

## **MPC CHARACTER TRAIT FOR NOVEMBER – DECEMBER 2018 IS ‘FORGIVENESS’**



We are all wronged and offended at some point. The true test of forgiveness lies in how we rise above wrongs and continue living.

**Forgiveness** allows you to grow from past experiences instead of becoming imprisoned by them.

### **RECENT EVENTS:**

- a. The Bill & Helen Larkin ‘Fair Go’ Good Sport Day:** This event, in memory of Bill and Helen Larkin who portrayed so many of MPC’s character traits, was held on Wednesday 10 October 2018 at the Veneto Club in Bulleen. Bill and Helen gave people a fair go while encouraging them and, they used integrity and respect when speaking to family, friends, neighbours and the wider community. They were loved and admired by all who knew them. They worked as a team and if you belonged to a group with them you worked as a team and it did make a difference!

The Manningham Mayor, Cr. Andrew Conlon attended the Good Sport Day and opened the event, which was greatly appreciated. Andrew stayed to watch all of the 122 Manningham Primary School students involved in the sporting activities; Dodge Ball, Bocce, Soccer, Cricket and AFL. It was great to see his connection with the students, teachers, coaches and MPC members including Andrea Buckland, daughter of the late Bill and Helen Larkin who also attended on the day.

A comment received from one of the Manningham Primary School Teachers was; *“Thanks for a great day. The venue, transport, instructors were fabulous”*.

**b. MPC Annual General Meeting:**

The Annual General Meeting was held on Wednesday 31 October 2018 at the Manningham Council Offices.

**c. MPC Ambassadors – Michele Timms A.M. & Melissa Noonan**

MPC has been very fortunate in having both Michele and Melissa as Ambassadors. They have made themselves available not only to MPC but to the wider communities.

**Michele** Timms A.M. was inducted into FIBA’S Hall of Fame at a ceremony in Switzerland in August 2016 and, is the first player to be crowned a ‘Basketball Australian Hall of Fame Legend’. **Melissa**, Founder of Limbs 4 Life, was nominated and chosen as a ‘Westfield Local Hero’, lectures at Melbourne & Latrobe Universities and, has been invited to New Zealand to develop Limbs 4 Life there. Two incredible ladies!