



Mascot Public School P&C Association

Purpose:	Monthly General Meeting
Date:	Monday 28 March 2022
Time:	7:30pm – 8:30pm
Location:	Mascot Public School, 207 King St Mascot
Minutes	
Opening:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting called to order at 7.34pm Attendees: Brad Gilcrest, Kerren Hosking (Chair), Beth Hill, Lauren Mishhawi, Jessica Welch, Helen Te Rata, Bec Kelly Apologies: None No conflict of interest declarations Following the AGM a position of Vice President remains vacant. No nominations received.
Minutes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes from the last meeting were accepted as a true reflection of the meeting.
Business Arising:	<p>1. Colour Fun Run Event scheduled for 8 April. Jessica W confirmed arrangements are underway for students from JJ Cahill to volunteer at the run (around 20 students accompanied by 2 teachers). Shaun Ninyo has been the school coordinator and done a fantastic job keeping staff and students engaged. Nearly 200 students are actively fundraising. A BBQ will be provided by the P&C on the day for all students. Families will be asked to send in a gold coin donation and it was agreed funds raised will be donated to Vouch for Lismore to help the flood affected school community. Actions: Kerren to order meat from Vatan, Lara to approach Bakers Delight re supplying bread. Jessica to bring in BBQ trays. Kerren to check supplies of drinks, serviettes and sauces and order more if required. Kerren to coordinate parent volunteer list. Shaun to manage course design and set up, and teacher involvement. Jessica to coordinate JJ Cahill student volunteers.</p> <p>2. Centenary Celebrations Update – update from working group The first centenary event – the 100 year assembly on Harmony Day – was well attended by parents and local members, including Ron Hoenig MP, Matt Thistlethwaite MP, Mayor Christina Curry and Councillor Jo Jansyn. Video and slideshows from the day are on the school website and have been shared on social media. The next working group meeting is scheduled virtually for Wednesday 6 April at 7pm.</p> <p>3. Calendar of school events & planned activities for Term 1 and Term 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ANZAC day assembly: this will no longer be a whole-of-school community due to increasing covid risk but there will be activities in each class/cohort to mark the occasion. Easter hat parade: no Easter Hat parade will take place this year

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mothers Day stall: it was agreed to hold a Mothers Day Stall on Thursday 5 May. Lauren Mishhawi volunteered to run this, and Jessica will brief her on supplier and logistic arrangements. <p>4. Community Grant Funding Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Building Fund 2021 Grant: we have signed the funding deed and are awaiting the deposit of grant funds. • Grant opportunities: Brad advised Margaret Malone has identified four potential grants and it was agreed to review these out of session. <p>5. Uniform shop – feedback and updates</p> <p>Winter uniform ordering is open. Centenary commemorative caps are now available to purchase from the uniform shop as well. The initial order is 100 and if there is sufficient interest from the school and broader community these can be reordered. Discussed the option of opening the website for second-hand uniforms but it was instead agreed to organise open afternoons at the school by stage for families who would like to purchase second hand uniforms. Action: Brad Gilchrest to organise open sessions.</p> <p>6. Botany Bites – feedback and update</p> <p>Proposed to schedule a working bee to clean out the canteen so it can be used by school staff to distribute lunch bags to classes on lunch order delivery days. A date to do this needs to be organised, and some of the work may be able to be done while we have parent volunteers on site for the colour fun run. Action: Kerren to follow up with Helen re finding a date.</p> <p>7. Agreed expenditure</p> <p>The following proposed expenditure was tabled for approval at the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Centenary gift for Helen Te Rata: moved by JW, seconded by BG - Colour fun run incentive prizes amounting to \$500: moved by JW, seconded by KH - Costs for school BBQ 8 April amounting to \$500: moved by JW, seconded by KH.
Correspondence:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No correspondence noted
Reports:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treasurer’s report <p>Jessica Welch presented the Treasurer’s Report, noting incomings in February from the uniform shop, and outgoings on insurance, uniform supplies and wages.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal’s report <p>Helen Te Rata presented the Principal’s Report, noting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Formal thank you to the P&C for the centenary gift - Congratulations to Cherie Hamilton on her recent wedding - Growth in enrolments since the beginning of 2021 from 413 to 468 as borders have reopened. - Appointment of Rachel Dosselter as a grad teacher for 5/6P replacing Gemma Pal who is going on maternity leave. - COVID-19 continues to make things unpredictable and advice is changing all the time. In the interests of protecting staff, students and the school community staggered pickups will continue, visitors on staff will need to wear masks and sign in using the QR code, and students will remain in cohorts as much as possible. - An evacuation drill has been held with all students and staff.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A plumber will be on site during the holidays to investigate the issues with the excessive use of water on site/higher than expected water costs. - Resurfacing of the basketball court and paved areas will take place during the holidays. - The work the artist-in-residence is undertaking with cohorts is producing remarkable and beautiful artworks leading up to the Term 4 art show. - No works to expand the school are expected for the foreseeable future given changes in NSW budget priorities. - Staff from other schools are attending the school to observe faculty staff and learn from them, reflecting the exceptional quality of teaching staff and the standards they are setting for other schools.
<p>General Business:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open discussion <p>Eyesight screening for students was raised as a potential issue post the increase in screen time/home learning. Kindergarten children who may have missed the preschool age eyesight screen were recently able to access another screening test via the school. It was raised screening tests are usually free of charge at local optometrists and there may be an option to raise awareness of this for local families in collaboration with local providers.</p>
<p>Closing:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next meeting confirmed as Monday 9 May 2022 • Meeting closed at 9.00pm