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Picnic Point Public School

P & C NEWSLETTER

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DIARY DATES:

- 11 December = Christmas Gift Stall
- **13 February = first P & C meeting for 2018 & Welcome BBQ.**
- Please check Canteen report for all the closures this term.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Our final meeting of the year was a lively and productive meeting. The meeting was a little late in starting as we had a small celebration of an excellent year and the hard work of our members.

Once the meeting was underway, many items were discussed including the success of our recent golf day. This was organised by Steve Hancock and was a fabulous success not only for the money raised but also for the community spirit it fostered. Many thanks to Steve for all his hard work.

Other items discussed at the meeting included Comedy for a Cause, a possible fundraiser for 2018. The P and C has also been approached by the Australian Turf Club for a possible donation of funds in 2018. The meeting discussed this offer and have decided to investigate further and check P and C and DET guidelines on sponsorship and donations. More details will follow in the new year.

As this was our last meeting for 2017, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our generous and hardworking volunteers who continue to ensure that our children enjoy an excellent and well-funded education. Picnic Point P and C is in a very healthy financial position and it is down to the work of our volunteers. Thank you to our loyal band of volunteers:

Vice Presidents – Richard Shun Wah and Steve Hancock

Secretary – Patty Tobar

Treasurer – Suzanne Mitchell

Assistant Treasurer – Sherry Brandtman

School Building Fund Manager – John Luong

Publicity Officer – Kathryn Cannon

Web Officer – Yvette Bell

Safety Officer – Mark Stokes

Canteen Committee – Kylie Bayley, Yvette Bell, Melissa Snook, Nerida Ayres, Heather Avery, Sherry Brandtman, Ev Tsoukalas, Tim Hickey

Uniform Committee – Yvette Bell, Lisa Sommer, Sherry Brandman, Kathryn Cannon

Fundraising Committee – Alison Walsh, Lenneke Lucas

Thank you and all the very best for the festive season.

Tim Kay

President

CANTEEN

During the last week of school for 2017, the Canteen is only open on Monday and Wednesday. The canteen will re-open on Wednesday, 31st January 2018.

Closures

- Tuesday 12 December (Presentation Day)
- Thursday 14 December (Picnic Day)
- Friday 15 December (last day of term and stocktake)
- Tuesday 30 January 2018 (first day of term 1)
- Wednesday 14 February 2018 (Swimming carnival)

From December we will be running down our stock. Check the P & C facebook page for the latest on stock availability.

Our first event for 2018 will be the free Welcome BBQ on Tuesday, 13th February at 5.30pm. A note will go home early in term 1 with all relevant information.

Volunteers

Thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers for helping fill our roster this year. If you know of any new kindy parents please encourage them to come join us next year. A volunteers form is at the end of the newsletter.

BAND

Welcome to our new recruits. Last week, a record 24 year 2 students started in our training band. They had a lesson on Friday, and got to take their instruments home to make some noise!

We bid farewell to 13 of our year 6 musicians. Thank you for all your hard work in representing our school in band competitions and entertaining us during assemblies and when we have special events. You have learnt a valuable skill to take with you. We encourage you to continue your music education in high school and join a band if you can. All the best in high school.



What a great party we had on Monday. I heard one band member say they will continue band just for the party at the end. Whatever your reasons people, keep coming to band. The band played well and the food was great. Boy, your kids can eat!

Congratulations in advance for the kids who will be receiving an award on presentation day next week. I would be grateful if someone would publish results on Facebook as we are away.

I have four weeks left in my role as Band Convenor. Until then, please consider taking up a position in the band committee and help us organise and fundraise for our fantastic band.

As we farewell another year and bring in the New Year, enjoy your summer holidays everyone and keep safe. Keep practising your music kids, and enjoy it.

Kylie Quach (On behalf of the band committee)

UNIFORM SHOP

(Open Thursdays, 8.30 – 9.30am in E Block, next to the Library)

Our first open day for 2018 will be Thursday, 1st February.

