



St Peter's Primary School – Parents & Friends Meeting Minutes

7:15pm Tuesday 13 March 2018

1. WELCOME

2. OPENING PRAYER: " A Prayer for Lent"

3. ATTENDANCE:

Attendees: Nicole Gatsoulis (Sec), Nathalie Vidot (ComMem), Greg Ward (Principal), Abigaille Perrottet, Kathleen Irwine, Kylie Skinner, Naomi Antenucci, Natasha Sharma, Kylie O'Driscoll, Tina Reardon, Genelle Ruehland, Natalie Palermo-Martin, Gillian Aves, Sharon Smith, Courtney Dunsire (AP), Paul Brennan (AP), Alison Rawson, Darren Oliver (ComMem) Magda Wittek (Tres), Emma Butler (Pres), Claire Perlini

Apologies: Bec Nairn, Emily Glover, Fidelma Cheyne, Gemma Palmer, Kelli Bradbrook, Tanya Dawes, Tam Hooper, Jess Hopkins, Laura Antenucci, Catherine Grindley, Frances Simpkin, Donna Farley, Linda Costarella, Kristy O, Renee Butler, Tess Jackson, Leah Campbell, Amanda Cox, Maria Pena, Marinka Taylor, Richard Boyd

4. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

Motion to accept minutes from P&F Meeting 13th February 2018
Passed by Committee.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

a. Mud Kitchen \$10,000 funding clarification - \$1000 additional funding approved at March P&F meeting from 2018 P&F budget. \$9000 previously contributed (These funds were raised at the 2017 quiz night and raffle).

6. REPORTS:

- **Principal's Report:** Greg Ward
 - We had 26 families attend the open morning on 27 February and 1 March. In speaking with the families who have enrolled their children at St Peters for 2019 and who undertook the tours, they were very impressed with the Year 6s who conducted the walk around, the presentation of the school environment and the quality of the teaching and learning programs. We can be very proud of the qualities and attributes our St Peter's students reflected through the way they interacted with the families. I thank Courtney Dunsire



for the work done to organise and promote the open mornings and for the preparation of the Year 6 students who conducted the tours.

- We have a smaller number of siblings and a smaller number of children from new families enrolled for Kindy in 2019. We have record enrolments in our PP-Year 6 classes. Even though there may be places available, not all families who enrol children at St Peter's are always offered positions as the reasons they are choosing St Peter's may not be consistent with our religious, moral or academic goals. There is a published priority list and we are looking for families to contribute to the Catholic ethos of the school through active participation in and support of its life and practices and to be willing to build constructive relationships.
- I have commenced the interviews of new families who have a child enrolled for Kindergarten in 2019.
- We have been asked by the parish to lead the Stations of the Cross on 16 March. It has been a challenge to get families to commit to attend and to lead the reflections and prayers.
- There will be a reenactment of the Stations of the Cross on the afternoon of Holy Thursday, 29 March, led by the Year 5 students. Our children will take the time to walk with Jesus and to remember through the Resurrection that He is alive and with us in a new and special way. The reflection and prayer is an opportunity for our children to step into Holy Week with a focus on the Easter story and the new life that comes through our commitment to follow Jesus.
- The Reconciliation preparation program commences with the first parent meeting on 21 March at 7pm in the Parish Hall.
- We have early close on Monday 26 March to facilitate the teacher parent conferences. The three main questions that will guide the discussion and feedback are 'Where are the students going? (Learning intentions, success criteria, learning goals)....How are they going? (Results, outcomes, learning growth, successes) and Where to next? (What are the next challenges and steps). Spiritual, social and emotional wellbeing will also form part of the exchange.
- One of the features of the P and F's activities in the last few years has been the parent education workshops that have been arranged by Alison Rawson. The one coming up on 20 March on 'Kids and Anxiety' is an example of the opportunities parents have of becoming informed on child development issues. I understand this has been booked out. To complement this program, Daniel Moylan (Social Worker at St Peter's) is conducting a workshop on Thursday 15 March on understanding our children's emotional world, supporting children to develop positive relationships, self-regulation and mindful parenting. Daniel brings a rich background of knowledge and experience to his presentations.



- I appreciated the response of staff, P and F and School Board to the Sundowner on Friday evening 9 March. It was also special to be welcoming back and reconnecting with people who have made a significant contribution to St Peter's in the past. A big thank you to Emma and the team for organising and catering for the occasion. It was the unofficial opening of the playground transformation that has taken place in the last 6 months and which we now hope will be fully completed by the beginning of Term 2. There is now a totally different aspect to what was referred to as the quiet area and I am sure it will become a gathering place for more community events. The redevelopment of the play spaces is a wonderful example of the collaboration that goes on between the staff, P and F and School Board to enrich the environment and opportunities for our St Peter's students. I thank Paul Brennan for his management of the project, although not quite delivered on time.
- A real feature of the swimming carnival being held on Friday, 6 April will be our 4-6 students participating at their stage of swimming development. The trials for the swimming carnival are being held next week. The Interschool Swimming Carnival is scheduled for 11 May.
- Planning is underway to refurbish the Year 4 classrooms. This is part of a staged program to update all our classroom learning spaces over the next few years. We started this process with the multi-purpose spaces that were being used for our intervention programs two years ago and the Year 6 learning environments last year. The planning process starts with reflection on what would be conducive to enhancing student engagement in learning for the age group being accommodated in the space. There is also a focus on having an environment flexible enough to accommodate a mixture of explicit teaching, independent learning and collaborative learning.

