



Minutes to P & F Meeting

Held in the staff room at 7pm on Wednesday 2nd March, 2016.

Welcome / Prayer / Reflection

Present: Paula Mackenzie, Lisette Tilbrook, Kristy Keeler, Rhianna Scheffner, Melissa Mosele, Anne Scassera, Katrina Catalano, Pia Riachi, Brooke Chatfield, Laura Clipperton, Belinda Old, Monette Coulson, Kristie Enright, Kirsten Birnie, Kym Pennefather, Julie Serafino-Blythe, Jodi Elsten, Helen Barry, Emily Fyshe, Danielle Forrest, Tania Napoli, Claire Treasure, Sally Hutchison, Kelly Catalano, Taryn York.

Apologies: Susie McAtee, Janet Offer, Lisa Dudek.

Minutes of previous Meeting

1st Kirsten Birnie 2nd Kristy Enright

Actions from Previous Minutes:

Maggie Dent: After conducting a Facebook Survey, the topic for the Maggie Dent event is Resilience in children. Tickets will go on sale within 4 weeks. Price is still to be decided but probably around \$20.

School bus stop location: Paula advised that the plans are still with the shire.

Pretzels: Helen Barry – At the Rainbow Fun Run 3 boxes were sold. Price has now been reduced to \$1. If anyone could take a box to sell at home or work that would be great. The initial cost of purchasing the pretzels has been covered. Will just keep on trying to still sell – expiry is 2017.

Netball Tops: The P&F have approved to purchase the shirts. Kath Hancock is meeting with Gartfields next Friday. So we will have an update at the next P&F Meeting.

Easter Raffle: The majority of the P&F agreed that the P&F will purchase the Easter Eggs (about \$200 all up). The teachers will give out one raffle ticket per student. The raffle will take place at line up. Parents will not have to sell tickets or purchase any Easter eggs.

Correspondence

Correspondence Out: Nil

Correspondence In: Fundraising pamphlets. Emily Fyshe took the Mothers Day Stall pamphlets. Taryn York to follow up on the P&F conference.

Reports

Principals Report

Paula has spoken with Lara and she is happy to hold her duty days and provide music clubs on her two duty days. We are reshuffling her days so that on Monday she will hold music club and on Friday she will hold music club, we will monitor how they progresses. This will start next week we will monitor the number of children that join in to see the interest level.

The morning tea was a great success so thank you to our wonderful parents for organising this event. This year we had even more parents, every year it is growing which is what we like to see. Lots of good conversation.

The rainbow run was a fantastic event as always, the day was colourful and full of fun. We are very fortunate to have such wonderful organisers. The day ran smoothly and no one would have known of the problems before the event.

We held our Reconciliation Busy Bee in the church two weeks ago it was disappointing that so few families turned up, we had two families turn up six staff members and family turn up and three of them didn't have children in the reconciliation classes. We did try to hold another day on the Monday for parents to join in with. Not sure why we had a small group only. We really do want to keep our bonds with the Parish and it is just one way of helping out the Parish and preparing for Reconciliation. We hope to have a better response with the Eucharist.

The Year six camp was held last week and I must say they were fantastic, the students were very supportive of each other and were beautifully behaved throughout the entire camp.

We have our Swimming Carnival on Friday 17th March. I believe a few parents are disappointed as it is the day of the Bunbury Cup, it is unfortunate but we are given a date and don't have wriggle room as all schools need a date before the interschool swimming carnival. As there are limited dates we accept the date we are given.

Due to the Interschool Swimming Carnival we have had to change our Leschenault Feast Day from Wednesday 23rd March to the last day of the term. As a staff we felt this would be a great way to finish off the term. Hopefully next year we will get our real feast day date without interruptions.

On Friday we have our Pupil Free Day so that staff can be in serviced on SEQTA. Presently we take our attendance on SEQTA and hold our pastoral notes. Like the secondary schools we wish to use connect to keep parents up to date with their child's progress. Parents will be able to see

their child's marks and know how they are progressing. Eventually homework and communication between parent and teacher and child and teacher will take place. This year is the first time it has been offered to primary schools and we have decided to take up the offer as it is used in BCC our feeder school. For parents of secondary students they will be able to tell you all the features.

Treasurer's Report

Balance as at 2nd March 2016 is \$21,323.29. This includes the Term Deposit
1st Emily Fyshe 2nd Libby Murray

Board

Dom Vener discussed all the maintenance plans for the school including the quarterly and annual items on the plan.

There will be a 'Kids Matter' page on the new school website that children will be able to access. This will have the helpline numbers.

The 2016 Strategic Plan was discussed with some of the capital priorities of

- Computers
- Leschenault signage
- Placing a fold back door between the Year 2 rooms
- Equipment for the Year 1 and year 2 playground
- Enlarge Pre-Primary by filling in the hole outside the fence and moving the fence
- Expand the Pre-Primary area to allow an eating section outside.
- Ideas to increase car parking
- New air-conditioners in Year 6
- Canteen improvements

These were some of the to-do list. However, they will need to be rated on importance and budget.

