

Churchlands P&C President's Report – 15. June 2020 for the School Board

Our annual calendar of fundraising activities was put on hold in March due to COVID-19. Activities will be reinstated to the calendar for Term 3 and Term 4 where it is possible to hold the activities in a way that meets any remaining COVID-19 social distancing requirements. Fundraising was put on hold as a priority over COVID-19 as it was felt families were grappling with enough demands from social distancing, lock-down, home schooling and economic stresses from COVID-19 shutdowns.

In the meantime, the P&C Executive has focused on implementing initiatives that build a sense of community within the school community and optimising the communication between the P&C Committee, Class Reps and School Families through virtual Zoom meetings and sharing behind the scenes information about P&C activities to make families feel more involved.

The major initiative for Term 2 was the COVID-19 Thank You Initiative which implemented a number of suggestions from the school community including the Buy A Teacher A Coffee project which raised donated funds of \$2677.50. This was used to buy discounted coffee vouchers from Reverie Cafe to distribute to all staff at the school, a Nespresso Coffee Machine and coffee together with T2 tea supplies for the school staff room, hold a morning tea for the school staff this morning to present the vouchers and coffee machine and contribute remaining funds to help purchase a sofa and coffee table for the staff room. We thank Reverie Cafe for their sponsorship in the form of \$3 coffees instead of \$4.50 coffees. Canteen Staff did a wonderful job catering for the morning tea. Class reps also were asked to arrange their students to prepare thank you cards or videos to present to class teachers this morning as an additional surprise.

Another COVID-19 initiative was to provide Small Business Owners in the Churchlands School Community an opportunity to promote their business to the community via a special edition newsletter. Ten businesses have submitted their information and have been very thankful for the opportunity. The special edition newsletter will be published next week and arrangements have been made with the Principal and Luke Johnson to publish this information on the school website under the P&C section.

The focus for Term 3 and 4 will include celebrating the 55th Anniversary of the school and using this as a theme for fundraising. We are organising a sub-committee to work on a series of fundraising initiatives. Our first initiative will be Buy A Brick which will enable families to buy a paving brick with their name on it to immortalise their family and children's attendance at the school. A second project is a Plant A Tree or Shrub initiative to tie in with the 55th Anniversary. The Principal has been engaged to look at opportunities to plant 5 trees and 50 shrubs on the school grounds and enquiries are being made to source the plants as donations starting with City of Stirling and then commercial suppliers.

Future activities will include a modified form of Lapathon which will be broken into junior, middle and senior school events to meet social distancing requirements. Dates are yet to be confirmed.

Kind Regards,

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