

MATER CHRISTI CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS AND FRIENDS COMMITTEE

AGENDA of GENERAL MEETING

17th October 2023, 7pm Staff Room

1.	WELCOME Acknowledgement of Country and Opening Prayer	10mins	Lesley Pascuzzi & Tania Nero
2.	ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES		Susannah Griffiths
3.	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING		Susannah Griffiths
4.	BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES - ACTION REPORT attached		Lesley Pascuzzi
5.	REPORTS- attached below		
5.1	President (Rep to School Advisory Committee) -	30mins	Lesley Pascuzzi
5.2	Vice Presidents		Angela Goldsmith & Kelly Kinahan
5.3	Principal		Toni Kalat
5.4	Treasurer - vote on purchase of regular tablecloths and additional cookie expenditure		Damien Amsuss
5.5	Parish Representative		Tania Nero
5.6	CSPWA Representative- Family engagement in schools, free workshop.		Vicky Hartill
5.7	Sun-smart Representative		Position Vacant
5.8	Food Coordinator		Derrick & Delsy Martins
5.9	Dads Group		Drew Williamson
5.10	Wellness Coordinator – coffee van booked		Ana Rita
5.11	Social Media Coordinator		Michelle Pozzi
6	CORRESPONDENCE- City of Cockburn events Term 4 CSPWA Newsletter, Family Engagement in Schools Workshop		Susannah Griffiths
7	PROJECTS		
7.1	Class rep thank you gifts-coffee vouchers	2mins	
7.2	Golden Car Bay 2024	2mins	
8	EVENTS		
8.1	Crunch & Sip Term 4	2mins	Lesley Pascuzzi/Susannah Griffiths
8.2	Dad’s Camp out 4 th November-coffee van booked	5mins	Drew Williamson

8.3	Christmas Concert- food vendors	2mins	<i>Kelly Kinahan</i>
8.4	School Disco	5mins	<i>Lesley Pascuzzi</i>
8.5	Grandparents day- cookies	2mins	<i>Angela Goldsmith</i>
8.6	Staff Appreciation day	2mins	<i>Kelly Kinahan</i>
8.7	P&F Afternoon Tea	2min	<i>Kelly Kinahan</i>
9	FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGNS -		
9.1	Cards that count	2mins	<i>Rebecca Bates</i>
10	GENERAL BUSINESS		
11	COMMUNITY QUESTIONS	5 mins	<i>Lesley Pascuzzi</i>
11.1	Next year's P&F events for discussion	2 mins	<i>Lesley Pascuzzi</i>
12	NEXT MEETING & CLOSE AGM, Wed 15 th Nov 6pm		

Presidents Report - Lesley Pascuzzi

Congratulations and thank you to Angela Goldsmith, Vice-President who occupied the chair in our September meeting. Like us all, there is always that “will I be able to do it” thought that floats through the mind. A great reminder to all of us as parents that the unknown isn’t as scary as we might have thought and with a great environment around us we actually did really well!

Term 4 off to a cracking start with our athletics carnivals. Thanks to Mr Donnelly and his Year 6 sports captains, staff and school leadership who always come together to put together a wonderful day for the children. Thanks to Kelly Kinahan alongside our food coordinators for the coordination of the P&F fundraising cake stall. To those parents who attended to volunteer an hour of their time as well as those who baked yummy goods for others to enjoy.

Showing Mater Christi Staff how much we value ALL that you do is coming up on 25th October. Thanks in advance to all who contribute to this event each year and to Tim from Gingernut Coffee who will attend in the morning to start off the day with bespoke coffee orders!

We look forward to our Dad’s Camp Out in early November and thank you to Julie Southwell and staff involved at Catholic Education who worked hard last term to find a suitable Plan B after the announcement of the upcoming Referendum. Supported by an army of Dad’s, Drew Williamson has this years event under his watchful eye and a sell out 100 families will set up their tents and create some wonderful memories!

Its great to see EduDance back on the timetable for Term 4 and we eagerly await the performances of young and old at the end of term. As parents, we continue to give thanks for the range of opportunities afforded to our children at Mater Christi.

As we start to think about 2024, I'd like to acknowledge the hours of consultation that has gone into preparing class lists for next year. With the support of Julie and Renee and the entire staff, we appreciate this is not a straightforward task for you Toni. Thank you for keeping each of our children in mind as plans are made for what will be another enriching year of academic life.

I'd like to thank Glenn Turner, SAC Chairperson and all members of the SAC for their guidance and hard work throughout 2023. It has been a pleasure to represent the P&F within your meetings and I have loved getting to know all of you.

From a P&F perspective, this is my final report in my 3-year tenure as President. I'd like to thank Toni personally for encouraging me on more than one occasion to take on this role. Initially a sceptic, I am extremely grateful that you didn't let my first answer be my final answer. Promising to just chair the meetings turned into a journey that I will be forever thankful to have stumbled into. To those past presidents who initially offered me their advice and guidance, thank you. To the Executive members who served alongside me, thank you for the endless hours of volunteering and commitment to make sure our school community continued to have a parent voice and representation, especially through the pandemic where it was extra hard work. Extra special thanks to Vicky Hartill in her role as secretary for 2 of my 3 years as president, I'd not be as knowledgeable or prepared if it were not for you! Thankful to have had our paths collide.

As we look to 2024, all P&F positions will be declared vacant at the close of our meeting and I look forward to welcoming new nominations from within our community. As we have seen work well in 2023, you can share a position with a friend and share the experience! Lets face it we are all juggling balls and spinning plates as parents – multitasking and smiling as you do it is a great foundation for excellence in a P&F position.

