

DRUMMOYNE PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION

2023 ANNUAL REPORT



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President's Report Drummoyne Public School P&C Association AGM March 2024

Although taking on the President role was not actually my idea - I got through it, thanks to the friendly, super cool and energetic P&C members and volunteers. So I'd firstly like to thank Dee, Emelie, Kendal, Tim, Tania, Belle, Sahar and Elyse for the constant comms and support since March 2023.

The last 12 months has been somewhat of a rollercoaster for the P&C (albeit a fun one) consisting of 3 different Principals, two election BBQs, a calendar full of social events, and a team that worked tirelessly over 12 months on such events and special projects - culminating in almost \$200,000 worth of equipment and resources donated to the school, including interactive whiteboards, decodable readers, 32 laptops and charging stations, canteen signs and flagpoles that Kendal will talk to in his Treasurer's report.

My focus has been on trying to make the working P&C group an accessible, inclusive group that everyone in the school feels like they can approach, and one they are happy to come along and support. We've tried to do this through newsletter and Whatsapp call outs, the canteen volunteer whatsapp group, a rolling volunteer spreadsheet - and last but not least, ensuring wine features at all meetings!

I think this P&C has done a fantastic job of bringing the DPS and local community together, and striking a balance between raising funds and enjoying ourselves. If we can keep this balanced approach I think it will be great for being able to donate to the school AND give families the chance to build relationships and memories.

This P&C has achieved so much in recent years, and in the last 12 months has funded new technologies and equipment that gives our kids the very best opportunities to learn and play, and this is an ongoing task for the P&C ahead.

The core P&C executives have been well supported by a wider team of trusted parent allies; people who show up with a smile on their face every single time there's an opportunity to help, and this has been invaluable for the P&C. So I'd like to take this opportunity to shout out to everyone who volunteered this past year:

- Class Parents
- Uniform Shop
- Canteen Shifts
- Uniform Second Hand Sales
- Mothers Day Stall
- Fathers Day Stall
- The Fete
- Grandfriends Morning Tea
- Tea And Tissues
- Welcome Champagne Night
- Trivia Night
- Kids Disco
- Easter Raffle
- Xmas Raffle
- Election and Referendum BBQs

Almost all of these events were led by Tania and Belle - congratulations to you both, you've transformed the P&C storeroom, streamlined the mother's and father's day ordering process, and laid a great foundation for how future events can be run.

Thank you to Dee and Wade for identifying that our canteen ordering platform could be better, then assessing, testing and implementing FlexiSchools. This project was run so well, thank you for doing it - we know that all parents will benefit from your hard work.

Thank you to Sahar, who spent several weeks late last year representing the P&C on the principal selection panel, which resulted in a fantastic outcome!

Thank you to Belinda Hubbal who has designed signage and communications for several school initiatives this year, including the fete and our very fun canteen signage.

We look forward to working alongside Principal John Ngyuen as he settles into Drummoyne and gets a sense of the projects that will make a great difference to our school. This is already happening, with our recent decision to fund the STEAM enrichment program for every child at the school - which we believe will help the school kick this program off, and gives our kids exposure to STEAM that's above and beyond what most primary school kids get to experience. We look forward to drawing on John's previous school experience for new events and fundraising ideas, and ways to build P&C numbers.

I commend the P&C for being more aware of teachers' needs, and considering them in the overall picture to support them where we can, including the World teacher's Day morning tea and end of year pilates session.

The P&C have been spoiled with support from the school admin team. They are not obliged to help P&C, but they really go above and beyond with printing, organising, sending alerts, reminding us when we are about to drop the ball, and holding the precious keys we always need!

Looking ahead, I look forward to meeting many new faces in P&C, because many hands make light work. I hope for less rollercoasters, but the same good vibes, and working as a team towards a common goal: to make DPS better and better for kids, parents and teachers.

Angela Farrell

President

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<u>Treasurer's Report</u> Drummoyne Public School P&C Association AGM March 2024

DPS P&C started the 2023 financial year in a super strong position coming off the back of a great 2022 performance, buoyed by the return of the fete (temporarily called "Carnival") in that year.

In 2023, our numerous events and sponsorship, combined with contributions from Monty's Munch (aka the Canteen) and the Uniform Shop, generated a gross profit before donations of \$68,739 which was an excellent result.

This is particularly so given the changing economic climate over the past 12-18 months and the 2023 P&C were conscious of keeping Canteen and Uniform Shop pricing similar to previous years and to manage event ticket prices to encourage our community to be involved and to benefit from the fantastic social events in our calendar.

Special thanks for the 2023 financial performance must go to our Canteen staff Eugenie and Katherine – under the watchful eye of Dee, our Uniform Shop team led by Emelie, Nadda and Aviva – with much assistance from many other volunteers, and of course to our superstar Events Leaders Tania and Belle - still joined at the hip!

Thanks also to all our other P&C contributors, volunteer mums and dads, grandparents and friends and to the school administration and teaching staff who have all assisted greatly throughout the year. Please keep it up, we cannot do it without you all.

All of your efforts enabled us to donate \$192,817 to the school in the 2023 financial year for a range of improvements and resources as outlined by Ang in her President's Report. During the course of 2023 we also committed to fund the new electronic notice board to the tune of approximately \$28k, although due to a few delays getting the approval through Council, it was finally delivered and our contribution to that will fall into the 2024 FY.

As set out in the attached Financial Report (independently audited by accountants Benbow and Pike base on fantastic assistance from our Bookkeeper Julie), due to our significant donations, we posted a loss for the FY of \$124,078. Notwithstanding, we finished the year with total equity of \$388,362 and considerable cash resources which provide scope for the incoming P&C to continue making significant donations to the school in 2024 and beyond.

Thanks you to my fellow P&C Executive members Ang, Emelie, Dee and Tim for their support and assistance and with Ang's strong leadership and guidance things are looking positive for the year/s to come.

Kendal Mackay Treasurer

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Federal Election BBQ & Cake Stall













Trivia Night















Fete























After the Fete...











School Disco







