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Principal's Report for the Dunsandel School PTA AGM 4 March 2019

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It is my pleasure to formally thank the Dunsandel School PTA for their contribution and support of our school in 2018.

A key fundraising venture undertaken by the PTA was the calf scheme – the impact this has had for our children is highly visible and valued. Education outside the classroom is something we all want our children to be part of and the experiences are an essential ingredient of being part of a NZ school – however costs can sometimes make these experiences difficult to undertake. With the contribution from the PTA for 2018 we were able to provide a number of opportunities including Beach Education, Junior Swimming Trip, Orana Park visit, Year 6 camp contribution, Year 5/6 Ski Trip Bus and the Air Force Museum. We also had visits from outside performers including the Wonky Donkey Man and NZ Playhouse. Without a doubt all our children benefit from the Calf Scheme and the money that comes in from that venture. Thank-you to organisers Chris Norton and Suzie Woodward.

Through the other fundraising efforts of our PTA our children have benefitted from board games, baking ingredients, puzzles, class art and craft and Computer on Wheels cart. Also my teaching staff and I would like to acknowledge and thank the PTA for their generous contributions to class consumables. This money is spent on resources that enhance the learning experience for our children.

I would also like to thank and acknowledge the PTA contribution to providing treats at the end of our Cross Country and Duathlon. I know the children certainly appreciate these and for providing morning tea for our Country Day judges.

I would like to thank Emily for her enthusiasm as President of the PTA – rallying the troops for another fundraising venture or catering event is not always an easy task and one that needs a variety of tactics. On behalf of the children and my staff I would like to acknowledge the work you do as President and thank you for the time and effort you put into your job as President. Also from me thank you for having your PTA newsletter report to me each Sunday evening.

Our school is fortunate to have a proactive PTA, which, through its fundraising and support plays a really important role in our school community. I know parents and caregivers do what they can in all sorts of different ways and as a school we are so appreciative of this. You make an awesome contribution to our school and to what we provide for our children. I would like to present the PTA with a Dunsandel School PRIDE award as an acknowledgement of a job well done in 2018.

I would like to formally thank the 2018 PTA Committee and parents for their support of our children and our school. The staff and I look forward to working with the PTA during this year to make 2019 another successful year for the children of Dunsandel School.

Dave Robinson
Principal; Dunsandel School



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