S.C.A –  
School Community Association

Who are we?  
What is our role within the school?

The School Community Association (SCA) is a group of parents from our school who plan, co-ordinate and run fundraisers and social activities for children and parents of St Thomas’.

Our actions reflect our Mission Statement:

SCHOOL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

[supporting Our Children as a School Community through Fundraising and Social Engagement]

Parents on the committee hold specific roles, these being: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Secretary and general membership.

The SCA operate as a team and meet monthly. Together we plan and review fundraisers, social activities and treats for the children. Our list of duties include event coordination, writing and distributing newsletters, counting and banking money, ordering, preparing and distributing food for specific events/treats and liaising with the staff and companies outside St Thomas’.

Our work is greatly supported by other St Thomas mums and dads who assist in the running of various fundraisers. New members are always welcome. We share a laugh, a story and friendship.

In recent years the SCA has held various raffles, Mothers and Father’s day stalls, chocolate, hot cross bun and pie drives, trivia and market nights for parents and discos and the basket supper dance for children. We have supported school functions by providing and serving food at Prep orientation sessions, tissue and champagne mornings for new prep parents and a sausage sizzle on Footy Day. We have sold hot food in winter and icy poles in summer as treats for the children. The SCA also run the second hand uniform shop.

The money raised from these activities benefits our children and supports their education. The donation of funds has enabled the school to purchase sports equipment, an outdoor chess/checker set and a sports marquee, all benefiting the children in their outdoor play. Within the classroom SCA donations have supported the IT program with the purchase of ipads, laptops and interactive whiteboards and
refurbishments in the Discovery Centre. The SCA have also funded the outdoor netball court, the rubber surface for the adventure playground, outdoor seating and landscaping, a sound system in the gym and the fitting out of the Domestic kitchen. We have raised funds for charities and the Parish, helping to finance the Church Crucifix and the proposed St Thomas Statue.

The SCA welcomes friendly faces and new ideas. Our work is certainly appreciated and valued by Father, the Parish, Staff and especially the children who benefit the most from parental involvement.