a. President's Report: Emma Butler

- Thank you to Alison for all her help with the Class Reps
- P & F Page has now been updated
- 1st Board Meeting was held and report distributed
- Welcome BBQ was a huge success
- Sundowner - thank you to all those who attended
- Netball - Meeting scheduled for Thursday 15 March

b. Treasurer's Report: Magda Wittek

- Deposits have been made to the amount of \$4,500 (mostly netball registrations)
- Closing balance \$41,811.88



7. GENERAL BUSINESS:

a. WELCOME BBQ

- Huge success around 800 people attended
- \$416 received from the BBQ although it was not a fundraising event
- Positive feedback as to serving food at the canteen area

OUTCOME: Completed

b. SUNDOWNER

- Great turnout one of the biggest yet. A big thankyou to all that attended and made it a success
- Positive feedback in regards to the catering

OUTCOME: Complete

c. ST PETER'S DADS (Richard Boyd)

- 14 Fathers attended the information night
- There have been some new fathers to join the committee
- Campout for 7th and 8th April the plans are in process. Need the class reps to really promote this initiative

OUTCOME: Provide update at next meeting

d. SCHOOL DISCO

- Friday 4 May 2018
- Posters are up around the school premises. Photo Booth and DJ has been booked
- Volunteer roster to be circulated soon
- People have already started to RSVP at the front office

OUTCOME: Incomplete carry over to next meeting

e. ENTERTAINMENT BOOK (Genelle and Nat)

- Jennifer from Entertainment Book gave last year's sales figures:
 - 70 Hard Copies/Books sold
 - 52 Digital memberships
- \$14 dollars from every membership sold goes to the school, Genelle and Nat determined to beat the sales from last year



- Proposed plan to increase sales are to give out to the families a copy of the entertainment book (goes to the eldest child), they are 3 choices:
 - Buy Book and pay
 - Buy Digital version and send book back
 - Don't want either membership and return book
- Book return boxes will be placed in each class room
- This process is all tracked by QR code and the provider covers cost for any missing books
- The proposed selling strategy has been conducted at other/bigger schools and increases the sales by 30%
- Need to promote presales (closes in May) this will be featured in a separate section of the newsletter
- Exploring incentives/prizes to help increase sales

OUTCOME: Genelle and Nat to go ahead with their plan to promote book

Incomplete carry over to next meeting

RIDE2SCHOOL DAY - 23 MARCH (Alison Rawson)

- Liz Cunningham has kindly made certificates for participants (Organisers have not sent them this year or in previous years)
- Logistics regarding parking bikes and scooters is being confirmed ahead of the event

OUTCOME: Provide update at next meeting

f. SEMINARS (Alison)

- Kids and Anxiety - Session fully booked, scheduled to go ahead next Tuesday 20 March
- Alpha Motivation - Presented by David Castalanelli. Still waiting on PDF's. Aimed at Year 5 to 6
- Still trying to find a seminar aimed at Year 4/5 , open to suggestions

OUTCOME: Incomplete carry over to next meeting

g. FOOTY TIPPING

- Registrations have been extended to Monday 19th March

OUTCOME: Provide update at next meeting



h. BASKETBALL (Sharon Smith)

- 2 weeks of the winter season left
- Under 12's team (Hurricanes) have made it to the semi-final, suggested that we acknowledge this achievement at the school assembly
- Acknowledge the team's contribution throughout the season
- Windup - Scheduled for the 28 March from 5pm - 6pm. Will include presentations for the 8 teams
- Winter season registrations: Open forms located in the front office have until Thursday 29 March to register
- First Game: 5 May
- Age Clarification: To participate must be turning 8, 9, 10 or 11 in 2018.

OUTCOME: Alison to contact Grill'd Mount Lawley for Awards before the season starts

Provide update at the next meeting

i. NETBALL

- Year 3: Another 2 players are needed
- Year 4: If extra players are received will have close to 3 teams
- Year 6: 2 teams
- Year 5: 1 team, if we find 3 extra players we could have 2 teams
- Coaches: In need of Coaches for the teams

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Provide update at the next meeting

8. NEXT MEETING: 7:15pm Tuesday 10th April.

9. CLOSE MEETING: 8:00pm



Outstanding Actions from Meeting

ITEM TITLE	ACTION	WHO	DEADLINE
St Peter's Dads	School Campout; WWCC – provide update at April meeting	R. Boyd	10 April
Basketball	Moveable Hoops Awards to be organised	P. Brennan S. Smith A. Rawson	Ongoing
Disco	Update on progress re: plans	O. Browne J. Southern	10 April Meeting
Entertainment Book	Promote Pre-sales Hand out and manage book sales – provide update at next meeting	G. Ruehland N. Palermo-Martin	10 April Meeting
Netball	Provide an update regarding extra coaches and players Awards to be organised	D Farley A.Rawson	10 April Meeting
Seminars	Alison to confirm details with Alpha Motivation and update regarding additional seminar	A.Rawson	Ongoing
Mother's Day Stall	Update from Committee re: event		10 April Meeting