



Our Lady of Mt Carmel School
Annual Report to the School Community for 2025
Presented for the Annual Community Meeting (held 13th February, 2026)

Annual General Meeting of School Advisory Council for 2025

School Advisory Council Chairperson's Report
Mr David Tropiano

Thankyou to everyone for coming tonight to our annual community meeting. Firstly, on behalf of the school advisory council, I would like to thank our School Advisory members along with our Parents and Friends Executive who attend these meetings and do the work behind the scenes to support our school. We have had two changes to our SAC with the departure of Belynda and Bernie Mills. We thank them for their time and efforts.

This year we have completed many new projects and improvements to our school. They are outlined in the Treasurer's Report. One of the completed projects of note is the completion of the Health & Wellbeing Room, this will be a great asset to the school.

We have managed to complete these planned works whilst still leaving the school in an extremely sound financial position which you will be able to see in the Treasurer's Report.

On behalf of the SAC, I would like to thank Miss Jill and her wonderful staff for all their efforts and care they put into our children's education for 2025.

We are very lucky to have such experienced staff in our small school who genuinely care for our children.

Finally, on behalf of the SAC I would like to wish everyone the best for the rest of 2026.

Kind regards,

David Tropiana



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Treasurer’s Report

Our budget for 2025 was set to run to a surplus. As per each year, the majority of our income was spent on staff wages, then the general areas of Utilities, Maintenance, Improvements, Furniture and Fittings, Plant and Equipment, Gardens and Grounds, Technology and provision of curriculum programs and resources. Our spending remained within budget for staffing and all general areas. Areas of spending in areas for 2025 included:

Improvements \$89000

- HWB
- Upgrade to guttering
- Staff Kitchen refurbishment
- Power to Archive shed

Furniture and Fittings \$30000

- New furniture for HWB
- Upgraded furniture for Early Childhood classroom
- Archive Shed shelving

Plant & Equipment \$44000

- Shade Sails
- Funky Monkey Bars

Technology \$22000

- Continued Technology Plan with new devices for staff and students
- UPS and Finance Officer hardware for CEWA office

Total Recurrent and Capital Income for 2025	\$1 906 162.00
Total Recurrent Expenditure for 2025	\$1 549 046.00
Surplus before Amortisation and Depreciation	\$ 357 116.00
Surplus after Amortisation and Depreciation	\$ 227 108.00

Cash in Bank as at 31st December 2025

Operating Account	\$ 360 701.33
Cash Management Account	\$1 293 456.97
Presentation Sisters (12 month deposit)	\$ 271 425.96
Total	\$1 925 584.26

Initial Budget for 2026

Our Initial budget for 2026 was submitted and approved by CEWA and is forecast to run a deficit budget after depreciation.

Forecast Capital Expenditure for 2026

IT	\$0
Improvements	\$65 000
Plant & Equipment	\$46 000

- Improvements (fencing, concrete pads to shed, HWB finalise, classroom wall remodel)
- Plant and Equipment (Air Con, grounds equip, security lighting, playgrounds and grounds seating)
- IT (Continuation of leases)

We have continued to allocate enough money to continue with areas of improvements, ongoing maintenance and gardens and grounds across the school. The school will continue to complete maintenance work on the Presentation Sisters Convent building (Admin block).

With a large amount of work completed in 2025 and CEWA request to reduce spending, our biggest upgrades in 2026 will be:

- Finalising the Heath & Wellbeing Room
- Complete remodel of the snr classroom wall
- Complete ECE extension and fencing/funky monkey?
- Air conditioner replacements

Staff and student iPads now on a lease program with CEWA for turnover every 2nd year.

Initial Budget Figures for 2026

Total Recurrent & Capital income	\$1 971 130.00
Total Expenditure	\$1 970 961.00
Surplus before Depreciation	\$ 170.00
Amortisation & Depreciation	\$ 143 231.00
Surplus/Deficit after Depreciation	- \$ 143 061.00

Fees

There has been 3% increase in fees for 2026 in line with CEWA's recommendations.



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Principal's Report**

Thank you sincerely to all parents and grandparents who have made the effort to attend our Annual General Meeting. Your presence and interest in our school is very much appreciated. Whilst we may be very small in numbers, we regularly have a strong turnout for our meeting; our numbers are much stronger than those that occur in larger schools in Perth. Without the support of the community and in particular, our families, our job would be far more difficult.

As many of you would be aware, we held a wonderful farewell celebration for Father Robert O'Bryan by celebrating the Eucharist and a marvellous gathering of our school and local community. Father Robert has been our Parish Priest for the last 12 years and he has always been a hugely supporting and strong presence within our school community. Our students and staff will miss him immensely. I thank him for his unwavering support for our little school and for his deep understanding of our small school context in Mullewa. We wish him all the best for his retirement in Geraldton and hope to see him around when he has time to visit Mullewa.

We gather this evening to recap on our school year for 2025. As you have heard from our SAC Chairperson, the school managed to complete a number of projects across the year as we continue to work on enhancing our wonderful surroundings to ensure the school is as safe and inviting as we can make it for our students.

There are a number of compliance elements that need to be included in my report this evening.

