30 May 2014

Dear Parents and St Mary’s Community Members,

Re: St Mary’s Williamstown Parish School Building Fund – First Annual Update

It is now 12 months since the St Mary’s Williamstown Parish School Building Fund was launched, and I am pleased to provide an annual update in relation to the Fund’s activities and performance since its inception last year.

The Fund has been established to permit direct and voluntary donations for the collective purpose of providing financing, to meet the school’s commitment to critical areas of infrastructure investment and ongoing development. Specifically:

- works comprising underpinning ($340k),
- installation of root barriers ($70k),
- refurbishment of eight classrooms ($250k), and
- a new floor in the Hall ($100k).

The Fund’s objective is to raise $500,000 to contribute to these costs.

To date approximately $24,000 has been contributed to the Fund, comprising of about $15,000 from the recent jogathon in addition to $9,000 in direct donations from members of the school community. I sincerely thank everyone who has contributed to the Fund for their generosity and support to date.

In 2017, our school will celebrate 175 years of continuous, values rich, Catholic education. The Advisory Board and Building Fund Committee (on behalf of the school and broader community) are collaboratively working toward the completion of these works in time for this significant milestone celebration.

Over the coming weeks, the Committees will be working on a detailed schedule of events and initiatives to promote and attract support for the Fund both within the school and the wider community. I look forward to providing more information about this over the next few months.

In the meantime, this important Fund continues to accept donations from the school community, general public and local businesses. With the end of the financial year fast-approaching, it is opportune to appeal to you for financial contributions to the School Building Fund. All contributions no matter how large or small and from any source will be gratefully accepted.

Donations to the St. Mary’s Williamstown Parish School Building Fund are fully tax deductible. Donations may be made by completing the attached contribution slip, returning it to the School Office and the Fund will issue receipts.

Your generous financial support will go towards the base initiatives and assist the School in maintaining an impressive standard of facilities for today’s students and future generations. Should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate in contacting me direct on 9397 7926.

Once again, thank you to everyone who has supported the Fund and I look forward to working together to achieve our significant milestones in line with our 175 year celebrations.

Yours sincerely

Jim Sheedy
Principal
2014 St Mary’s Williamstown Parish School Building Fund
Voluntary Building Fund Contribution Slip
ABN: 92 316 967 866

I/We ____________________________ would like to assist the St Mary’s Williamstown Parish School Building Fund with a Voluntary Deductible Donation of $___________.

Please tick one of the following:
☐ Cash
☐ Visa / Master Card
☐ Cheque (payable to St Mary’s Parish Williamstown School Building Fund)
☐ Electronic Fund Transfer (BSB: 083 347 ACCOUNT NO: 153900034)

For Credit card donations, please complete details below for credit card transactions:

Card Number Name: __________________________________________

Expiry: _______________________ Amount: _______________________

Signature: ____________________________________________________

Please complete the following:

☐ I am/we are a current family
☐ Grandparent of a current family
☐ Future family
☐ Historic family
☐ Supplier to the School
☐ Local Industry
☐ Other (please specify) _______________________________________

Please issue a receipt to my following address:

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