Don't forget to join us at the school annual AGM and thank you drinks on 15th November!

Thank you for having me Mater Christi, I will forever remember my time as President with a smile.

Lesley Pascuzzi

Vice President's Report- Angela Goldsmith & Kelly Kinahan

To be presented at the meeting

Principal's Report- Toni Kalat

Thank You

I am delighted to be back after an incredible five weeks of adventures, my upskilling in history and archaeology and a greater appreciation of St Paul and all he did to spread the good news of Jesus Christ.

I am very grateful to Julie and her extraordinary leadership as Principal. It was a seamless transition, with Julie juggling many portfolios within this space. Thank you so much Julie. I also appreciate Renae for supporting Julie and welcoming and working with April as Assistant Principal.

Staffing

I am currently working on staffing for 2024. All contracts should be finalised by the end of this month.

Athletics Carnival

The students and staff participated in two superbly organised carnivals. The weather was on our side and as always, Ryan Donnelly ensured that the students were highly engaged, well prepared and had lots of fun.

Pre Kindy

Finally, after two years of working with a t-shirt provider, the pre-kindergarten t-shirt for 2024 has arrived. Our youngest cherubs will be beautiful when they wear their little uniform to school.

All staff and students will work through the remaining action-packed eight weeks of term. Education lessons have commenced for PP-Yr 6. Each year level will showcase their learning at the End of Year Concert. Next week we will begin to discuss and prepare the class lists for 2024. When I receive an email from a parent with a request, it is also with their understanding that their request will be taken into consideration and trust that we will do the best for their child taking into account many factors that you would not be privy to as parents. I appreciate this understanding and trust in the staff and leadership team.

Toni Kalat

Treasurer's Report- Damian Amsuss

To be presented at the meeting

Parish Representative, Tania Nero

No updates at present.

CSPWA Report, Vicky Hartill

Family Engagement in Schools
Free family engagement workshops across Australia

In partnership with Together For Humanity, ACSO is holding three Family Engagement events around the country in November - *Family Engagement in Schools: Enabling and Energising.*

Aligned to the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers

2023 DATES

Orange, NSW
Thursday 2 November,
10am-2pm
Orange Ex-Services Club
BOOK NOW

Perth, WA
Friday 10 Nov,
10am-2pm
The Westin Perth
BOOK NOW

Melbourne, VIC
Friday 17 Nov,
10am-2pm
Pullman Melbourne on Park
BOOK NOW

The workshop will explore:

- What is family engagement?
- Why is family engagement the key to student learning and wellbeing?
- Overcoming barriers to participation
- Ensuring inclusion and belonging for culturally diverse families

Parents and carers of school students, P&Cs, school boards, school staff or anyone interested in family engagement are welcome. This is a **FREE** event. Complimentary morning tea and lunch included. If you're interested in how you can support children to get the most of their education, secure your spot today. Registration is essential.

For more information, contact:
Kate@togetherforhumanity.org.au

Together For Humanity

Current CSPWA newsletter via the link :[Catholic School Parents Western Australia eNewsletter \(csp.wa.edu.au\)](http://csp.wa.edu.au)

Sun-smart Representative

Position currently vacant

Food Coordinators, Derrick & Delsy Martins

To be presented at the meeting

Dad's Group, Drew Williamson

To be presented at the meeting

Wellness Coordinator, Ana Rita Apps

No updates at present.

Social Media Coordinator, Michelle Pozzi

No updates at present.

Correspondence:

Coming up in Cockburn

- **Coolbellup Learning Centre Pre kindy Term 4** – free five-week program starting Monday 16 (CCK, Yangebup Family Centre)
- **Southwest Metro Parenting Service Term 4 calendar**
- **Froggy's Fun on the Green free outdoor playgroup** – Monday: Manning Park, Tuesday: Success Regional Sport and Community Facility
- **Fatty Liver Study** – participants aged 5-15 years (and parents) wanted for fatty liver study – shopping voucher provided – not invasive.
- **Cockburn Rotary Spring Fair** – end of month
- **Teddy Bears Picnic** – next Wednesday 18 October
- **Skateboard coaching clinics** – free clinics for 6-12 year olds Bibra Lake (Mondays) and Atwell (Tuesdays) starting Monday 16 October, rego essential
- **Sustainable Schools WA Network Term 4** – Tuesday 31 October
- **Right by You Self Care Workshop for schools** – free 45-minute workshop to schools with students 12 years+

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Parents & Friends Meetings

MEETING DATE	ACTION	ACTION UPDATE	ACTION ASSIGNED TO	ACTION STATUS
23.8.22	5.5.1 Review P&F wellness program with parish wellness coordinator	31.10.22 a meeting has been booked	HK/LP	Pending
	8.2.1 Investigate grant options for publicly accessible defibrillator	At present there is nowhere to house a defibrillator with public access. Can be reviewed once Kindy building is complete. At present there is one available at the school during school hours and at the church.	S.G	Closed
	5.10.1 Prepare plans for Wellness workshop and movie night	Unfortunately we have run out of time for this year and will be added to our list for next year.	ARA/Exec/TK	Closed
16.5.23	7.1.1 Mother's Day Stall Summary	Complete final summary and add to OneDrive	LP/SG	Complete
22.8.23	5.8.1 Research the cost of Coffee Percolator	KK has already looked at the cost of hire vs buy, however will further research online	KK	Pending
22.8.23	9.2.1 Complete registration for Food Vendors at Christmas Concert	KK has sent the registration for food vendors	KK	Complete

Action Report September 2023