



James Erskine Public School P & C Association

53 Peppertree Drive, Erskine Park NSW 2759



P & C MEETING- Wednesday 16th of October 2024

Meeting Opened: 6.15pm

Item 1 - Present: In person: Rose Kingi, Virginia D'Angelis, Julieanne Lokeni, Louise Huggett, Emily Keen
Via Zoom: Jessica Campbell, Candice Clark, Amy Kanmaz

Item 2 - Apologies: Amanda Grigg, Bek Reid, Ashleigh Chalker, Darren Pound

Item 3 – Welcome

Welcome to Country

Welcome everyone,
Thank you to the people who have jumped online today.

Hopefully everyone is surviving the early wake ups again because if your anything like my house everyone's still wanting to stay up late and sleep in like they were in the holidays so the mornings have been chaos.

Crazy to think we are term 4 we recently just helped with the year 6 fun day we donated bags of ice and the slushie mixture to make snow cones to help with year 6 farewell.

We have one more fundraising event coming up it's our Halloween dress up disco this disco note will come out this week it will be held in school hours inside the hall so the 31st of October which is a Thursday. Cost is \$5 for entry or \$7 for entry popcorn and a popper. We will like always be selling glow sticks out the front of the office on that day for \$2.

Next meeting will be our AGM meeting on the 20th of November basically what that meeting is for is all our positions become available you are able to be nominated for these positions but you need to be a 2024 financial member.

Item 4 – Previous Minutes Accepted by: Emily Keen **Seconded by:** Sarah Elali

Item 5 – Matters arising from the Previous Minutes: NA

Item 6 – Principal's Report

Yandyinyang

As you all know we are welcoming Special Education classes to JEPS. Mr Jessey Cohen, in consultation with Aboriginal author Jasmine Seymour, have collaborated on the name YANDYINYANG - (Phonetically pronounced Yarn-Jin-Young, say it with a little speed). The meaning of this is WE ALL WALK. And for us at JEPS, we will all walk in togetherness as a community, alongside our newest students to provide inclusiveness and equity in learning and life outcomes. We will not refer to our classes as 'special ed' classes or 'the unit' – Yandyinyang is our reference. Thank you all for your ongoing support of Yandyinyang

and the students who will soon join us in this space.

Yandyinyang staff

We have been able to staff our first class that will begin approximately week 5 or 6 of this term. The classroom teacher permanently appointed is Ms Dallas Hepi, who has worked at JEPS for the past 2 years and who is in the process of beginning her Masters in Inclusive Education. The SLSO is Ms Emma Jackson – who has been permanently appointed to the school in Yandyinyang. Congratulations to both Ms Hepi and Ms Jackson.

In week 4 I will be working with staffing to recruit another teacher, an Assistant Principal and 2 SLSO's to staff the further 2 classes that will start in 2025.

Swimming Carnival 2025

We are trialling a full swimming carnival in 2025 at Mt Druitt Pools. We are expecting a lot of novelty events – however I'm not sure many of our children have ever experienced one.

Yavuz Fundraiser

In week 5 we are looking to hold a Creative and Performing Arts day to showcase all our dance groups to community. We are now pairing this with a community event to raise funds for Yavuz in Stage 2 who has cancer. More information will come with organisation and events. Mrs Halfpenny and the Stage 2 team are coordinating the day.

Matai Voices

We have a creative and performing arts program to work with select students.

The program is run by Matai Arts & Innovation and titled: Voices – Bringing Stories to Life through Performance. The aim of the program is to harness the power of performing arts to encourage a sense of belonging, creativity and academic achievement.

The program offers a holistic approach centered on student voice, creativity and collaboration where students explore themes, learn to express themselves authentically and develop essential communication skills. They are working with students in Stage 3.

Item 7 - Deputy's Report:

Last term, through Sentral the Tell Them From Me survey was sent out for families to fill in. This survey allows families to let the school know how its going from your point of view and provide feedback.

We are encouraging all families to take some time to fill in the survey.

In case you can't find it on Sentral here is the link

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/jeps2024>

Item 8 - Correspondence In:

P&C Federation Newsletter

Australian Fundraising Booklet

Item 9 -Treasurers Report:

Uniform Shop

Opening balance - \$19555.98

Closing balance - \$22451.56

General account

Opening balance - \$35443.38

Closing balance - \$39717.44

We have purchased the new accounting software Xero and will start using it after the 1st of November. The accountant will be setting up the system for the P&C.

Item 10 - Uniform Report:

Uniform shop is going well, hours are still the same we will be reassessing next year for hours to be able to open more. Wednesday will be online order packing day going forward.

The opening dates this term for uniform shop will be:

Tuesday 2.30-3.30pm on : 29/10, 12/11, 26/11, 10/12, 17/12

Friday 8.30- 9.30am on: 25/10, 8/11, 22/11, 6/12

Item 11 - Fundraising Report:

For our Father's Day stall we made \$1273.20. The Father's Day raffle raised \$527 which covered most of the Father's Day BBQ that cost \$527.

Our upcoming fundraiser is the Halloween Disco which will be held on the 31st of October during school hours. Parents are able to pay online or in cash but need to return the permission note. Glow sticks will be on sale on the day for students to buy them.

We will be also be fundraising as JEPS Rocks this year just like last year, more information to come.

Item 12 - General Business

Oval – it is shut through the Council at the moment and we go out for sport but not during break time. At the moment the K-2 and 3-6 will keep being in separate play areas during break times.

Meeting Closed: 6.40pm

Next Meeting: AGM 20th of November at school 6pm

