

## **Keith Thompson**



I am 46 years of age and married to Lindie. We have two children. Our son Reece whom is now 12 finished at Pyes Pa School in 2008 after starting there in 2003. And our daughter Laura (5) has just started with Janet Bilbe this term.

In my profession I Manage a Shipping Agency company based at the Mount, where I have now been for 22 years.

Since becoming involved with the School in 2003 I have been actively involved with many activities. Having been a member of the PTA for 3 years, assisting with events such as the Calf Club and Gala day, a scrap metal collection, and Possum shoot just to name a few. I am still an active helper with the Calf Club day. Many of you may have noticed me fronting a number of the School working bee's with the likes of the Playground makeover, Bush block fencing and the field driveway realignment.

In 2007 I was elected onto the current Board of Trustees. In addition to the role of Governance this position requires I have taken on the Property port folio which has been very exciting and rewarding job. Some of the major visible projects of which I have been involved with during this tenure are the establishment of Room 7, Environmental Arts Centre, major drainage works and the re-carpeting of the school. Other items such as roof painting, new pin boards throughout the classrooms, general painting along with repairs and maintenance throughout the School have all been carefully planned.

We have now reached a stage where the next 5 (5YA) and 10 (10YP) year cycles of Capital expenditure and major maintenance have to be planned. We do have some exciting ideas that will be required to support the growth of our school going forward..

The last 3 years in the Board have been challenging but at the same time rewarding by seeing the improvement in the learning of our Children and the enthusiasm and dedication to the challenges ahead that our Teachers have.

With a growing role and changes to the current curriculum and funding processes we must stay alert and plan well for the future. I would therefore like the opportunity to continue for another term on the Board, offering continuity and knowledge for future growth with the end result of well educated children and up to date resources and facilities.