Fees

- increase of 4% in 2025

Student Numbers

- Finished 2025 with 34 students

Staff Qualifications

- Teacher Aides – Certificates III and IV
- Teachers
- 1x Bachelor of Arts
- 5x Bachelor of Education
- 3x Master of Education
- 1x Doctorate of Education
- All staff attained or working toward Accreditation to Work/Teach in a Catholic School

NAPLAN

Always used as a diagnostic tool due to our extremely low numbers of students in each cohort

Student Destinations

Nagle, Morawa District High School, Mullewa District High School, Santa Maria College

Catholic School Improvement Plan

	2025	2026
CSIP Elements		
Catholic Identity	Charism of the Presentation Sisters How their mission is reflected today	Recognising lives and achievements of Presentation Sisters and founder – Nano Nagle
Community	Establish a new Health and Wellbeing Centre and retreat area for students	Improvement in student attendance across the school
Education	Berry Street Education Model – ongoing PD, consistent use of whole school practices and routines – Welcome Circles, Brain Breaks, Positive Primers	Student achievement in mathematics and instructional teaching within lessons
Stewardship	Staff Performance Program	Early Years teachers mentoring and guiding Early Years Learning Framework

Thank you to School Advisory Council representatives for 2025:

SAC Chairperson David Tropicano
 SAC Treasurer David Tropicano
 SAC Member Michael O'Brien
 SAC Member (co-opted) Morgan Pope
 Ex officio member Jill Hollands (Principal)
 Ex officio member Father Robert O'Bryan (Parish Priest)

One nomination for position on SAC for 2026 was Morgan Pope, who was currently co-opted. This nomination was accepted.

Thank you again to everyone for coming and I invite you to stay for our community dinner outside.

Jill Hollands
 Principal



Annual General Meeting of the P&F Association for 2025

Held on Thursday, 13th February, 2026

Agenda

Meeting opened: 5.59pm

Present: Belinda Hamlett, Anthony Dreghorn, Jana Hunkin, Rachel Swift, Helen Ansell, Pauline Bell, Natalie Hillier, Nikki McCuish, Sandra Verano, Yvonne Williams, Jill Hollands, Jeremy Mills, Jemma Mills, Kim Ansell, Rebecca Dreghorn, Sheree Tropiano, David Tropiano, Michael O'Brien, Amy O'Brien, Jolinsa Jeewa, Father Robert O'Bryan

Apologies: Morgan Pope, Steven Pope, Georgina Baughan, Michael Baughan, Tracey Messina, Ashley Marsh, Stuart Marsh, Jane Quarrington, Renata Steele, Shannon Hunkin

Acceptance of the 2024 reports of the previous Annual Community Meeting in February 2025:

Accepted: Jemma Mills

Seconded: Amy O'Brien

Reports for 2025

- P&F President's Report for 2025

Good afternoon everyone, and welcome.

Last year we were able to hold our Quiz Night. While it was a lovely evening enjoyed by all, fundraising was limited due to our small and declining number of families. For this reason, we also chose not to run the Mother's and Father's Day stalls again this year.

Our Tuckshop and Easter Egg Raffle were a great success, especially in the eyes of the children, and our Footy Tipping competition was extremely well organised by Sheree Tropiano.

I would like to thank the ladies who put in extra time and effort to run these events, and a special thank you to the dads who attended the busy bees to assist Dale with jobs that are difficult to complete during school hours. Your support is very much appreciated.

Last year, the P&F was able to contribute towards:

- A leavers' shirt for our graduating students
- Financial support for school camp
- Sausage sizzles for school events
- Furniture for the new Health and Wellbeing Centre

We are looking for volunteers to help coordinate more fundraising events this year:

We hope to continue our fundraising efforts this year, but we can only do this with the support of our school community. We would love to see more parents at our meetings so please keep an eye out for our next meeting date. These are advertised on Facebook, via school SMS, and in the newsletter.

Thank you again for your support.

Accepted: David Tropiano

Seconded: Rachel Swift

- Principals Report – as per SAC Report

Accepted: Amy O'Brien

Seconded: Michael O'Brien

- P&F Treasurer's Report for 2025

TREASURERS REPORT:



P&F Annual Statement for ACM 31-December-2025

Opening Balance 1 Jan 2025	\$	14,067.46
Income		
Footy Tipping	\$	2,850.00
Community Farm Donation	\$	500.00
Quiz night Income *	\$	1,636.64
Mothers Day Stall *	\$	230.00
Eastle Raffle	\$	1,260.00
Cake stall income *		
Fathers Day *		
Tuckshop income	\$	549.90
TOTAL INCOME	\$	7,026.54
Expenses		
Affiliation Fee	\$	175.50
Mothers Day Stall *		
Wish list items \$500 per class	\$	1,500.00
Wish list items \$500 per sport, art & therapy	\$	1,500.00
Property donations - Grounds & Gardens	\$	2,000.00
Camp Donation	\$	500.00
Footy Tipping payouts	\$	1,525.00
Catering - Swim Carnival		
Reimbursements (Dreghorn)		
* Plants and supplies		
Tuckshops purchases	\$	92.58
Scholastic Bookfair donation for student books		
Student Leavers Top Donation	\$	300.00
Fathers Day *		
Quiz Night expenses * inc gst	\$	375.44
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	7,968.52
Movement	\$	941.98
Closing Balance	\$	13,125.48
Capital Purchase Donations		
Furniture & Fittings	\$	2,500.00
CLOSING BALANCE 31 December 2025	\$	10,625.48
Footy Tipping profit at this stage	\$	1,325.00
Tuckshop profit at this stage	\$	457.32
Quiz night profit at this stage	\$	1,381.65

Accepted: Rachel Swift
Seconded: Jeremy Mills

Items to Action

- Retiring Committee Members – thank you to Rebecca Dreghorn
- Election of P&F Committee Members
 - Secretary – Sheree Tropiano

Accepted: Natalie Hillier**Seconded:** Belinda Schmidt**Meeting closed: 6.05pm**