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**P&C MEETING
(in person Wednesday 5th May 2021 following AGM)**

Meeting Open: 5.50pm

Acknowledgement: Welcome to and Acknowledgement of Country

Attendance: Larissa Polak, Arneeka Gill, Kelly Lewis, Michelle Taylor, Joanne Stewart, Kylie Sivewright, Kellie Keed, Leonie Bebb, Emma Smith, Virpi Barrett, Lisa Gaudron, Wombi Woolbank, Leah Ferris

Apologies: Vanessa Hutchenson

Previous Minutes read by Arneeka Gill and accepted by Emma Smith

Reports:

Principal:

See attached

Treasurer:

Bank Balance as at 31 December 2020 - \$12,216.26

Correspondence:

1. Story Dogs – Part of school commitment in having Story Dogs program is to organise one fundraising event each year the program is active in our school, with all funds going directly to Story Dog – this was passed on to Kellie Keed for SRC
2. Email from P&C in relation to renewal of Zoom Licence (due by 30 June 2021 - \$125) – we will discuss this at the next meeting
3. Email from Lyn Paisley thanking us for her gift and all our hardwork.

Business Arising:

1. Pie Drive is booked and delivery will be 24 June 2021. Larissa and Emma will look at a Google Doc Form. Pie Orders to be sent out 21 May 2021 with the Newsletter. Orders will be due back on 4 June 2021. Payment by bank transfer or cash.
2. Mother's Day stall is next week. There was no purchase of further gifts an audit of the gifts in the cupboard has been done. Kylie Sivewright will run the stall with the assistance of Wombi.
3. Commonwealth Bank School Banking was discussed. There was some issues raised and a suggestion that we invite Victoria to the next meeting to explain about school banking - this offer was declined and it was decided school banking will continue.
4. Zoom Licence need to complete Zoom Renewal/Cancellation online - move this to the next Agenda and discuss.
5. Jo Wright has retired it was discussed as a group on purchasing a voucher and it was suggested a \$50 voucher at NORPA. Arneeka moved the motion and Kellie Keed seconded it.
6. A further Gemfest meeting will take place on Monday 10 May 2021 at 3.15pm at the School.

Next Meeting: 2 June 2021 at 5.30pm

Meeting Closed: 6.53pm



P&C Meeting - Principal's Report 5 May 2021

ANZAC Day

Thank you to the families, students and staff of Lismore South for joining us for Lismore's ANZAC Day march. It was a wonderful turn out and all students represented our school with pride. We have received a lovely letter of thanks on behalf of the RSL President and members of the City of Lismore RSL Sub-Branch. The president thanked all primary school teachers and students who attended the ANZAC march and service for the overwhelming support of 2021 ANZAC Commemoration. The support shown by local schools has instilled a great degree of confidence in the veteran community that the traditions of ANZAC are in safe hands.

Parent Interviews

Parent interviews were scheduled for the end of Term 1. Some were carried over due to staff sickness. Booking via the online interviews were well received by parents and an easy process to follow. Stage 2 and 3 classes engaged students as active members of the interview process. Parents are most welcome to make appointments with staff at any time throughout the year to support every child's learning development.

Staffing Changes

We congratulate Karen Newton who has been appointed as our EAfS K-2 Instructional Leader for the remainder of 2021. We also welcome Kelly-Rae Allen to the role of 3-6 Instructional Leader. Both leaders will support the teaching and learning of literacy and numeracy across the school.

COVID Intensive Learning Support

Late last year, the NSW government announced that \$337M would be spent in small group tuition in NSW schools. This was to ensure that student learning was supported following the disruptions experienced in 2020. The school program focuses on literacy and numeracy in small group sessions three times per week for 30 minutes. The staff who are working in this team are Karen Gallagher, Nat Hamlyn, Vanessa Dawson, Julie Cormick and Sharon Knight. Students in Year 1, 3 and 5 have been our first group for 10 weeks. Students from most grades will have the opportunity to be part of this intensive learning program.

STEM

Congratulations to Kylie Organ on showcasing the work of the school at the state STEM conference. Kylie has presented our school's journey with project-based learning and the introduction of STEM. In this workshop, Kylie has explored the iSTEM Design Thinking process, how it helps students to develop innovative solutions to real world problems and how the process can be used to teach students the fundamental principles of STEM. Since implementing project-based learning in 2018, Lismore South Public School has seen a huge improvement in student and community engagement.

Sustainability Grant

Our school has been successful in gaining a \$15000 state grant to fund sustainable education school projects. The School Infrastructure NSW's Sustainable Schools funding will allow us to provide opportunities to develop and implement innovative hands-on projects that help students learn about environmentally sustainable practices and take real steps to enhance the sustainability of our school environment. The grants are part of a four-year, \$10 million dollar state program.

Rural Access Gap

As part of the Schools Digital Strategy the [Rural Access Gap](#) (RAG) program, our school will receive new panels, teacher laptops and student devices. The school has also purchased a further 20 laptops \$15000 and storage to ensure we have enough digital devices for learning across all classes.

Got It Program

Our school is fortunate to be accessing the NSW Health Got It program this year. This is a specialised mental health early intervention program for children in Kindergarten to Year 2 (K-2) aged 5-8 years. The targeted clinical program is delivered in the school setting in conjunction with universal Got It! interventions at a point in children's development when intervention is likely to be effective. Locating the program in the school setting supports engagement with children and families.

Got It! aims to:

1. Reduce the frequency and severity of conduct problems in young children
2. Strengthen the abilities of parents/carers to parent well
3. Build capabilities of school staff and the capacity of the school system to respond to children with conduct problems and their families.

Regards,
Larissa Polak
Principal

What's Coming Up

Week 4 10 – 15 May	NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5	Peer Support program commences	
Week 5 17 – 21 May	NAPLAN Yrs 3 & 5	National Simultaneous Read Day 19 May	Book Fair 20 May
Week 6 24 – 28 May	Australian Dental Health visit	Pillowcase project 27 May Stage 2 Red Cross	
Week 7 31 May – 4 June	Listening to Children Red Inc Project	Got It Parent Interviews 31 May - 3 June	
Week 8 7 – 11 June	Netball Cup	Got It Parent Interviews 7-8 June	
Week 9 14-18 June	Wildlife Show P-2 \$7.50 15&17 June		
Week 10 21-25 June	Multicultural Public Speaking Comp 21 June	Pie order pick up 24 June	Last day of term 25 June