



James Erskine Public School P & C Association

53 Peppertree Drive, Erskine Park NSW 2759



P & C MEETING 31.07.2024

Meeting Opened: 6.01pm

Item 1 - Present: Louise Huggett, Julieanne Lokeni, Darren Pound, Candice Clark, Sarah Elali, Rose Kingi, Bek Reid, Amanda Grigg, Pelin Himo, Drew Vella, Virginia D'Angelis

Item 2 - Apologies: Emily Keen, Ashleigh Chalker, Jess Campbell, Nathan Davis

Item 3 – Welcome

Acknowledgment of county

Item 4 – Presidents Report

Welcome everyone,

Hopefully tonight won't be too long I understand some teachers and parents have been at the athletics carnival all day.

Finally the school received our sports cabanas that were at the sports carnival today this was the biggest back and forth thing ever anyway we got there in the end and they looked great.

This term for us has our Father's Day stall on the 29th of August which is a Thursday any parent helpers are more than welcome we love any help makes the morning run very smooth.

The next day the 30th of August a Friday We have our Father's Day breakfast not sure of the starting time yet but most likely 7:30am but will post it soon on our Facebook page again If you could also lend a hand any help on that morning is much appreciated.

Item 5 – Previous Minutes Accepted by: Pelin
seconded by: Amanda

Item 6 – Matters arising from the Previous Minutes: None

Item 7 – Principal's Report

Leave I will be taking leave from Aug 6 to August 20. Ms D'Angelis will be Rel. Principal and Mrs Halfpenny Rel Deputy. Very happy to take leave knowing we have two great leaders at the helm.

Family Calendar We made contact with My Family Calendar, who visited our last P&C meeting. We received an email from her last week that she has closed her business due to the government budget cuts and is no longer operational. This has led us to activate the calendar in the Sentral app with all events for the term, to be pushed out this Friday.

Support Class I have just signed off on our first Support Class that will be open in Term 4. There is still a process to go through in terms of a ramp for the demountable and recruitment, however this all working away in the background. Very exciting times for JEPS, and we look to receive 2 further classes in 2024

External Sport Events I sent a letter to the community last term (see handout) in regard to expectations of parents and community at school events and that in light of an unfortunate and embarrassing situation at an Oz Tag gala day, involving members of our community intimidating and harassing a staff member of another school, that I have made the decision that unless I can attend, we would not participate in such events. This is not a reflection on the students. Due to the Panther trophy being postponed last term, we are unable to attend as we have prior whole-school organisation that has been planned for quite some time. There have been a few complaints about this, however I stand by my decision.

Upcoming Performances Westfield Education Week - Tues 6th student performances at around 10:30am. Wakkakirri Festival - Monday 19th August in Parramatta STEPS Festival - Thursday 22nd August at Panthers. Stage 3 Camp 2025 Costings for a Stage 3 camp for next year are coming in at approximately \$365 – without buses. Looking to potentially hold these every 2nd year due to the financial pressures on families. Thoughts? We will more than likely send a survey out. Water leak School Infrastructure are developing communication for us to share with community. Works were meant to take place in the holidays however Sydney water don't want the water turned off and want it diverted but have to devise a 'divert' plan before works start. Council and ourselves, (through Asset Management) are attempting to rush this as it is becoming a hazard. Comms to come. Gazebo's Thank you so much – these look amazing! They showcased today at the carnival and the house colours really stood out. They are also high quality – thick almost canvas covers. These will last a while. Thanks again from staff and students.

Item 8 - Deputy's Report: None

Item 9 - Correspondence In:

Australian Fundraising
Cadbury Fundraising

Item 10 -Treasurers Report:

Uniform Shop Account
Opening balance \$27,482.53
Closing balance \$ 28,614.99

General Account
Opening balance \$52,480.03
Closing balance \$48,699.37

Since this balance we have cashed some cheques and paid some invoices.

Item 11 - Uniform Report: None

Item 12 - Fundraising Report: None

Item 13 - General Business

Parent question-What happens if the school doesn't find any teachers for the support unit?

Ms Kingi response - One of the teachers at JEPS would like to apply. We will only be starting off with one support class for now.

Parent question- Where are the school photos?

Ms D'Angelis to follow up. We should have had them back in term 2.

P&C question- has the school looked at ordering the Year 6 shirts yet?

Year 6 School shirts are being pre ordered and the school will be taking pre-paid orders at the end of the year. They are in the process of being organised.

Parent question- Why are the kids being asked to design a new school logo?

The logo was originally designed by student back in 1988 – The students were asked to refresh the logo. For down the track, this will not happen anytime soon and will be a slow rollout.

Parent question- do we know when book week will be?

Book week info will go out next Monday. Theme for book week is Magic.

Ms Kingi question for P&C- would you consider offering a Zoom meeting for the next P&C meeting?

Held a discussion with everyone there about pros and cons with a zoom meeting. It would allow others who have children at home or are at training to log in and listen. Someone from the school will help with the Zoom meeting, it will be muted for everyone and we will take comments and questions through the comment feature. Next meeting will be a zoom meeting.

Meeting Closed: 6.55pm

Next Meeting: 28th of August 2024. Zoom meeting- but can be attended in person as well.