

P&C Meeting Wednesday 6th Nov 2019

Attendees: Melanie Macri, Mark Chaffer, John Wyllie, Stephanie Hicks, Rachel Applewhite, Heather Cervantes, Laura Hixson, Diviboon Sithongpea, Rashmi Shrestha

Apologies: Hattie Delaney, Wendy Bourne, Linda Gee, Emma O'Keefe

Minutes

Start time: 19.35pm

Welcome - Heather

Introductions

Minutes for approval – minutes approved

Thanks for the sanitisers, great that's been organised
Just need the poster to be printed and put up on hand washing

Principal update and school news - Mark

Term 4 Focus: Respectful learners

Dance sport

Gala event term 3, delight for kids, staff and parents
See the kids perform, amazing night
1000 kids from 20 schools, very big event and beautiful night
dancesport is quite an elite sport, has quite a presence
even kids not into dance want to be part of dance sport
more and more NB schools taking part
thanks to teachers John Wyllie, Clare Skelding and Ashley Watson

Carnivale 2019

Everything went so well
Big thanks to all parents, teachers, co-ordinators, staff, p&c involved
Couldn't have done it without everyone
Proud of parents and parents food, everyone enjoyed

Spring Holiday Jobs

Painting reds and blues, panels installed D block looks so much better
All plants in bloom
Really good job
Few more signs and bits and pieces on the way
Big thanks to Terry and everyone involved

Taikoz

Incursion, Japanese drums, had a great time
Such great energy

Big thanks to Yenny and Music dept

Upcoming events, listed in newsletter

Save the dates

School disco coming up 6th Dec

Presentation day on 10th Dec

Reports going home on 16th Dec, Games Day and P&C carols

Last day of term 18th Dec – (Incorrect date on Newsletter, needs to be changed)

Presidents update - Heather

Incoming Kindy families, was great to see

Hall wasn't available for playgroups, but equipment was on the other side

Everyone had a great time anyway

Meron is amazing

Everyone enjoyed

Kids so excited

Next P&C meeting, last one, open up the doors at 7pm and have more food, drinks, everyone welcome, all new parents for Kindy next year, wonderful recap, mini celebration

Sounds good and inviting

And positive recap

End of year wrap up

Talk about all our accomplishments and what we are looking forward to

Can open up a bit earlier if okay

Colourful invite to new parents on facebook, flyer online and at the front entrance

Uniform shop

Lots of good feedback on new hat

Template school dress, from Olga, looks very smart, in addition to uniform but completely optional

Discuss style, trim button, check, and details

Keep looking into further options

Uniform is the brand, and recognisable as school identity

Might not be possible to happen until next summer

Voting, shortlist them, and go with the majority

Canteen Report – Read by Steph for Kathie

Here is a little info regarding our menu.

Frozen Watermelon wedges are being very much enjoyed during both recess & lunch.

Chicken Quesadillas have become hit for lunch amongst children in each year also.

Weet-bix has recently been added to the recess menu, which is also available over the counter.

Hot chocolate has been removed till an alternate cup/lid can be found.

Children are showing growth & proudness of their self help as well as people skills while using the tomato, bbq & soy sauces on the canteen counter. Examples

are working out how to 'sauce' their food with minimal or no mess, waiting their turn, asking for help or offering to help.

Year 6 as well as a few year 5 students have volunteered during recess and lunch to assistant in service. Their simple 'What do you want? quickly becomes 'how may I help you? Or 'What would you like please?'. Their enjoyment & proudness while volunteering is an absolute delight to see.

Children in each year are continuing to offer their services...they can't wait to join me on the other side! With so much love, I remind them that wonderful people skills is most important while they try their best at maths.

Important information regarding Lunch orders....

Our full menu can be accessed for recess & lunch online via Flexischools and over the counter at the canteen each day/morning until 9am. After 9am until 10:30am, a limited menu is available via Flexischools only. This service began on Monday the 4th of November.

Thanking Vice President Stephanie Hicks for her ongoing support along with family volunteers who have joined me during prep, recess & lunch times. Each have helped in providing an inviting & enjoyable environment for our children, families and visitors at our school.

