Report of the BRPS P&C Class Parent Network

May 2015

1. BRPS P&C management committee actions
   1.1. None

2. Work undertaken to date

   Grandfriends Day – Monday 16th March
   Grandfriends are invited to the school for an assembly, classroom viewing, opportunity to purchase a library book and a morning tea. Received a fantastic report written by Julie - highlights from the report were:
   2.1. It was a great day, very well organised this year and Grandfriends donated over 170 books to the library. Attendance was well over 250.
   2.2. It was useful to have Nicole from the Children’s Bookshop Beecroft attend with her knowledge for displaying the books etc.
   2.3. Some small improvements for next year:
   a. Discovered 2 weeks before the event the books had not been ordered. Ensure check early enough with Mr McDonald that this has been done.
   b. When the books arrived there were a lot more expensive books than cheaper ones - ensure when ordering to order enough of the cheaper $10 books.
   c. Laminated signs on the ‘plaque tables’ could have added more detail to these i.e. “fill in grandfriends names where it says ‘donated by’ and fill in student’s name where it says ‘student/family name”.
   d. Suggest fewer fruit platters and more sandwiches next year.
   e. Important to ensure that the children do not eat the food and that it is brought out steadily so that grandparents who are still buying books don’t miss out on something to eat. Maybe ask Malcolm to make an announcement in assembly the week before about the food being for grandfriends, not grandchildren.
   f. Not enough volunteers for cleanup. Ensure parents stay behind or are rostered on to help with this job.

   Easter Egg Chocolate Drive – March / April
   Parents are invited to collect a box from under the cola that contains 20 bags of chocolate eggs to sell to work colleagues and family. 102 boxes (100 plus 2 free) were ordered and all were sold.
   2.4. Financials:

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Easter Egg Guessing competition money | $162.00  
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Minus money paid to Cadbury | - $5000.00  
Total Profit | $3440.20

2.5. Feedback:
- a. 100 boxes is the right amount – no more. The event generates a good amount of profit.
- b. It is a lot of work for the class parents
- c. A number of families complained about not being able to sell the bags and ending up buying most of them themselves. There was an amount of negative feedback - perhaps could look at a different fundraiser next year?
- d. Difficult to delegate among several people because a lot of money is involved and keeping track of the payments, deposits, etc quite fiddly with so much coinage. The last few payments from parents took a bit of chasing in term 2.

3. Recommendation or request
Funding of the Year 6 Farewell (attended by years 5 and 6): In the past, on a non-Canberra excursion year, all kids (both Years 5 and 6) paid $20. On the year they go to Canberra no-one pays. We would like to avoid the Canberra confusion

We request the P&C to vote on the following motion:
That for the Year 6 Farewell, attended by Year 5 students as well, that either
(a) Every year no-one pays and the entire cost is split between the School and the P&C OR
(b) Every year only Year 5 students pay $20 and the remainder is split between the School and the P&C.

4. Ongoing work

**Mothers Day Stall – Thursday 7th and Friday 8th May**
4.1. Mother’s Day stall preparations are going well. All gifts have been purchased and wrapping completed. The stall will be set up on Wednesday for Thursday morning. A note was sent out this week and an email reminder will be sent next week.

**School Disco – Friday 12th June**
4.2. Theme decided – “B Boogie and Beats”. Kids can come dressed as something beginning with B or just come along to boogie! The school had a “P” Party disco a few years ago and it was...
terrific. Anneliese is putting together a flyer for the next Bulletin and other jobs have started to be divided up – decorations, Flexischools tickets, BBQ, DJ, risk assessment, etc. Everyone keen to help, which is great.

Year 6 Farewell - December
4.3. Year 5 parents met 27/4 to start planning the Yr5/6 end of year event. The budget for the evening will be forwarded for approval at a later date. In the past it has worked out to be about $11 per head (we have approx. 130 kids this year so it is much larger than previous years) and approx. $700 for decorations, plates, serviettes etc. No reports were submitted for 2013 or 2014 so chasing 2014 parents for any info that confirm these numbers.