If you'd like to join us in the Uniform Shop in 2018, please contact Yvette Bell on 0415 145 546

Don't forget you can order new items online from both Lowes and Claudine's Schoolwear during the school holiday period.

Lowes: <http://www.lowes.com.au/CampusCategories.aspx?depid=403>

Claudine's: <https://onlineshop.claudineschoolwear.com.au/picnictps>

Merry Christmas from our volunteer team.

SCHOOL BANKING

Well, another year of school banking has come to an end. Thank you to all the student bankers for their continued support each week.

All ordered rewards have arrived and will be coming home either by Monday. After this time, if you are still waiting on one, please get in contact with me and I'll look into it. Kathryn Cannon 0419 462 204

The first school banking day for 2018 will be Tuesday, 6th February, so keep those wallets and tokens safe over the holidays. A new set of rewards will be launched next year. More information will be available and sent home at the start of Term 1.

A huge thank you to Lyn Larkin for six years of School Banking volunteer work with me. We were a great little team but Lyn's youngest starts high school next year and is therefore moving on. THANK YOU!

Merry Christmas to all. Enjoy the holiday break.

FUNDRAISING

A big Thank You to Steve Hancock for organising last weeks Golf Day at Bankstown Golf Club. 23 Players attended and together raised \$2137. Thanks to the 11 businesses who sponsored the event. If you missed out this year don't worry, Steve has already started planning for next years!



On Monday 11th December we will be holding our Christmas Stall. Gifts are \$5 each and there is something for everyone - parents, siblings, friends, anyone! There is no limit to the amount of gifts that can be purchased. Gifts will also be available for purchase on Wednesday 13th December from the canteen if you miss out on the Monday! Remember to bring a plastic bag to carry gifts home in.

Thankyou to everyone for their support with our fundraising events this year. We have lots of exciting events planned for next year!

Finally, a huge Thank You to the fundraising team for all their efforts this year.

Picnic Point Public School Volunteers needed

Dear Parents, Grandparents and Guardians,

We have a number of gaps in our volunteer roster (especially Wednesday to Friday) and are desperately seeking more people to help keep our Canteen and Uniform Shop open.

Did you know the following?

- 1) Our School Canteen is P & C run and is staffed with wonderful members of our school community volunteering as little as one day per term or as much as once a month.
- 2) The School Canteen is the biggest fundraising avenue for the P & C. We are able to assist the school in purchasing much needed resources and funding upgrades around the school.
- 3) The kids love seeing a family member in the canteen – it usually means a lunch order day for most.
- 4) Volunteering doesn't require any previous experience.
- 5) Volunteering is a great way to meet other members of the school community.

Are you new to the school? Or maybe have been here for a while but weren't sure of how to get involved and help make a difference?

If you are interested in volunteering in either the canteen or the uniform shop, it is as simple as completing the following form and handing it back to the school office.

Our roster clerk will then roster you on for training. It is as simple as that.

We would love for you to join our team.

Kind Regards

The Canteen and Uniform Sub-Committees
Picnic Point Public School P & C

* 2018 Volunteers Form *

If you would like to volunteer to help in the canteen or uniform shop, please complete this form and return it to the school office. All rosters are emailed to volunteers. Thank you for volunteering.

Name: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Email: _____

CANTEEN

I am available to volunteer for:

- Monday – 12.30pm - 1.30pm (no cooking)
- Tuesday – 12.30pm - 1.30pm (no cooking)
- Wednesday – full day: 8.45am - 1.30pm
- Thursday – full day: 8.45am - 1.30pm
- Thursday – half: 11.30am - 1.30pm
- Friday – full day: 8.45am - 1.30pm
- Friday – half: 11:30am - 1:30pm

I am available:

- Once a week
- Once a month
- Once a term
- Other _____

I would like to volunteer with my friend _____

I am available to go on an emergency call list (hopefully being given 24-48 hours notice)

I am interested in joining the Canteen Committee

UNIFORM SHOP

Yes, I would like to help in the uniform shop, Thursdays 8.25am to 9.40am.

I am available:

- Once a month
- Once a term
- Other _____