



**Parents & Friends Federation of WA Inc**  
**2018 AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE IN BUILDING POSITIVE**  
**CATHOLIC SCHOOL COMMUNITIES**  
**NOMINATION - Parent**

**CRITERIA** – Winner must demonstrate positive outcomes for students and the school community

- works collaboratively with the Principal and staff
- actively works for the benefit of the school, its parents and students
- promotes and affirms the work of the school in the education of the children
- creates opportunities in the school to build community

**Parent Nominated:** Mrs Joanne Pustkutchen

**Email Contact for Parent Nominated:** Joanne.Pustkutchen@cewa.edu.au

**School:** Mandurah Catholic College

**Nominated by:** Tonian Abbott-Robbins **Email:** abbott-robbins@live.com.au

**Using the above criteria please briefly outline why you wish to nominate the above parent in your school community (please continue on separate sheet if necessary)**

Mrs Joanne Pustkutchen has worked tirelessly for many years as the MCC P&F Treasurer, it is her tenacity and meticulous nature which ensures our work is above reproach. Joanne wears many hats within the College – staff member, Parent and P&F executive member – she manages each with grace and eloquence I can only hope to achieve on day.

There is not an event or task that Joanne would refuse to be part of, she will work long after everyone else has gone home to ensure every detail is correct or the last door is locked.

Working with Joanne on the annual Quiz Night is a highlight of my year, she has a flair for organisation and creativity to make each event successful and fun. The event is one of the biggest in our calendar and Joanne sails through like a swan – serene and calm on the face while she works tireless below the water to keep everything running smoothly.

Joanne is a beautiful person who even in times of her own emotional distress works to support those who need it, 2017 saw our College rocked with tragedy and through out these times Joanne was there to ensure the families and staff were supported and listened to. During these events Joanne worked endlessly to organise funds and practical support for the affected families. This was done even through her own grief and while supporting her own family during a difficult time. It was this compassion, which people remember and it is something, which makes Joanne unique, the willingness to serve without expectation.

I expect to be in trouble for submitting a nomination for Joanne, she is humble to the extreme and nothing she does is with an expectation of thanks or for gain. Joanne's work within our committee has made it possible to reach many of parents and families to make our College a better place.

Joanne is the person that each President dreams of working with on a committee and I am thankful everyday that I have had an opportunity to work alongside her and learn from her. I am also very blessed to say that I have found a friend along our travels and know that our College P&F will continue its work when I have handed over to a new president at the end of the year with Joanne there to guide and support them/

Only affiliated schools are eligible to nominate for these awards.

*Closing date for entries*

**Tuesday 1 May 2018**

*Please return completed forms to:*

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