



CREANEY PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello to everyone and welcome to the 2017 school year! I do hope that you all had wonderful school holidays and managed to have some fantastic quality time with your gorgeous children.

Please remember that when driving around the school, within the school drop-off and pick-up times, you must observe the 40km/hour speed limit set to keep all of children safe. Please do not use the staff carparks as pick-up or drop-off points, unless you are authorised by Creaney staff to do so.

I am looking forward to 2017 being a highly successful year for the Creaney P&C Association, as we are hoping to help Creaney Primary School purchase all their wonderful 'wish list' items. Best of all – we get to have a lot of fun along the way!

My commitment to you is that 2017 will show great improvements in the area of communication regarding all upcoming events. To do this, we need your help. Please see the attached documents to find out more about being in a P&C, and make sure you put our next P&C meeting date into your calendar. They are always held on Wednesday nights in Week 3 and Week 7 of each term, making it nice and easy to remember. I hope to see you there!

Pamela Jones
P&C President 2016



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To keep up to date and receive the latest P&C news, firstly "Like" our page, then click on "Following" and select "See First". You will now receive any Facebook updates at the top of your newsfeed.

P&C AT A GLANCE

FEBRUARY

7 FEBRUARY
FOOTY TIPPING KICK OFF

14 FEBRUARY
VALENTINES DAY RAFFLE

15 FEBRUARY
P&C MEETING



WHAT IS A PARENTS & CITIZENS (P&C) ASSOCIATION?

The P&C provides you with the opportunity to be informed and contribute to educational matters relating to the school including fundraising, canteen, special projects and more.

The P&C of Creaney Primary School consists of the following sub committees:

Canteen

The canteen can only operate effectively with the assistance of volunteers. If you have one day a month or one day a term or even a few hours here and there, your assistance would be very much appreciated. If you are interested in helping, please email pccreaney@gmail.com.

FUNdraising Committee

A very important element of the P&C is fundraising. Whilst the school is allocated money from the government, it is generally allocated to specific learning / maintenance areas. Therefore the school needs supplementary funding to provide the children with up to date resources, play equipment, special events, and other items not covered by government funding.

If you have any special skills, resources or ideas we would love to hear from you. Ultimately it is our children who benefit - so why not get involved, have some fun and meet some new people!

P&C Membership

In order to become a member of the P&C with full voting rights, parents, carers, citizens and teachers must pay the nominated membership fee. The annual fee for Creaney Primary School is \$1.00. All financial members have the right to stand for office, move motions and vote.

The reason for having a membership fee is to prevent non-financial members from only attending meetings when important or highly controversial issues are being discussed. This can be seen as unfairly stacking the result by single issue one night members.

Who can join the P&C?

- All parents and carers with children at the school, as well as citizens living within the school's boundaries are eligible to be members of the P&C
- Teachers and the Principal from the school, and members of the school staff

When can I join?

You can join the P&C at any time during the year but it is best to join at the AGM so you can be present for the voting in of the new office members, and be presented with the goals for the next year.

Creaney Primary's P&C AGM for 2017 will be on the 15th February 2017. We hope to see you there!

How much time will I have to give?

You can choose which events you help organise or volunteer based on your schedule. We would prefer to have you at the meetings (twice per term) so we can vote in and discuss any changes or ideas.

For more information email us at pccreaney@gmail.com or via our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/creaneypandc.



THE ROLES WITHIN A P&C ASSOCIATION

President

- provides leadership
- chairs all general and executive committee meetings of the association.
- acts as a spokesperson for the association
- supervises the functions of other office bearers
- ensures adequate and efficient communication exists between the members of the association and the members of the school board
- encouraging parents to participate.
- this role requires approximately 1-3 hours per week

Vice President

- Steps into the role of the President should they be unavailable and undertakes tasks to reduce the workload of the President.
- be familiar with the operation of the P&C
- be acquainted with the duties of President
- understand meeting rules and procedure
- this role requires approximately 1 hour per week

Secretary

- draws up, in consultation with President, the meeting agendas
- keeps full and correct Minutes of the P&C's proceedings
- acts upon decisions as directed by the meeting
- attends to the correspondence of the association, including collection and distribution of mail
- looks after the association's documents
- maintains a register of financial and ex-officio members if applicable.
- this role requires approximately 1-2 hours per week

Treasurer

- responsible for all funds received and expended by the association
- prepares regular reports to P&C meetings
- holds ultimate responsibility for all funds, including all subcommittee accounts.
- maintains database of transactions within the P&C
- this role requires approximately 1-3 hours per week

Committee Members

- support and coordinate events to fundraise and build community within our school
- report directly to their sub-committee leader on progress
- this role requires approximately 0.5 hours per week, with some weeks having no work and others requiring a burst of time close to important events

As you can see, each role within the P&C has variable degrees of involvement. If you are unable to join the P&C within an executive role, you are still able to join and help us on all or some of our upcoming events. We do not ask for a large time commitment, but simply request a couple of hours per term.