

## Woonona Public School P&C Association News – April 2019

Welcome and welcome back! If you have a child at Woonona Public School, we'd love you to become a member of the P&C.

The Parents and Citizens Association (P&C) of Woonona Public School brings parents, staff and other members of the community together, to advance the best interests of our great school and its students. The P&C plays an important role in supporting the school through parent volunteer Sub-Committees which support the programmes and activities that the School is involved with. All parents are invited to participate in the activities of the P&C.

Thanks to the collective efforts and generosity of YOU, we start the year with a healthy bank balance, exciting projects underway (playground extension and library refurbishment), ideas for potential projects (such as an outdoor learning space), canteen and uniform shops serving our families, and well-supported fundraisers.

We are keen to create opportunities to build social connections between school, parents and community, while having fun! We want to hear your ideas and utilise your skills! I'm excited about the year ahead and am confident that, working as a team we can make a real difference in building our school community and making WPS even better.

The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm in the staff room. If interested, please come along and share your ideas and support, even if you're not eager to take on a task. It's a great group of people, supported by a huge network of parents.

We understand that not everyone is able or interested in coming to meetings, or volunteering on rosters, or contributing financially! This is absolutely fine. All the support that is given, including suggestions and ideas is very *appreciated*. We are all part of this community, and every little bit counts to make our school an even better place for our kids.

Thank you!

Marg Nichols  
P&C President



The **P&C Executive team** have been busy getting familiar with their roles, getting signatures swapped, reading up on P&C procedures, revisiting the vision of what our P&C is.

L-R: Rebecca Griffith (*Secretary*), Andromeda Lembo (*Vice President*), Marg Nichols (*President*), Justin Dixon (*Vice President*), Terri Toneguzzo (*Treasurer*)



**Next P&C meeting** Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm in the staff room. Please come along and hear about school activities and policy, meet other parents, and contribute your ideas as we set goals for 2019

## Election Day BBQ and Cake Stall

How amazing is our community!! From the people who walked past other polling places just to come to WPS, to those who baked or bought cakes, to the many volunteers who joined on the day, those who purchased food and even so much encouragement always is appreciated.

It is so rewarding to see such a buzz created in our school with the wider community being involved.

Our WPS kids are going to love the epic play equipment that is in the works that this money will go towards.

Total raised after costs was a massive \$1,962 with an almost even split between the two stalls



## Hydration Station at the 2-6 Cross Country



A little effort can go a long way!

Thank you to all the wonderful people who kept our kids hydrated and recovering at the 2-6 Cross Country.

To all who brought marquees, supplied water containers with ice, served the runners, set up, cleaned up and opened up the BJFC... Thanks!

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## 2018 and the outgoing P&C committee members

A big thank you to ALL for your contributions to the P&C and our school community in 2018 (including Year 6 graduating families). We hope to include a snapshot of 2018 events and achievements in the next newsletter.

In particular, a huge thank you to Amanda Hawker for your leadership and commitment over many years. To Lesley Potgieter, Jackie Pipe, Bec Cusack, Renee Beckett, Elizabeth Phillips and Kristy Smith – thank you for all your efforts in your various roles. We hope you will be sticking around!

## Welcome Morning Tea for Kindergarten Families, Hosted by Year 1

On Friday 3 May (Term 2, Week 1), Kindergarten will be showcasing their artworks and own self-portraits in the school hall. All parents / grandparents are invited to attend the showcase at the following times:

KW and KL: 9.30am - 10.10am

KS and KM: 10.20-11.00am

The P&C with Year 1 parents are pleased to invite all Kindergarten parents, grandparents and carers to a morning tea meet and greet.

This is a wonderful opportunity for families to connect and meet each other, and something we hope may become an annual event.

Year 1 parents will host the Kindy parents this year. Then next year, Year 1 families will host the new 2020 Kindy families, and so on.

If you are a Year 1 parent and would be happy to bring a plate of food or help out on the morning (eg. set up, serve tea and percolator coffee etc), please contact Marg Nichols at [enquiries@wppc.com.au](mailto:enquiries@wppc.com.au)



**meet & greet**

*Kindy Parents & Carers*  
*Welcome morning tea*

<b>May</b>	Come and meet other families in Kindergarten at Woonona Public School Tea, Coffee and morning tea provided Hosted by Year 1 families with the P&C This event will run concurrently with the Kindy showcase in the Hall
<b>3</b>	
<b>9-10.15</b>	
@ Kindy line up area	

## Hot Cross Bun Drive

Time is running out to place your hot cross bun orders.

Place your orders online at <http://www.quickliq.com.au> and use the EVENTS menu or return your form and payment to school, by Friday 5th April, 2019.

Buns will be delivered to classes or OOSH on 11th of April. If you are available to help sort orders between 9-11.30am on 11/4, please email [manyhandsmakelw@gmail.com](mailto:manyhandsmakelw@gmail.com)





## Additional Playground Equipment

A lot of hard work has already occurred to secure funding for some much-needed additional children's playground equipment (Moduplay Capital Combination Unit), soft fall mulch and safer edging around the new and existing play area in 2019. This new equipment will be located adjacent to the existing playground.

