

P&C Report 2017:

It's been a busy year for the P&C, and a rewarding year. We hope you can see from our actions below that we've been working to make James Sheahan an even better place for our kids to learn and grow. Remember that all parents and carers are automatically members of the P&C, there is no joining process. Please come along to any or all of our meetings – we'd love to see you there!

P&C meetings are held twice a term, generally in week 3 and week 7. Our AGM is held at our final meeting of the year, in week 7 of term 4.

The James Sheahan P&C (Parents & Carers) engages in a range of activities that endeavor to promote a sense of overall community within JSCHS. To that end, the P&C has reduced its focus on fundraising by introducing the Voluntary Contribution, and increased direct communication with the school and its teachers and students.

The committee during 2017 consisted of Tom Capell (President), Sandi McAtamney (Vice President), Mary Taylor (Secretary), Neal Livermore (Treasurer) and Stew Vidler (Publicity Officer).

Actions for 2017

P&C Accounts audited for 2016

Ongoing discussions with RMS, Council and bus lines re a crossing on Anson Street

Planting of garden beds in April around the Performing Arts Centre

Contribution of \$500 to the plants for the PAC garden beds

Dr Justin Coulson talk in May, provided wine and cheese - 87 parents attended

Successful implementation of voluntary contribution

Wellbeing talk by Mrs Whiteley at P&C meeting in August 2017

Attended Parent Conference in Sydney September 2017

Promotion of wellbeing surveys of students in 2018

Planting of garden beds along new fence near student car park in October

Teacher thank you morning tea in December

Projects funded 2017:

Teacher grants (x 5) total \$2,500

Rite Journey teacher training \$11,510

Assisted SRC with water bottle refill station for students \$1,975

Athletics and netball school representative uniforms \$2,350

Duke of Ed equipment bank \$2,000

We used our induction process for new P&C Committee members, continued to update the P&C section of the school website including adding minutes of meetings, updated the P&C strategic plan, and also continued to work closely with the school on wellbeing issues & funding for wellbeing programmes.

We anticipate another busy year for 2018, and want to thank parents for being enthusiastic in their support of the Voluntary Contribution, which will make a big difference around the school in 2018 and beyond. We aim to bring great speakers to the school for parents and/or students, and work on a 'project list' for improved amenities (such as additional seating for students around the school grounds) by liaising with teachers, students and parents.

If you have any ideas for P&C involvement around the school, email us at sheahanpandc@gmail.com. We'd love to hear from you! Or come along to our meetings, on the Wednesday of week 3 and week 7 each term, at 6pm in the Bistro Room at Kellys Hotel.