General Business

Rainbow Fun Run: Katrina Catalano and Anne Scasserra advised that they are still waiting on the final figures to come in for this event. Although the numbers were down from last year, it was still a huge success and an enjoyable event.

Some of the feedback from the event is that people prefer to come to this run as opposed to others that are held in Perth because it is less congested. Infact, Brooke Chatfield advised that the winner of lucky jars was from Perth

Business Directory: Luke Portolan has created Business Directory on the school App. Just waiting on the website to go live so as the business directory can be uploaded.

Scheduling of Dates for fundraising/fun activities for our students: This year there is not going to be too many fundraising events. Our community has suffered due to the recent fires and job losses at Worsley.

Term 1 - We have had the Rainbow fun run.

Maggie Dent event is still to come **Brooke Chatfield to action**

Term 2 – Our students love to buy gifts for Mother’s Day so we will still have the Mother’s Day stall. It will be held on Wednesday 4th May. Emily Fyshe is happy to organise but she needs help on the day to run it. So far Kristie, Julie, Taryn, Libby will help out. **Emily Fyshe to action**

Term 3 - Taryn York has come up with the idea of a raffle to win a cleaner for a year, once a fortnight for 2 hours. The P&F will pay the cost \$1500

2nd prize – Enjo Package – as put together by Brooke Chatfield

3rd prize – a one off window or carpet clean

Draw date to be confirmed – **Taryn York to action**

Father’s Day Stall: will be held on Wednesday 31st August – Emily Fyshe will need help again.

Emily Fyshe to action

Other ideas discussed:

Outdoor movie for perhaps Term 4. Our students enjoy the movie nights. If we hold an outdoor movie night we would have to send out courtesy letters to our neighbouring residents, also, there is no fencing around the school grounds. Maybe it is better to hold a movie night in the undercover area, one for juniors and one for seniors. Perhaps end of second term in June.

Jodi Elsten to action.

School Disco: Start of Term 3 – It was suggested that we approach BCC for a band to play at the disco. The P&F could donate to school for their service, or perhaps the students involved could put these hours towards their community services. Pencil in 12th August – depending on availability of the band. **Julie Blythe to action**

Some of our community have noticed that people are incorrectly using the exit road at our school as an entrance, parking in church bays and in the teacher’s bays. **Class reps to action** by passing around this message. **Kristie Keeler to action** and put notice in Church Bulletin.

Jodi Elsten suggest that the school bring in to effect a parking permit - 3 infringements then you are gone.

Katerina Catalano advised that Blair, the new activity organiser at Treendale Bunnings has offered this long weekend for our school to hold a sausage sizzle. Bunnings will supply the

drinks. All the paper work has been done previously by Helen Barrie. **Kirsten Burnie and Laura Clipperton to action**

Bunnings also offered potted plants for our Mother's Day stall. We probably won't do it this time as Emily Fyshe has everything organised. Maybe Christmas?

School website - Katrina Catalano advised that some parents are worried about the security of our children with regards to names/photos on the school website. Paula confirmed that only our students and their families can view. Families will be given security codes for photos etc. Everything else will run as a normal website.

Pia Riachi inquired as to how far the school website is coming along. Paula advised that it is well under way, but no completion time frame as yet. Waiting on the web designers Webmaster to finalise.

School ties – Pia Riachi advised that some of our parents are unhappy about a school tie being brought in as part of the winter uniform. Paula advised that this is a School Board and Uniform Committee decision. School ties will be brought in this coming Winter for Term 2 and 3

Parents want the use of the school calendar in the app...Can Luke put it on the APP?

ANZAC Parade - Anne Scasserra asked if Leschenault are participating in the ANZAC Parade this year. Paula advised that yes we are and that Bree Dudek is organising it.

It was suggested that there needs to be better communication with feeder schools and the church in regards to letting them know when we are doing fundraising events to ensure they don't cross over with other events. **Kelly Catalano will action** by printing out a BCC calendar. Kelly will also email BCC and **Kristie Keeler will action** by emailing the church to advise them for example when the Maggie Dent event is on.

LCPS official Facebook page. Brooke Chatfield asked if there is only 1 official page. Brooke has been posting on a page, LCPS Parents, that is popular with our school community. **Brooke Chatfield to action** by speaking to Luke Portolan and confirm that it is ok for her to post on this page. Paula said there is no problem at Brooke doing this as long as there is nothing negative.

Booklists – Julie Serafino-Blythe advised that parents from junior year groups were not happy with the system this year where they had to pay at front office for books and stationery. This will be discussed at a later date. The decision had previously been made to bring in this system because the orders were bought in bulk and the savings were passed back to the parents.

Meeting closed at 8.35pm

Next meeting to be held on Wednesday 6th April at 7pm

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