

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

The Holy Family Parents and Friends (P&F) Association is a group of volunteers, made up of parents, grandparents or carers, that work closely with the school leaders to achieve common goals for our children's education

P&F meetings offer a forum to discuss any relevant educational issues that benefit our children. It also allows us to be informed about educational information from the Principal, Assistant Principal or other school representatives. It is also a great way to get to know other parents/carers within our school community.

The P&F provide much needed additional funding to the school, to help cover any extra resources required for the education of our children. At Holy Family, the P&F do not do any fundraising instead, an annual P&F Levy is paid per family. This Levy replaces ALL fundraising such as raffles, fates, chocolate drives etc.

Some examples of resources the P&F have been able to assist the school in purchasing in recent years:

- Maths Resources
- Readers for Stage 2 & 3
- TV's & Apple TV's to replace broken Smart Boards in classrooms
- Furnishings for the school hall
- Table tennis equipment
- Year 5 Bike Education Excursion
- Swimming caps for students representing the school

Each year, the P&F organise events for our school community such as Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls, disco and bbq's. These are great events that the children really look forward to and you can get involved by volunteering to assist with planning or coordinating the running any of these events for the school community.

We would like to encourage you to come to the P&F meetings whenever you can, everyone is welcome. P&F meetings are held twice a term and usually go no longer than an hour. If you cannot attend the meetings, you can email your ideas, suggestions or questions to pandf@hfidow.catholic.edu.au. There is also a Suggestions Box in the school office for your convenience.

Our first meeting for the year is on **Friday, 28th February at 9am** in the Hall meeting room. This will be our only meeting for Term 1. We hope to see you there.