



# Richardson Primary P&C Newsletter

Hello and welcome to the first edition of our very own P&C Newsletter.

The purpose of this newsletter is to allow us, the P&C committee, to connect with our families and community within Richardson Primary School and the surrounding area.

## **What is the purpose of the P&C?**

The P&C Committee is an officially recognised committee where anyone interested in the welfare of students attending government schools can meet to discuss educational issues.

The objective of the P&C is to promote the interests of the school for which it is formed by: –

- (a) promoting cooperation between parents, teachers, students, and members of the general community;
- (b) assisting in the provision of resources, facilities, and amenities for the school or schools; and
- (c) giving parents an opportunity to learn about the school's policies and programs; organising ways in which parents can share in shaping and developing school policies; bring parents together to share information and views; assist the school in building positive attitudes to students and their families; help raise funds to provide extra resources.

In recent years the P&C have been proud to assist with various projects undertaken by the school such as:

- The purchase and installation of new basketball hoops
- Purchases made to upgrade Preschool play equipment
- Purchasing of disco lights and smoke machines
- Financial assistance for the Year 6 Graduation
- Donation of a petting zoo to the Christmas Community Celebration
- The purchase of Chromebook trolleys
- Yearly Mother's and Father's Day stalls

# **Who is your committee?**

## **Olivia Bocock – President.**

I have been an active member of the Richardson Primary P&C for 6.5 years, 5 of which have been in the president's role. I have taken pride and pleasure in the activities we have organised for the students and families and find nothing more rewarding than seeing the students having fun together.

We have had the opportunity to assist the school with various funding requests as well as providing more fundraising with fun activities for the students to be involved in. As well as the all-important fundraising, I immensely enjoy the supporting role we have within the school. Supporting and providing information to parents, families and students themselves. Advocating where necessary and generally being available to help wherever needed.

## **Tali Perry – Vice-President**

Hello, I am Tali Perry the vice President of the P & C. I have been with this school for the last 8 years with both my kids. I have really enjoyed my time with the P&C making a difference for our kids and making things that little bit more fun. It also gives me more information on what's happening within the school, also being able to have a say in what happens with what we are doing in the P&C.

## **Mel Peters – Treasurer**

A bit about myself and my involvement in the Richardson Primary P&C.

I have two girls that attend RPS, one in her second year at Kindergarten and the other is in her fourth year in Grade Two. I had made the decision years ago that once my children started school, I would do whatever I could to be involved in their time there and help out where I could. This can be difficult at times with working full-time, but when it comes to my kids, work can wait.

I first got involved in the P&C when my now 7-year-old started Preschool 4 years ago. For my first year I helped out as a volunteer as often as I could, got to know the other committee members really well and really enjoyed the events, fundraising and other programs we helped with throughout the year.

For the past 3 years I have been the P&C Treasurer. For me, I love this role as it keeps my finance skills up to date which also helps me out in my job.

I am someone who will speak my mind and tell it how it is. What you see is what you get. We have a great committee and some really fantastic members but being such a small community, we are struggling to keep our numbers up. The committee is not what you typically see within the movies, sitting around drinking tea and eating cupcakes in our cardigans, we get involved. We help out with most major events or functions at the school and as we are all working parents, whether it be full time or part time, we all still have lives to live outside of this community, but we all pitch in and have some fun whilst doing it.

## **Deb Clarke – Secretary**

Hello! I'm Deb and I have 3 boys at Richardson Primary - Callum, Kai and Cade. I first got involved with the P&C in 2016 as the Preschool parent representative. I really enjoyed getting involved with volunteering for the various fundraising events run by the P&C that I am now Secretary for 2018! Apart from being able to help when needed, the thing I like most about Richardson P&C is how laid back everyone is (but not too laid back!) and it's been a great opportunity to get to know some of the parents of my kid's classmates. I would love to get to know more of you so please consider coming along to the next meeting!

### **Kristy Worldon – Valued Committee member**

My name is Kristy Worldon and I am a Mum of 2 children who attended and attend Richardson Primary school. I am also a Family Day Care Educator looking after other children from my home. I joined the P&C back in term 1 2017. I like being a part of the P & C and try to help out whenever I can, most times I also have children in tow but the P & C are happy for me to bring them along to meetings or whatever I may be volunteering to do.

### **Julie Brimmer – Valued Committee member**

A big hello to families, friends and community of Richardson Primary. My name is Julie and I'm a mummy to 3 wonderful children who attend our school and I'm also a member of our lovely P&C. My role includes taking care of lost property and ordering hats etc for our school, basically anything uniform related. I have been a part of our P&C now for a year and plan on staying on as long as my children attend our beautiful school. My children are: Xavier 8 years old in grade 3 and twins Charlotte and Monica 7 years in grade 2.

