

Board Chair Report 2017- John Mason

In 2017 the Board continued in its role planning for the present and future operation of the school, assisting with financial management and matters of school policy. We were committed to increasing both the services the school could provide to the students and the infrastructure and resources available.

With no major capital developments within St. Luke's in 2017 the Board has consolidated the financial position of the school. The major items considered by the Board this year have been establishment of Collaborative Classrooms for Years 1 & 3, relocation of the uniform shop, purchase of kindy blinds (with the generous support of the P&F), the establishment of the new learning hub, 1:1 BYOD program, continuation of the ICT strategic plan including the purchase of iPads & Monitors and planning of proposed capital expenditure for 2018.

I would like to thank my fellow Board members David Hunter, Jason Baker, Fr Francisco, Jacqui Hunt, Lisa McClue, Natasha Morgan (the Board Treasurer), Remy McGavigan (the Board Secretary), Jessica Stojkovski (the P&F representative), Lucie Rice, Paul Murphy, Danielle Santoro and the Parish Board representatives for the contribution of their time and knowledge to the Board.

Special thanks to Lillian Truglio, Alana Metaxas, Antony Vlahov, Hayley Tait, Georgia Millad, and Karen Cadd from the P&F committee and to the families of St. Luke's who assist the P&F with fundraising efforts and give their time to help with events that foster the community feeling within the school.

Thank you to all the staff here at St. Luke's for their hard work. As parents we are blessed to have such wonderful people caring for our children throughout the year.

Thanks to all our teachers and Education Assistants for the dedication you bring to helping our children learn and grow. Thank you also for the many hours you spend outside of school organizing and participating in the Sacraments and other activities with the students.

Thanks to the Administration staff, Marjorie, Lechelle & Leone for skillfully handling our many and varied queries, providing the answers and taking good care of our children and parents when they come to you for help.

Thanks to our Grounds person, Ray Plant, your expert care of the school grounds continues to make them look wonderful.

Thanks to the families of St. Luke's who are involved in a range of activities throughout the school such as busy bees, pie days, uniform shop, sport days, performing arts, graduation, netball coaching, reading rosters, excursions and much more.

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Thank you to Fr. Francisco and the St. Luke's parish for your efforts in arranging the Sacraments for our children throughout the year.

I would like to take this opportunity to once again thank Mr David Hunter for his years of dedicated service to St Lukes and Catholic education in general. I am sure he is making the most of his retirement and enjoying his new found freedom.

A special mention of thanks to Mr Jason Baker. Jason has led St Lukes admirably during the last 6 months. Thanks Jason for your enthusiasm, care and passion for teaching.

On behalf of the Board I would like to welcome Mr Andrew Kelly to our St Lukes family. Mr Kelly has demonstrated a genuine passion, dedication and caring for the school and community at Bridgetown and I look forward to him sharing those same virtues with us at St Lukes.

I would like to thank all those with whom I have worked during my six years on the Board. I have learnt a lot over the journey and have gained a greater appreciation for all the work that goes in to running the school and making it the place that we choose to send our children.

Lastly, as this is my last year on the school board I would like to take this opportunity to wish the 2018 Board the best of luck for the upcoming year and thank you in advance for being involved with our school.

John Mason
Board Chair
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