

MEETING DETAILS	
Date and Time	25 October meeting 2023 7pm
Location	Zoom

General: My apologies I am unable to attend this P&C meeting as I will be in Sydney at a conference.

- For discussion:
 - The current \$48 voluntary contribution increase to \$50 for 2024
 - BYOD Year 6 continues, option of Year 5 participating if desired. Information is about to go home. Seeking P&C feedback.
- ICAS results have been excellent
- Thank you to the community for their involvement in the Community Garden Project
- Thank you to the P&C for:
 - All the work done on the new uniform- it is looking fantastic!
 - Organising the T4 Disco
 - Organising treats for staff to acknowledge World Teacher's Day
- Term 4 off to an exciting- fast paced start. In first few weeks;
 - Kinder transition, Year 5 Buddy Program
 - Community Garden Project
 - Stage 3 Interrelate
 - P and C Disco
 - Film Workshop for Year 6 students
 - Band Performance at Alder Park Bowling Club
 - World Teacher's Day
 - Train-On Debating Workshop at Belair
 - PSSA State Athletics

A busy term ahead with lots of events planned, including reporting on student progress. Keep your eye on the school calendar.

- **2024 Class Structure:** We are starting to look at student numbers and class structure for 2024. The last of our very large cohorts of Year 6 (following the tightening of the Out of Zone Enrolment policy by the Department) coupled with current Kinder enrolments for 2024 sitting at 48, we are likely to drop from 16 to 15 classes next year. Looking at where our students sit across grades we are in the likely position that we will have composite classes in 2024 as was the case this year.
- **Stage 2 2024 Camp:** An expression of interest has been sent to families of students in Y3 and 4 2024. In 2023 we moved towards a staged based approach to excursions to support learning in the classroom. This involved all Stage 2 students (Year 3 and Year 4) being offered the opportunity to attend the Great Aussie Bush camp in Term 1. In 2024 students will experience a different style of accommodation and different style of camping at Pt Wolstoncroft – one of the NSW Sport and Recreation Camps. We have also moved this camp to Term 3 to allow our Year 3 students six months more time to gain independence before an overnight excursion. We plan to alternate these two different styles of camps for our Stage 2 students in an even year / odd year program into the future. Both camp contexts provide a range of activities so that we can select different programs each year to ensure variety across the 2 year cycle.

School Improvement Plan

Strategic Direction 1: Data and Personalised Learning

- Enrichment, COVID ILSP and LaST groups continuing.

- Staff professional learning Term 4: Strong focus on the teaching of mathematics, wellbeing and new curriculum implementation.
- Check- in assessment data Term 4 utilised for teacher planning and professional learning.

Strategic Direction 2:

Community Engagement-

- Community Garden a wonderful success. This came out of a Sustainability Grant of \$15000 the school was successful in gaining. Funds were topped up by the school so that the intended project could incorporate some of the school's environmental initiatives.
- Whole school assembly in Week 4 and Week 9 of term

Wellbeing-

- Anxiety Pilot Project continues- we have received the finalised sets of resources and they will be trialled across various classes. Students that parents had nominated to be involved in this project have completed a pre-survey and will complete a post survey to evaluate the resources developed. Staff continue to trial and discuss various programs, ideas and strategies for a whole school approach to wellbeing programs that we can commence implementing in 2024.
- Aboriginal Yarn up in Week 5. All of the school community are welcome to join. The new Aboriginal student PLP (Personalised Learning Plan) will be discussed, seeking consultation and feedback ready for implementation in 2024.

Strategic Direction 3:

Innovative Curriculum

- K-6 staff continue with professional learning for implementation of the new curriculum for maths and English.
- 3-6 classroom resources for literacy and mathematics to support implementation of curriculum have been purchased.
- BYOD program- information to go to parents this week. Inclusion of Year 5 students at parents decision.
- School has purchased approximately \$50000 of laptops and Ipads for use in classrooms across K-6.

Leadership

- SRC program ongoing
- Apsiring Leadership professional learning and mentor support commenced.
- School leadership process for Year 6 2024 leaders about to commence.

Playground/Assets

- There has been one update released from School Infrastructure early this term that was sent to community. School Infrastructure have agreed to two formal communication per term, so we will expect another before the end of the year. It is hoped that some of the initial works will commence over the Christmas school break. Unfortunately for the remediation to be done correctly it is a time-consuming process which I am assured is continuing to advance over the weeks.
- Due to asbestos on grounds and potential work on site, Share Our Space will not be available over the Christmas holiday break and Belair Vacation Care will be at Kotara South site as for previous breaks.

Kind regards,
Kathie Colley