We are looking for more mums and dads to join our P&C and I'd like to say if you have any questions or anything please feel free to have a chat with myself or any other member of the committee. We are a friendly, down to earth bunch of mummies who welcome all with warm hearts. I can't wait to meet you all and have a chat and grow our P&C and school community. Keep smiling

We all work hard together to make each event successful. We all play an individual role in the fundraising events, whether it's from organising, to volunteering on the day, we all make it happen. Whilst we have an established committee for the year, we are always welcoming new members who would like to be involved.



## What's coming up?



**13<sup>th</sup> April – Burger and Pizza Day**

### **7<sup>th</sup> May 2018 - MOTHER'S DAY STALL**

The Mother's Day stall will, as always, be available for ALL students throughout the day to attend with their classes.

The stall will also be available from 2.45pm on 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> May.



### **6<sup>th</sup> July – Movie Afternoon**

Movie TBA. There will be popcorn and juice boxes available with order forms coming home a week prior. Tickets to the movie will need to be purchased at 50cents/ticket with a supervised, quiet activity to be arranged for those students without tickets.



### **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August - Father's Day Stall**

The Father's Day stall will, as always, be available for ALL students throughout the day to attend with their classes.

The stall will also be available from 2.45pm on 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> August.

### **Cookie Dough Orders**

Date TBA – Term 2



### **Design your own Tea Towel**

Date TBA – Term 3



### **Car Wash**

Date TBA – Term 4



### **Community Celebration**

Date TBA – Usually the first Friday of December



### **End of Year Disco**

Date TBA - Term 4



# WATCH THIS SPACE!

Should you, or a member of our immediate community, have a working from home business, your own business, or even Party planning, you can advertise HERE!

The P&C want to support our families and community and are offering the opportunity for FREE advertising within our newsletter.

Should you have a business you wish to advertise please send me your advert to [oliviabocock@hotmail.com](mailto:oliviabocock@hotmail.com) by 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018.

Adverts need to be concise and informative, with relevant contact details provided.

In return we would love for you to consider showing your support, by sponsoring or volunteering at our next event.

# Richardson Primary School

## P&C Word Search

I P A C C I T I Z E N S X O E C Y K N P  
R R X W E I D F N O I T A C U D E O T Y  
T E L R R L M B Q Q N J K G I V I N G E  
W S P E N F E D E V L O V N I T F O N D  
Y C Y R N R T B H N O I T C A R E T N I  
R H R U E X Y F R C I Q V M B S D P K D  
A O A S R S T U Y A V R R E C Q Z J S S  
T O M A D L I N O M T O H Y O V N M N S  
E L I E L L N D C A F I X C M P M E Q X  
R R R R I E U R E N I N O N M R E I G L  
C D P T H W M A I N M O J N I T Z Z D V  
E T V V C L M I Z B T E L Y T L M T O M  
S B G Z A A O S S G Z G H I M A F L Q K  
H N L J N C C I O W R D M X E U U F L S  
T U G G E R A N O N G M E C N N R L F B  
J Q O T Z U R G C P O N T L T K S C B E  
B E A K Z L U J T C J W C E P A I E W U  
T S T N E D U T S G B E E J A A H V F G  
C A N B E R R A O K T R S T N E R A P C  
A I L A R T S U A T N O S D R A H C I R

RICHARDSON	GIVING
PRIMARY	PARENTS
VOLUNTEER	CITIZENS
FUNDRAISING	CHILDREN
STUDENTS	INFORMATION
COMMUNITY	INTERACTION
FUN	PRESIDENT
TUGGERANONG	TREASURER
CALWELL	SECRETARY
EDUCATION	CELEBRATION
PRESCHOOL	COMMITTEE
CANBERRA	COMMITMENT
AUSTRALIA	INVOLVED

# CONGRATULATIONS!

- To our amazing students who attended the Swimming Carnival, I was privileged to watch them all receive their awards at last week's assembly and they should all be very proud of themselves.
- A special mention must go out to one of our Year 6 students who had the incredible initiative to request a new flag to fly in the front of our school. Amazing work and the new flag looks great!
- The athletics carnival was a fun day for many students who participated in various activities from sprints, to long jump to shot put. Fantastic effort from everyone and I believe the cheering could be heard all the way at Calwell High! Wonderful job!!
- A HUGE congratulation to the winners of the P&C Easter Colouring competition! The judges had a very hard time making their decision and we can

see why. We had so many beautiful entries, well done to you all!



That's all for the first edition of the P&C Newsletter. We look forward to bringing you our news next term and don't forget to get your advert to us.

Have wonderful holidays and see you all in Term 2!