

Otford P&C Agenda #8 2021

Date:	Tue 26th October
Time:	7.30pm - 8.30pm
Location:	Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/81868603288 Join Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81868603288... Meeting ID: 818 6860 3288 Passcode: 392273
Attendees:	Dallas Baird (President) Sophie Cresswell (Vice President) Rebecca Stone (School Principal) Eleanor Bell (Treasurer) Sarah Deitz (Secretary)
Apologies:	Kingsley Reeves Alexis Pillsbury Brett Giddings (Vice President)

Agenda

Item
1. 7.38pm meeting opened & acknowledgement of country.
2. Treasurer's report No changes since last time. We should have received a cheque from Wollongong council for the seed grant, need to check the P&C mail.
3. Principals report Roadworks We have received notification of roadworks to be carried out during the summer holidays which will involve removing the trees. The works should help mitigate the movement of the

school building and water drain-off. **We will need to choose new trees.**

Enrolments

We are down to 44 students for next year. Originally we had 5 kindies starting, but 1 has dropped out and Mara will be leaving us. We will have no where near the numbers to have 3 classes (need 52), so there will likely be 2 classes, K-2 & 3-6.

We are hoping to pool various pots of money to fund additional teaching for 3 days a week so that we can have a Stage 2 & Stage 3 class on these days.

We have saved money during lockdown on things like utilities, long service leave, sick leave etc. that we can hopefully roll into next year, and the COVID support money has been extended into next year.

We get the small schools supplement if we have 51 students.

We will likely lose days in the office which will be a really big change, but we've done it before.

P&C could look at fundraising to finance wages for these extra teaching days, works out around \$23k for 1 extra day of teaching.

COVID cases

COVID cases are increasing in schools, so there may be issues where some classes may need to go into isolation. There's about 6 schools a day that have gone into deep cleaning. Hygiene & face masks are important.

This term

A few of the kids that we were worried about being anxious or nervous coming back onsite have rocked it.

This term will focus on literacy and numeracy, but we have flexibility of what we can do in the afternoons. We've been doing afternoon groups with a theme e.g. Tech Tuesday, and these have been going really well.

YR6 farewell, trying to come up with something else, allowing from 1st December farewell assemblies, we'll have it outside with a covid safe plan.

Orientation

We will know after 1st December whether we can have orientation onsite, parents still not allowed on site. School readiness can be done at home.

Addendum - info on orientation has now been sent.

School assessments, PAT online will be done over the next 2 or 3 weeks.

4. Bus schedule / before & after school care

- Lucinda has been working on the bus/walking schedule for Term 4

- Every parent that has a kid on the bus is doing one of the walking buses but short on Wed & Thu. Seniors may be able to help out on the other days.

6. Enrolments / Out of area

- Lucinda put an ad up on HHelp
- Everyone to share the online enrolment link, Sarah will add to our facebook group and ask others to share.
- Cut off is mid Feb to determine our numbers.
- Dallas to look into getting an article in 2508 promoting the school

7. P&C info for new starters

- Dallas to write paragraph or two about the P&C for the school booklet.

8. Grants

Connecting neighbours grant - (SC)

We got \$300 to host a seed swap (or something) event.
Roll over to next year.

Solar system repair update

Bec has identified other grants to fund the solar system repair.

- The system we have is really old, looking to get updated to a more recent one.
- No progress due to restrictions

Tech update from rural schools grant

- Work is complete, we have new smart boards, cameras etc. :)

9. Fundraising updates

Term 4 fundraising events:

- Bunnings sausage sizzle on 4th December. We will need volunteers on the day split into a few shifts.
- Decided against selling Gingerbread house kits as there's not enough margin.
- Sophie looking into Otford themed tea towels by a local designer, not specifically the school so will have a wider market.
- Camel art pushed to next year.
- Coastal Classic, 2,000 run through to Bundeena is also happening on Dec 4th. We get ~ \$200 donation to the school for them using our facilities. We decided not to do a pre-race coffee / foodstall this year as it's a lot of effort for not much return. Sarah will flag with Rosie from The Morning Brew to see if she is interested in doing it and if so whether she could have a gold coin donation for the school.
- Sarah will also be setting up some Terracycle recycling programs at the school. This won't raise much money, but will align with the schools drive towards sustainability.

Movie night(s)

- Dallas has looked into this and it would be ~ \$200- \$300 to hire the equipment for the tennis courts, inflatable screen, sound gear etc. On top of this would be beverage, sausage sizzle supplies etc. Thinking of end of Term 1, start of Term 2 from 7.30 - 9pm.

10. Next meeting, 23rd November via zoom.

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