

James Erskine Public School P & C Association



53 Peppertree Drive, Erskine Park NSW 2759

P & C MEETING AGENDA

- 1. Meeting Open 6.34pm
- 2. **Present** Louise Huggett, Bronwyn Clarke, Teagan Wade, Narelle Tuiaki, Pelin Himo, Nathan Davies, Jessica Campbell, Emily Keen, Jessica Seymour, Darren Pound, Sarah Elali, Julianne Lokeni Rose and Kim.
- 3. Apologies Renae Aitken, Rebecca Reid, Mandy Scuglia, Tash Walker, Ashlie Valassis
- 4. Welcome to country
- 5. Minutes of previous meeting
 - **5.1** Previous minutes accepted Bronwyn Clarke
 - 5.2 Seconded by Teagan Wade
- 6. Matters Arising from previous minutes Nil
- 7. Principal's Report

Staffing:

AP positions: - we have formed the panel and the advert closed today. We hope to finalise the process by end of week 5. Mel Bates - Stage 1 AP resigned from the Department last term. Her last day was Friday 21st July. Andrew Rolls will relieve as Stage 1 AP until the position is filled.

Teacher positions: Amanda Weibye and Taryn Peers both received a transfer to St Clair Public School. Renee Sheridan and Kirsten Finn have been appointed to JEPS permanently. The government temp to permanent positions also roll out on August 14 for our network and we have two teachers who will be eligible for permanent positions through this process.

Conrad Update

Update on Conrad - he is recovering well from his transplant. We are having good success with our raffles. On the day we are having Colour Run and we are looking for parent helpers to assist with obstacles - alongside the P&C organisation.

School Events

Education Day tomorrow with Open Classrooms

Peer Support - going great. Leaders are loving the opportunity to lead and teach small groups. Younger kids are loving being part of mixed groups and making friends across the school.

STEPS Festival - Is approaching. Groups performed at Westfield yesterday

Wakkakirri - Students perform in Parramatta on the 15th. Miss Garland is working hard preparing the students and they are all very excited.

Athletics Carnival - K2. Notes will come home soon and P&C will be holding bbq and more on the day.

Kindy - Lots happening in Kindy with their ducklings and the farm excursion coming up.

Kimberwalli Stepping Up Day - ATSI students attending Kimberwalli with other STEPS schools for a cultural day later in the month.

Fathers Day - Week 7. Teachers will do activities for dads in classrooms.

Real Schools

JEPS are embarking on a partnership with Real Schools - Restorative Practices. The overall power of Real Schools lies in an authentic partnership with community. Staff will be involved in two twilight sessions this term (3pm to 6pm) to begin our professional learning in this space. EPHS (and all High Schools in our E.C network) also participate in Real Schools and we can see the benefits of our students transitioning into these settings with the same expectations. 3-year journey of cultural change.

Excursions

We understand the rising costs that everyone is facing and as a school are heavily subsiding every event that students are involved in. We cannot in good faith expect parents to pay full-cost for many of the activities that we provide children and subsidise as much as we can. We will also communicate this on any note we send out.

Breakfast Club

IGA generously donated bread to our breakfast club in Term 2. We have been seeking out further organisations to assist with donations of bread to continue providing this for students. I have purchased a deep freezer to store the bread once received. If anyone knows of any organisations that can donate we would greatly appreciate. Some students have been bringing in random loaves of bread and it is so heart warming to see.

8. Deputy Principal's Report

School Photos

In the process of being printed. In the later half of last term the company came to take promotional images for the cover. Cover is designed. Photo images have been sent to school for a proof check in terms of correct name to student and spelling. Expecting photos this term. Will keep parents updated.

Compass to Sentral

As parents are aware we have been using Compass this year to mark rolls, reports and to communicate with parents. It is used as a school management system. Previously we have used Sentral but did not use all features, such as emailing parents or online reports.

As a school Sentral had begun offering less support and we looked at Compass. When we were presented with the features of Compass it was very impressive and that is why we moved to Compass, however working with Compass we have found is very different to the colourful features shown. On the ground it has lots of levels and is not as user friendly as we had hoped for this reason and due to other issues we have encountered we have decided to move back to Sentral. Sentral are now offering more support and we find it more user friendly. This will mean that we need to transition back over to Sentral and parents will need to download the Sentral App. We have a transition plan and have started to transition over on a school level. We will be sending information home to parents soon.

