past 12 months

IPS:	In August 2014 it was announced that FPPS had been successful in its IPS application. There after the School and Council put in significant work towards establishing FPPS in the IPS processes including the Council's transition to a school Board. This included: • staff members and Board members attending numerous workshops, including preparing the business plan and financial management with new one-line budget, to make sure we were ready from start of term 1 2015; • Council agreement on Board compilation within Term of Reference; • Establishing the process to recruit new staff/parent/community members; Much of first half of 2015 concentrated on key IPS milestones: • Delivery and Performance Agreement • Terms of Reference • Code of Conduct • Business Plan • Adjusting to the new one line budget funding model. All completed and signed off by end June 2015.
Board Training:	Undertaking Board training with Department of Education.
Student Centered Funding Oneline Budget:	Board also has spent much time on getting up-to-date on requirements / responsibilities of new one-line budget and student-centered funding model.
Surveys:	School response to the 2014 parent opinion survey;
Community Support:	Establishment of the OSH Club to provide before and after school care.
Policies:	Review of all school policies which involves both a responsible staff and non- staff board member (school-community link) working collaboratively with



	consultation as deemed required.
Curriculum:	Discussed issues raised by school community – including, the value of Italian as our LOTE option, validity of off-level NAPLAN testing and private tutoring on school grounds.
School Leadership Changes:	Managed a period of staffing changes, including the retirement of Brendan Walker as Principal, the appointment of an acting Principal as well as significant changes to the Deputy Principal positions.
Facilities:	Cricket nets re-established on McLean Oval at the expense of DoE.

Key Board objectives for the next 12 months

Principal Appointment:	 Process DoE to advertise for the permanent Principal position to occur in Term 4. DoE to establish a 3-person selection panel including the Board Chair. Panel to assess applications and agree shortlist, undertake interviews and ultimately put forward recommendation to Director General. Process anticipated to take 4-6 weeks.
School Performance Assessment:	Establishing & implementing the monitoring schedule and tools that are linked to objectives set out in the BP. 1. Successful Students 2. Excellence in Teaching 3. Effective Leadership 4. Positive Relationships
Business Plan Review:	Whilst the Business Plan is a 3 year document it is to be reviewed annually to ensure it remains relevant and achievable.
Board Performance Assessment:	Survey to be undertaken on the effectiveness of the Board.
Communication:	Improvement to the communications between school and home. Increased use of social media and electronic media to communicate.



School Growth:	Work with DoE to successfully manage student number growth.
P&C:	Improving the P&C funding coordination with the school budget.
Board Vacancies:	Opportunities over the next 12 months include the expiry of the Chair role. Opportunity now for a new Community member.
Operational Plans Linking To Business Plan:	Revising and realigning school operational plans to reflect business plan targets. Regular adjustment of these relative to progress.
Further Board Training:	Further training opportunities for new and existing members.

Workforce Planning:	Establishing continuity in the school in all areas, from EA's to leadership roles.
Partnerships With Teaching Institutions:	Links to teaching institutions for pre-service teachers. Getting more pre-service teachers into the school.
Partnerships With Local Community:	Improving and strengthening the links between the school and the parent body and the local community. Possible sponsorship relations.