**School Advisory Board**

The School Advisory Board is representative of the Faith community of St Mary’s Parish. The Board exercises governance of the School, for the well-being of students, on behalf of its community. The School Board exists to formulate policies to fulfil the obligations of the Constitution. In a particular way the Board exists to support the staff of the School in implementing the Vision of the community for the School.

The Board acts as an advisory body to the Parish Priest and Principal on matters concerning education in the school and promotes community development by fostering relationships between parish, school and the local community.

The Board:

- Assists in the formulation of the School Philosophy and Polices;
- Supports the school in practical ways such as ensuring that the school facilities and equipment are maintained;
- Provides parental input into planning for the future of St. Mary’s School;
- Works in co-operation with the Social committee
- Develops school/community relationships and encourage family/school partnerships;
- Facilitates the integration of parents and children new to the school;