Chicken quesadillas great addition (made 27 today), wrap, cheese chicken, not expensive, it's a big meal, equivalent to a hot food meal

Weetabix added

Hot chocolate removed

Children showing great self-help and development skills, using sauces well and helping each other

Full menu accessed online

Thanks to volunteers

Over counter orders were getting too late getting into prep time

Now limited menu btwn 9-9.30, and to cater to those that might miss it

People were coming in at 10.30, too late

150 nuggets a day

talked about having a chicken wrap

passed Cert with council

everything going really well

good flow of volunteers

consistent volunteers

morning and help with food prep

kids loved helping in the canteen in the disco

fridge broke down, compressor went, got that fixed

threw things out, was no milk

kids love the milk, fruit, yoghurt

could think about a breakfast club prior to bell ringing

not serving ice blocks at recess, they are eating frozen fruit instead

Kathie is so focused on healthy options and made as enjoyable for kids and its really working well

Fundraising and Events - Heather

Carnivale was amazing

Thanks to all families, staff, it was amazing for the raffle, we raised \$2251

Which makes \$4504.25 combined with BBQ for the new Sound System

How much do we need to raise?

We are raising part of it, the rest from the school

We can fit it into school so it can be moved and changed, incase of moving

Blue tooth connectivity, so microphone can be used without a lead

A lot of work into powerlines and safety installations etc (Mark & John)

Carnivale BBQ was massive hit, volunteers worked very hard

Last minute people jumped in, was good

Thanks to people that have sponsored us

Want to thank them with Christmas cards and gift box, suggest budget of \$150 for thanking them

- approved

What were the signs advertising in front of the park? (Elaine)

On the bicycles?

Don't like the distracting signs attached to school railings, distracting and selling to kids and parents – Mark to look into it

Disco – snacks, beach bash, summer, neon beach theme

Requested the same guy as before

Some kids & parents felt it was a bit loud and lots of games & screaming (Elaine)

Less noise, less games and more music

DJ company are very open to suggestions, that's good

Do we have to have a disco every term? (Mel)

Yes

Next year more Kindy volunteers

Soft plastic recycling bins needed next time (Elaine)

Mop for wet floors instead of using lots of paper towels

Puddles of water a slipping hazard

Have the canteen open next time, was great, thanks Steph

More family activities outside, getting people together, that was good (Elaine)

Teacher appreciation lunch, Wed Dec 11th, we will put on to Staff

Woolies to donate Wraps

Last time \$350 budget, spent on food, sushi, good spread of food.

We just let teachers enjoy and leave them to eat

People would be happy to bake things, make it more personal, giving

Approve a budget of \$300?

-approved

End of year family picnic and carols on 16th Dec
Last year was cancelled due to rain
4.30pm – 6.30pm
kids performing
come and set up picnic blanket, and sausage sizzle by 4.30pm latest
4.30pm to 5.30pm training band and recorders group
'special visitor' arriving
5.30pm to 6.30pm singing carols

Mel to look into options for dress up 'Special Guests' – knows some contacts

We have to do a Giving Tree
Speak to Kim about organising
Open to potential sponsors

Narrabeen Oval – had big colour fun run, big inflatables, sent a message asking for an info pack
Water run, colour run, or school fun run
School raise a lot of money through them
Really impressed at how well run it is

Sustainability

Our P&C Sustainability Committee are now collecting oral health care packaging and products to prevent them from going to landfill.
We have placed boxes outside KH and 2J classrooms
We will send them to Terracycle who will separate, melt and mould them into new recycled products.

We have also welcomed Ngarruu Native Stingless Bees to our school. Dan Smailes from Sydney Native Bees kindly donated these rescue bees to our school.
Important kids understand they are stingless bees
Had an incursion in the hall about the bees to educate the kids

Laura has a suggestion about **plastic pollution solutions**

Run by one guy Anthony travelling all around Aus
Workshops from pre-school to Uni, he is incredible enthusiastic, and his programmes really get you, all these programmes that really get you to understand
Really encourages children to be so aware of plastic
Has different programmes from K-6, and can choose from different programmes
He will be here in Term 1 of 2020
Can come to our school, and do as Incursion, and parents can pay something
The way he presents, is so catchy and you will see results
Pricelist is affordable
Emailed him and he can do the whole school workshop for \$1000 to \$1200 for whole day
Can extend it to parents at end of day
Pretty standard price

Can send you (Mark) email with options, he so much offer
Get Laura to fill out P&C application and try to book that in

Safety Update

We are upgrading to metal Gate Safety Signs. These are to remind everyone to keep the school gates closed during school hours. They are on order. Currently no sign on gates.

Any more news?...

Swimming Carnivale

Next Swimming Carnivale booked into Manly Aquatic Centre
Half a day bookings for schools

Thanks for our new running club

We run around Dee Why Oval, and time each other each week
Running Distance 2-3k, depending on age
Years 2-6

Meeting Closed: 21.09pm