



8th December 2020

Meeting opened: 7.25 pm

Attendance: 16 attendees:

Andrew Whitaker, Catherine Fitzgerald, Jody Bayley, Natasha Brain, Donna Blatchford, Karen Crawford, Stuart Wagland, Nick Lowry, Paula Cowan, Stephanie England, Kate Davis, Peter Reavie, Shirley, Nicole Martin, Robert Killian, Kylie Trabona

Apologies: Tamara Small

Acknowledgement of Country read by Andrew Whitaker.

Acceptance of Minutes

There was acceptance of the minutes from 20th October 2020.

Andrew Whitaker Moved
Stuart Wagland Seconded

Business Arising

None.

Correspondence

None.

Treasurer's Report

 Stuart Wagland (SW)

Full details of report distributed prior to the meeting. Stuart provided overview of the report and finances for October 2020.

Fundraising

 Stephanie England (SE) & Jodie Bayley (JB)

Jodie suggested a fundraiser where you do an interactive walk via an app called Exploria. It becomes a learning and fitness exercise. Exploria could create a walk on the app around the Curl Curl lagoon area especially for the school. The walk could take place any time during Term 1. The P&C agreed this was a great idea.

Stephanie asked Donna if there's any news for 2021 around COVID restrictions at the news regarding fundraisers? Donna mentioned there is a slow easing of restrictions but nothing definite at the moment. The P&C are considering a Comedy Night for Term 1 whilst restrictions are looser.

Andrew reminded Stephanie that netball uniforms need to be ordered ready for Term 1. The school received \$5000 from Bendigo to pay for new Netball uniforms. The new uniforms would be ready for the start of Netball season in April 2021.

Canteen, Uniform Shop and OOSH Report

 Andrew Whitaker (AW)

Canteen

We received our healthy canteen menu accreditation, and we met the NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy. 84% everyday food and 16% occasional. Which is well over the required 75%

Uniform shop

Uniform Shop sales are going well. The second hand/accessories sale made \$1350. Year 6 white shirts left for the printers yesterday and will be handed out to all Year 6 students on the first day of Term 1, 2021.

OOSH

OOSH are now doing some vacation care in December this year. The vacation care is booking up nicely.

Andrew asked Donna if OOSH could get some blinds in the new space. Donna will find out.

Principal's Report Donna Blatchford (DB)

Donna presented the Principal's Report for December 2020.

Key Highlights were:

- The school was audited this term. The audit provides assurance to the Secretary of the Department that public funds and resources allocated to your school, and the areas of child protection, student attendance and work health and safety are effectively managed in accordance with Departmental policy and requirements. Out of the 8 modules, the school received 6 out of 8 modules rated as Satisfactory and 2 out of 8 modules rated as Qualified (with easy identifiable actions to resolve). The school did not receive any unsatisfactory results.
- 2021: At this stage with current numbers for 2021 we will have 32 established classes with a possibly 33rd however, this cannot be confirmed until next year. We have 34 classes this year. Staff has been communicated via the newsletter regarding staff who are leaving and I am able to confirm that we have secured 2 new male teachers who will be appointed on a 3-6 class.
- For 2021, Mrs Rebecca Boyle has been appointed to Deputy Principal – Instructional Leader and will focus on lead the improvement of learning outcomes for K-6 students in literacy and numeracy.
- The school Situational Analysis was discussed with emphasis on student performance in reading being a focus and mandated school target for all NSW public schools. Consultation will continue to occur around the vision statement, strategic directions and focus areas for the CCNPS Strategic Improvement Plan which will be finalised by the end of Term 1 2021.
- Mrs Blatchford confirmed that all students in Year 1 this year had been assessed using the Year 1 Phonics Screening Check which will be mandated next year. These results will be used by the Year 2 team to analyse and determine intensive literacy support required to improve student learning.
- Return to school in 2021. The Friday of the first week of term, the students will go to their 2020 classroom. The students will then be shown their new classrooms and then start as normal and go to their new classrooms the following Monday.
- CCTV is mainly for after school hours but the school is allowed to also monitor the premises during the working day for added security, monitoring sick bay and other specific areas of the school. The Department supports the use of CCTV in this way providing that employees, students and families are aware of the details of the surveillance.
- Donna will write a letter to the community to inform them of this.

Following the Principal report:

- Mrs Brain asked if parents beyond Year 2 could help with reading. Mrs Blatchford agreed that parent returning to support literacy programs would be beneficial especially if they understand the focus areas when supporting reading in the upper years.
- What about numeracy. Mrs Blatchford advised staff are initially analysing reading data to better inform consistency in teaching practices across the school i.e. in analysing and using data to differentiate teaching. Numeracy will also be unpacked and shared with school community.
- There was a discussion about the lack of homework and to see if parents could get more access to what the students are doing in class so that parents could work with their kids more at home. Mrs Blatchford advised that each grade should have in place consistent expectations regarding homework which varies in Years 3-6 and includes students being encouraged to read and practise mathematics concepts learning at school. There was suggestion from parents that further understanding of what is being taught would be helpful. Donna to investigate this further and encourage in the meantime parents to make contact with their child's teacher to gauge what concepts are being taught. Donna discussed the change from Matific to Maths Online for some grades following evaluation of a more broader program that allowed for differentiated learning i.e. program goes beyond Year 6 Andrew said he found Maths Online to be very helpful.

School Council Nicky Lowry (NL)

School Council took place on 11th November. The following was discussed:

- Staff Changes
- School Crossed Supervisor

The next meeting will be in February 2021

Other Business

None.

The P&C would like to thank Donna and Karen for a wonderful 2020 despite the tough year.

Meeting closed 8.45pm

2020 P&C Meetings:

16 February 2021
16 March 2021 (plus AGM)
27 April 2021
8 June 2021
20 July 2020
31 August 2021
12 October 2021
23 November 2021