Colour Run

Colour Run has launched- Wednesday 30th August in the mid-session 11:20 – 1:20. Currently working with a team to coordinate this event. We will be running it on our back grass. Looking at 3 timeslots for the run- Stage 3, Stage 2 and K-2. Looking for P&C volunteers- 2 to 3 possibly for each session.

Team has been coming up with ideas for the course but would appreciate ideas.

Class with the most profiles Friday will receive a prize and looking at this class designing the course.

More information to be sent home.

3-6 Athletics Carnival

Held in week 1 and was very successful and we appreciate parent support on the day.

9. Correspondence In

Invoices for Father's Day Stall items

Fundraising information from:

- Australian School and club fundraising catalogue
- Cadbury fundraising catalogue
- School Gifts catalogue Father
- CommBank statements
- Midford uniforms

10. Treasurers Report

General account

Opening amount: \$46781.88 Closing amount: \$45186.22 Uniform shop account

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Some money from the uniform shop has yet to be banked.

11. Uniform Shop Report

New sports uniform tops are selling slowly. Since the start of selling to now we have sold 236 tops We have great helpers in the uniform shop which has allowed us to open an extra day this term, now Tuesday and Friday. Reminder that another way you can order is through email as well as place in blue box or come to the shop. Very soon online shop will open and a note will go home so they know how to use it.

12. Fundraising Report

Fundraising report

Since our last meeting the P&C has held one fundraising event which was Teelish brownies. This was a big hit with 220 pack of brownies being sold and a profit of \$1230

Upcoming events are-

K-2 carnival (24th of August 2023)

Where we will be selling bbq/drinks/popcorn/icy. More information will come and a note will go home to preorder.

Colour fun run (30th of August 2023)

Where will be selling food items for either recess or lunch (Info to come). Helpers needed throughout the day, please let us know if you can help even if its for only an hour.

Father's Day stall

This Will be held on Thursday the 31st of August. With gifts ranging from \$2-\$12. We will also be selling the gifts Thursday afternoon on pick up and possibly Friday morning/afternoon.

Halloween disco

27th of October – looking at holding 2 sessions K-2 4pm – 5.30pm and 3-6 5.15pm-7pm. If anyone knows a DJ please let us know.

If you are free to help at any of these events please reach out to the P&C

13. General Business

P&C communication board will be placed near uniform shop to keep the community up to date with events and information that is happening.

Questions asked:

School photos: that parents will not receive a tradition class photo this year as one was not taken. This is incorrect, the company took photos of the students full body in a sitting position and they will use those to make up a tradition class photo.

Parent teacher interviews: had the schools received any feedback about the interviews being in the hall?

Yes they had received some feedback and had addressed those comments to the people. One of the reasons it was in the hall was for safety, so teachers were not by themselves at the other end of the

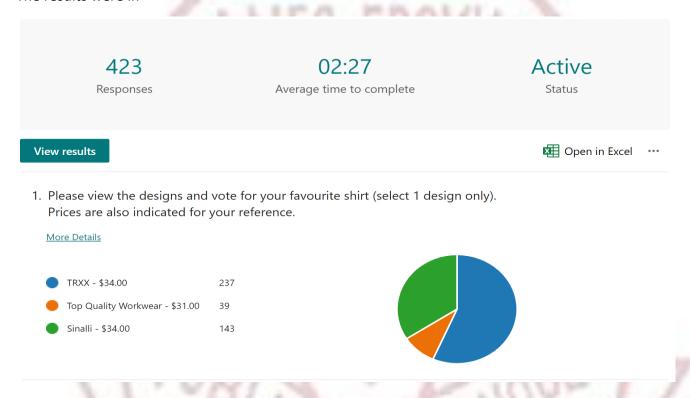
school. Originally the interviews were meant to be held in the library (K-2) and in the hall (3-6) but due to the library being painted they had to have all the interviews in the hall.

Communication: is there a way the school can bring back the term calendars to allow families to know what is coming up and plan for it?

The school is exploring a way of bringing this back and that is what Compass was meant to do.

New school shirts: where are we up to with getting new school shirts in?

The results were in



The School is now handing this back to the P&C to move forward.

P&C has heard the feedback from families about the Year 6 shirts, the cost of the shirts that were surveyed and the fabric. There has been another person has come forward with a company that is able to offer the P&C with cheaper shirts then what was in the survey.

With this all-in mind the P&C will take it on board and come back to the next meeting with options of moving forward.

- 14. Meeting Close 7.48pm
- 15. (Next meeting date) 6th of September 2023 at 6.30pm in the staff room