



AN END OF YEAR NOTE FROM THE SHALOM COLLEGE P & F PRESIDENT

Volunteering is just that – sacrificing of one’s time, energy and services without expecting anything in return. That’s simply what each of you do every time you are rostered on to help at the coffee shop or you put your hand up to support the College in some other way - BBQ’s, Bingo, Book Hire, sports coaching etc. I have worked out that between all volunteers parents around 2500 hours of volunteer time has been given so generously towards the Shalom Markets Coffee Shop. It is difficult to put in a few words how appreciative the Shalom Community is for the time each and every one of you put into volunteering. Your gift to Shalom Community of lending a helping hand is exactly what enables the College and the P & F to continue to make Shalom a wonderful environment for all who attend. So on behalf of the Shalom P & F, I thank you all for your **GENEROSITY, UNDERSTANDING, COMPASSION, PATIENCE AND DEDICATION.**

Words cannot describe either, the extraordinary amount of time and effort that goes into coordinating the Coffee Shop and making it the success that it is. On behalf of all Shalom parents I would therefore like to thank both Leanne and Kathy for their wonderful efforts – your kindness, patience and thoughtful guidance and your warm welcoming smile each and every Sunday makes us want to return and give you all the support we can. Coming to volunteer and assist is certainly not a burden but indeed a pleasure.

COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD - Each year the Shalom P & F Committee awards the P & F Federation Community Spirit Award to a volunteer who has contributed to the College Volunteer Program in a number of areas over a significant number of years. It is with great pleasure that we announce this year’s recipient to be Mrs Donna Habermann. Donna consistently supports the College Community each year as a volunteer helper at the Sunday Markets Coffee Shop, Shalom Tuckshop and has held the position of Diocesan Representative and Treasurer for the P & F for many years. In addition, Donna, as an avid supporter of the Bundaberg Community Relay for Life Event, volunteers her time to assist Shalom College teams by coordinating a number of fundraising BBQ’s that are frequently held leading up to this event. This is Donna’s last year as a Shalom parent so it goes without saying that the Shalom Community thanks you dearly for your voluntary time and ongoing support over so many years and we wish you well in your future endeavours.

Finally, as the school year is very quickly coming to an end, I would like to wish all Shalom families and educators a joyful and peaceful Christmas. In addition, I sincerely wish all students, staff and families leaving the College every success for the future and to those remaining at Shalom; I very much look forward to seeing you in 2017 for another exciting and successful Shalom year.

Regards *Louise Stallard*—2016 President.

