

Lugarno Public School P & C Association Newsletter: 7th Dec 2021, Week 10 Term 4

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT...

I was my pleasure to attend last Friday the 2021 Banks Volunteer of the Year Award presentation and watch our very own Maria Wainwright be presented with a finalist award. Congratulations Maria, so very well deserved. I am also excited to watch Lousie Cuthbert, Michelle Ametson and Jo Galea be presented with their individual volunteer awards this Friday in the 2021 St George Community Awards. We are lucky to have so many fantastic volunteers at our school.

We are still in need of a Treasurer as part of the P & C Executive Team. If you have some accounting/book keeping experience we would love to hear from you. Our Assistant Treasurer is able to assist and show you the ropes. Any questions please contact Kirsty McDonnell (see details on the right).

Please join us for our last P & C meeting for 2021 next Wednesday 15th Dec at 7pm via zoom only. Meetings will resume in person in the library from next year (with zoom still available as an option). Meeting ID: 64476591565 Passcode: 447827

Check out a copy of my report from the AGM below to see what great things the P & C did this year. Coming up next year we have our Senior's festival event; Colour Run; and parent social night (trivia night at Penshurst RSL). Have a great Christmas.

Regards, Mel Porter. Next meeting: 15th Dec 2021, 7pm via zoom

Doing it for the kids

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<u>Year 6 Fundraiser</u>

<u>Pop It</u>

There are still some Pop It's available to help Year 6 with their final fundraiser. Order via Qkr! - \$4 each.



SUB-COMMITTEE NEWS

FUNDRAISING NEWS

Personalised Sports Ball, Bags and Drink Bottles

Need last minute Christmas gifts? Then purchase an item in our new fundraiser for personalized sports balls, bags and drink bottles. There are soccer balls, netballs, basketballs, rugby league balls; cricket balls; and volleyballs; all in different sizes and colours. Sports bags and drink bottles are also available. Products are delivered straight to your door within a few days and the P & C will receive 20% commission on sales to enable us to provide more great things for the students of LPS. Feel free to share the link with friends. Check out all the products and pricing via this link: <u>https://npaevents.com.au/collections/lugarno-public-school-</u> <u>fundraiser?sca_ref=1162725.gA6zwbRDUJ</u>

Or scan the QR Code:



UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Janette Allardyce-Walker

The uniform shop is currently closed due to COVID-19. Uniform Shop orders can be placed online via Qkr! and will be distributed via classrooms. If you have any questions, or are interested in second-hand uniforms, please send an email to uniformshop@lugarnopandc.org.au and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

CANTEEN NEWS

Janette Allardyce-Walker

The canteen is back open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for online lunch orders only. <u>If you can help out in the canteen this Wednesday from</u> <u>11am</u>, please contact our Canteen Manager Sharon Steed, on 0430 290 077. All volunteers will need to show proof of vaccination and adhere to Covid Safe Plans.



Finalist - Banks Volunteer of the Year Award - Maria Wainwright





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President's Report

17 November 2021

WELCOME

Good evening and welcome to our AGM for 2021. Thank you all for your joining us via zoom and to Justine for your time this evening.

YEAR IN REVIEW

Well, what another challenging year it has been. It has been my pleasure to serve another year as President of our P & C. Despite the challenges with Covid-19, as a school community we have still done great things.

Fundraising:

We managed to still undertake a number of fundraising activities and events: Entertainment Book; My Name Label; create a plate/calendar (adding in additional product options this year); Paver Wall; Easter Paint Your Own Cookie; kites; and personalised sports balls and equipment. We also just got in our disco (before lockdown) which was well attended. A big shout out to the Prisuda family for again setting us up with amazing lighting. Unfortunately, our trivia night (parent night) had to be cancelled (again) as did our Colour Run, fingers crossed we can look to do these next year. Thank you to the fundraising team: Louise, Janine, Laura and Donna.

Non-fundraising events:

Easter saw the Easter Bunny visit the K - 2 classrooms and deliver easter eggs (provided by the P & C) to all students.

We were still able to facilitate a Mother's Day gift stall and breakfast which was great. Unfortunately, we were unable to hold our annual Father's Day gift stall and breakfast this year. Instead, the P & C funded a free art zoom session lead by Andronika from 'That Art Place'.

During lockdown a recycling Kahoot was also arranged for families to learn more about what can and can't be recycled and a screening and Q & A of the movie 2040. Thank you to Jasmine Theophile for organising this.

In recognition of School Administrative and Support Staff Recognition Week and World Teachers Day, engraved pens in a small pouch were arranged as a small gift for all staff from the P & C.

The P & C continued to fund the cost of the Principal's morning tea which students always excited to attend.

Recognition of our Volunteers:

Last year I submitted a nomination for Janette Allardyce-Walker in the NSW P & C Federation Volunteer of the Year Award. Janette was recognised as a finalist at the awards ceremony in February this year. A fantastic achievement for Janette. Thank you Janette for all your hard work.

Our P & C was nominated for the NSW Centre of Volunteering 'Team' award. Whilst we did not win the category, still a great recognition of the great work of our P & C. Thank you Justine for this nomination.

I have submitted 3 nominations for the 2021 St George Community Awards in the individual volunteer category. Best of luck to these nominees.

I was also invited by David Coleman to submit one nomination for the Banks Volunteer of the Year Award. Fingers crossed for our nomination for this award.

Canteen

Thank you to our Canteen Manager Sharon Steed, and our Canteen sub-committee Convenor Janette, and of course all our fabulous volunteers for enabling our canteen to run (despite having to be closed for a lengthy period of time). A number of 'special order days' were also able to be organised (Easter and Athletics carnival) which the students always enjoy.

Uniform shop

A big thank you to Janette and her small, dedicated team of volunteers for operating the uniform shop this year, including continuing to provide an online service whilst parents are not allowed on school grounds.

<u>Grants</u>

The P & C has also been very active in applying for grants this year:

- Seniors festival successful for \$1,000
- Seeding Bank Grant (PlanetArk) successful for \$250
- Volunteers grant (Federal Government) have been nominated by David Coleman for \$2,700 (awaiting final approval)
- Federal Government Stronger Communities Grant for air conditioning in the hall unsuccessful
- Clubs NSW Grant (Penshurst RSL) in kind grant for waiver of room hire and bar staff for trivia night (postponed hopefully can occur next year)

- Community partnership grant (State Government) for air conditioning for the hall air successful for \$14,000
- Stronger Communities Programme hoping to submit an application for this grant shortly.

Recycling/Return and Earn

We have continued to have regular collections of our two blue bins. Thank you to Kirsty for facilitating this great initiative.

Building Fund

Contributions have continued to be received for the Building Fund which now sits at \$2084.

Projects:

This year finally saw the removal of the old play equipment and the installation of our new nature play space. This was only made possible by the combination of P & C (\$47,000), School and State Government funds. A big thank you to Justine for co-ordinating all the work for the project to come to fruition. Thank you to Janine Ferris for writing and submitting an article to the NSW P & C Federation regarding this project. Hoping we will see this article published in the Term 1, 2022 edition.

New 'push' style taps were installed in all the student toilets as a result of a previous grant awarded to the P & C. The second part of this grant is the decoration of the toilet doors with inspirational/uplifting pictures/quotes which will now take place next year due to Covid.

I would like to thank the Executive Team (Jasmine, Phil, Kirsty, Leanne, Maria and Venus) for all their support. Here's to a great 2022 for our P & C and LPS!

Regards,

Melissa.

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