The P&C has been working closely with staff and parent representatives, students and Moduplay to come up with three different playground designs.

**However the coming weeks will be the most exciting part so far!**

All staff will see the designs, and the children will get to vote to select their favourite! We will share with you the results on the Parents facebook page and in the next newsletter.



## Canteen News



**Thank you** to all our wonderful canteen volunteers in Term 1.

You have served more than 2,700 student orders, prepared more than 6,000 products, and kept the canteen open every day!

Thank you for supporting the families of Woonona Public School.

The **Term 2 Roster** is currently being prepared. We are in need of more volunteers! If you are interested in helping in the canteen, or are a current volunteer and would like to request a particular date, please email Kristy [canteen@wppc.com.au](mailto:canteen@wppc.com.au)

We are also looking for an **assistant canteen coordinator** to join the team. To find out more, please contact Beck Griffith, Canteen Co-ordinator [canteen@wppc.com.au](mailto:canteen@wppc.com.au) Thank you!

## Upcoming Events & Opportunities to be involved

We have some fun activities planned that you may like to participate in or get involved in helping this year.

Whether it be to make new friends, to help others out, to get involved with your child's school or even if you prefer to offer your time by doing a task from home.

All help is greatly appreciated and there will always be someone to show you what to do if you are unsure.

Here is a brief summary of some P&C run events that you may be able to help at.

More events will be announced in the coming months!

Please email [manyhandsmakelw@gmail.com](mailto:manyhandsmakelw@gmail.com)

to offer help or with any questions.



### Hot Cross Buns

- Thursday 11/4 - Hot Cross Bun Drive delivery.
- People required to sort bun orders between 11am-1.30pm



### Mother's Day

- Wednesday 1/5 – Wrapping of Mother's Day gifts 10am-1pm
- Thursday 9/5 – Mother's Day Stall
- People required to run the stall 9am-1pm



### Kindergarten Parents Meet & Greet morning tea (Hosted by Year 1)

- Friday 3/5 9.05am-10.15 (concurrent with Kindergarten showcase)
- All Kindergarten parents and carers invited to come and enjoy
- Year 1 families welcome to host and/or provide a plate of morning tea



### Trivia Night!

- Friday 21/6
- Lots of ways to get involved and have fun!
- More details to come...



### Father's Day

- Friday 23/8 – Wrapping of Father's Day Stall gifts 9am-1pm
- Thursday 29/8 – Father's Day Stall
- People required to help run the stall 9am-1pm.

**MINUTES (DRAFT)**  
**Woonona Public School P&C Association**  
**Meeting – Wednesday 13th March 2019**

PRESENT: Tim Fisher, Alison Strinic, Hayley Mulrooney, Amanda Hawker, Jackie Pipe, Andromeda Lembo, Terri Toneguzzo, Loren Marsh, Kristy Smith, Lesley Potgieter, Rebecca Griffith, Jayde Neal; Justin Dixon, Marg Nichols, Kristie West, Maryann Bransdon, Kate Rayner, Rob Burgess, Sarah Longhurst, Vincent Gordon, and Brenden Hawker.

APOLOGIES: Danielle Mulhern, Renae Beckett, Elizabeth Phillips, and Bec Cusack

AGM:

Amanda thanked the school parent community and staff. She has been part of the committee for the last 7 years. She also thanked her husband and children (who have attended numerous meetings over the years).

Nominations were taken for each position. There was no need to vote as only one person was nominated for each position (with the exception of Vice-president). Positions were filled as follows:

Executive Positions:

President	Marg Nichols
Vice-President	Justin Dixon and Andromeda Lembo
Secretary	Rebecca Griffith
Treasurer	Terri Toneguzzo

Committees:

Uniform Shop	Terri Toneguzzo and Sarah Longhurst
Fundraising	Jayde Neal - volunteering Andromeda, Terri and Rebecca
Scholastic	Penny Starr and Jayde Neal
Canteen Coordinator	Rebecca Griffith
Canteen Assistant Coordinator	Vacant for Now
Canteen Accounts & Banking	Rebecca Griffith
Canteen Ordering	Rebecca Griffith
Canteen Rostering	Kristy Smith

As a result of the changes we will need to change the signatures on accounts. The signatories on the General, Canteen and Uniform Account and Term Deposit will need to be changed to Margaret Nichols, Rebecca Griffith and Terri Toneguzzo.

Marg thanked the outgoing Executive committee.

Everyone introduced themselves, their children and mentioned some positives about the school/P&C.

Marg set some of the expectations for meetings going forward:

- In consideration of all attending, everyone was encouraged to:
  - o focus on issues not on personalities
  - o confine the discussion to the topic – stay on track
  - o listen to all members' points of view
  - o avoid speaking at great length
  - o feel free to ask for explanations
  - o allow only one person to speak at a time
  - o avoid private conversations while someone else is speaking'

#### MINUTES ACCEPTED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

Jackie Pike and Amanda Hawker

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Congratulations to Kristy on the birth of her baby.

