



GOVERNING COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

IMPORTANT DATES

End of Term 1

Friday 9th April (2pm finish)

Start of Term 2

Tuesday 27th April

Next Governing Council Meeting

Monday 10th May - 6:30pm

STAY UP TO DATE

Visit the school website to find information on events, policies, finance, OSHC, the Children's Centre and all areas of the school curriculum.

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YOUR GOVERNING COUNCIL FOR 2021

The AGM held on Monday 15th February was well attended by parents and school staff. We got to review the year that was 2020 (one we won't forget for a long time) with reports from our Principal (Mel Justice), Chairperson (Emma Jones), Treasurer (Carylin Griffin) and the Numeracy, Literacy and Wellbeing leaders.

A big thank you to the Governing Council members who finished their tenure at the end of 2020. The contribution you have made is greatly appreciated.

*(Mark Elliot - 4 years, Tiffany Steinart - 4 years, Jodie Doherty - 2 years, Kirsty Cowling - 1 year * resigned)*

Thank you to the parent, community and staff members who re-nominated or are continuing on with their term.

(Emma Jones- Chair, Faith Spalding- Vice-Chair, Leanne Bawden- Secretary, Carylin Griffin- Treasurer, Tiffany Bennett, Kara Neilson, Rachel Cheel, Tina Williams, Theresa Hodson, Jane Moore- Children's Centre, Meghan Orr - OSHC, Mikaila Sears, Alex Schulz)

And welcome to our new parent and staff members who put their hand up to be part of the Governing Council for 2021. *(Sharon Bell, Leanne Elliot, Nikki Lee Duggan, Sage Young and Fiona Takos)*

The Governing Council meet twice per term and parents can send feedback, ideas or questions for the members via the school email (mark it attention GOVERNING COUNCIL) or the letterbox on the entrance gate.



OSHC DONATION

We are excited to share that at the recent meeting the Governing Council approved a \$150,000 donation to be made to the school from the OSHC service. 100% of these funds will go towards purchasing new computers and IT equipment for all year levels.

Our OSHC service is a Governing Council run entity and we are responsible for deciding how profits can be spent. Due to the high number of families who use the service and the wonderful management of the service by Meghan Orr (Director) and her team, we are in a position where it has a very healthy bank balance.

A big THANK YOU to OSHC for this donation. We know it is going to make a huge difference to every student in the school.

JOIN ONE OF OUR SUB-COMMITTEES

We are still actively seeking parents who would like to be part of our sub-committees. Please don't underestimate how important these committees are and the impact you can have by being part of them.

We are looking for members to join:

FUNDRAISING / SPORTS / GROUNDS / OSHC / POLICIES

(most meet 1 or 2 times per term)

Please contact Jardey if you would like to join a committee.



FUNDRAISING NEWS

The Fundraising Committee will be organising a **Mother's Day Stall** to be held during Week 2, Term 2. More details will be sent out to families at the start of Term 2.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Firstly I'd like to welcome everyone to our 2021 school year. Also a warm welcome to our new Governing Council office bearers and members.

I will be away in term 2, taking time to travel with my family and Faith Spalding will step in as Vice-Chair. Thank you Faith 😊

There are so many positive and exciting things happening this year and we promise to stay in touch with you via our newsletter. Please make sure you also check out the newly designed website, if you haven't already.

A huge thank you to Meaghan and the OSHC service for their generous donation which will fund much-needed technology.

We would love to see some new members on our sub-committees so please get in touch if you can spare a little time each term.

I hope you all enjoyed a safe and happy Easter break and are looking forward to the April school holidays.

See you all in Term 3.

Emma Jones

NEW BULLYING PREVENTION POLICY

The Policies sub-committee spent last year working on the new Bullying Prevention Policy and at the recent meeting the Governing Council ratified this as a new school policy. It will be added to the school website very soon for all families to review.



KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE

It is important that we ALL play our part in ensuring every child arrives and leaves school safe. Drivers, please drive carefully and keep an eye out for children walking and on wheels. Parents, please talk to your children and remind them about being safe around cars.

