

East Coast Presidents Report 2016/17

This past year has been all about membership drive. Currently down on numbers from previous year, finding harder to get through to parents that our organization is not just about children in boarding schools.

Have had good response from parents wanting more information and joining after going through facebook. Seems to be the more you share and inform the more parents are interested.

We have had notices in the school newsletter and local newsletter all trying to encourage membership.

Having the annual cheesecake stall at the Swansea School Fair, we find this an easy but great fundraiser. Ask Emily for banner to promote our site. We use this fundraiser to help send our East Coast rep to federal conference.

The annual internet infrastructure issue was again raised and discussion will be needed once Telstra finish with works in the area. Still a very big issue with being non-existent in Cranbrook area.

East Coast has agreed to host the State conference in September, need to know venue, speakers etc.

Our new committee was elected

President- Leanne Dann

Vice President- Annie Browning

Secretary- Melissa Quinn

Committee Members- Cassie Melrose, Alison Jamson, Maree McConnon, Jennie Amos, Adele Plunkett and Janine Gadd.

Went with Emily and Kate to speak with Minister O'Byrne and Minister Rockcliffe in regards to Education and to have our concerns raised. Was, I thought, a productive meeting and we were met with positive feedback and assurances.

Had our motion of Sporting Schools passed and is now being taken up by the Minister for Sport in Canberra, so our little East Coast voice has certainly been heard and recognized, I must congratulate all our committee for this achievement and passion.