Tim needs to leave by 8pm tonight. But he promoted that in future we aim to finish by 8pm. It means it is perhaps a more manageable commitment for someone to make and could mean we attract more attendees.

#### MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

##### **Playground Upgrade**

Meeting with Moduplay, staff representatives and parent representatives was held last Friday. Talked through the various options (refer attached draft design). Some feedback from Kristy West based on her feedback from what she has seen in other schools. Monkey bars will also have hanging handles to allow for shorter/younger children to still use the monkey bars. The kids will now vote for their favourite options.

At this stage the estimated cost is >\$30 000. Marg requested that if required we could have prior approval to spend an additional \$10 000 more. To try and save some money and generate some community spirit an idea was put forward to do a Parent Working Bee to replace the edging and the mulch. Hopefully local businesses/parents could then also get involved. Some more work/planning is required prior to getting this off the ground. There is the potential to save \$8000 if we did this ourselves.

There was a unanimous vote to commit to an additional \$10 000 which could be used on the Playground Upgrade if needed.

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

Numerous fundraising letters  
Entertainment Books Fundraiser

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

Accounts have been audited (Report filed). A total of \$33 164.22 was raised in 2018.

Bank Balances as at 28 February 2019:

- Canteen Account \$27235.91
- Uniform Account \$27227.64
- General Account \$40534.36
- Term Deposit \$50000.00

\$50 000 has already been committed to spend on the Library Refurbishment.

\$25 000 has now been committed to spend on the Playground Refurbishment.

Remainder of the money is not yet allocated to any particular project. When considering allocation of funds \$20 000 needs to be kept in the canteen/uniform account to allow for future uniform orders/canteen stock orders.

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Report attached. Additional comments/discussion arising from the report.

**Staff Wish List:** All agreed that the outdoor learning space sounded like a great next project.

**Cross Country:** Students that turn 7 in Year 2 will join the other Year 2 students and do a shorter circuit. Staff requested that the P&C run a water stall and potentially put up some shade shelters at the Bulli Park. Marg will make contact with the President of the Bulli Soccer Club to see if any arrangements can be made so that we could have access to fresh water.

**Parent/Teacher Interviews:** There are still numerous families that have not yet signed up for the Parent Portal. Andromeda to speak to Rebecca Gibson to see if a post should be made on the facebook site to remind parents to sign up.

**Teacher Photos:** Please be patient – the school is working on the website so that there are photos of all the teachers. The P&C Executive committee will also make introductions.

**Newsletter:** The newsletter goes out every second Tuesday. If you want something in the newsletter make sure it is on the Monday prior to the newsletter being sent out.

## CANTEEN:

- Canteen meeting was held (see attached minutes).
- Going forward there will be monthly canteen meetings with minutes being presented at the next P&C meeting.
- A very big thank you to Bec Cusack for her role on the Canteen committee over many years

## FUNDRAISING REPORT:

- Hall has been booked for Fundraising Events.
- Election BBQ and cake stall will be held on the 23 March 2019. Note went out today. The note has not yet been sent via School Enews.
- Beck Griffith has volunteered to coordinate the Entertainment Book Fundraiser.
- Terri Toneguzzo has started working on the Hot Cross Buns Fundraiser. Discussed delivery options. Note to go out soon.
- Mother's Day gifts have been ordered.
- Tentative date for Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> June for a Parent Function.
- The Year 6 Fundraising Team have met. Tim to meet with the Fundraising Committee to ensure there are sufficient gaps.

## UNIFORM SHOP:



No new updates. Renae has resigned from her role of Uniform shop coordinator after 5/6 years. A very big thank you to her too.

MEETING CLOSED: 20:10

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019 at 6.30pm

**DRAFT AGENDA**  
**Woonona Public School P&C Association**  
**Meeting – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019 6:30pm**

1. Welcome and Apologies
2. Minutes
3. Appointment of Auditors
4. Matters Arising from Previous Meetings
  - \* Account signatories
  - \* Playground upgrade / Working Bee
  - \* Sentral sign-up
  - \* P&C introductions and newsletter
  - \* New canteen menu
5. Correspondence
6. Reports
  - \* President's Report
    - *What is the purpose/mission of the WPS P&C? Enabling this purpose, and the 2018-2020 school strategic plan to shape our goals for 2019.*
    - *Purpose and proper procedures for P&C meetings*
    - *School Community Engagement and Communication (P&C communication to, from and between parents)*
    - *Possibly three new teams/subcommittees: (i) Grants (ii) Greater community engagement / parent social committee (iii) Working Bee*
  - \* Treasurer's Report
  - \* Principal's Report
  - \* Canteen Sub-Committee Report
  - \* Uniform Shop Sub-Committee Report
  - \* Fundraising Sub-Committee
7. General Business
  - \* What is the purpose/mission of the WPS P&C? - Small group brainstorming activity
  - \* Lost property
8. Closing