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St Peters Public School P&C President's Report 2020

Our P&C facilitates change, progress and community engagement where we see the need. An effective P&C can help to shape the school to cater to the needs of its community; it is your voice in the school and can help you to make a real difference for our students and their future.

We currently have just 29 members and, in spite of our small size, we do a lot with a little. We are also fortunate to have the positive co-operation of our dedicated Principal, teachers and ancillary staff.

Following are some examples of our many P&C activities and initiatives during 2020:

- Held fundraisers (Tea towel fundraiser, Xmas tree sale) fund equipment purchases, upgrades and other activities
- Won grants to fund equipment purchases, upgrades and other activities.
We're very grateful for the generosity of grant-makers and our wonderful sponsors and donors – some of whom give again and again without hesitation.

We were very pleased to be successful in the 2019 and 2020 NSW Government 'Community Building Partnership' grant rounds to fund fencing to safely separate the carpark from the playing field (CBP2019), and a multipurpose sports court (CBP2020).

– Thank you to our State Member for Heffron Mr Ron Hoenig for your most kind support

- Provided maintenance and funded resources for the school to support learning through the kitchen garden
- Funded new honour boards
- Funded Injury Insurance for all students
- Funded resources and annual tutor public liability insurance for the school band
- Funded an annual student bursary to assist students of in-crisis and disadvantaged families
- Recruited and managed volunteers to ensure the continued provision of ethics classes
- Advocated on health, amenity and road safety issues for the school community
- Helped to increase the profile of the school and grow enrolments
- Supported the school's various enrolment drive activities
- Funded the annual 'Gold Merit Award' prize for Presentation Day
- Participated in the Inner West Sustainable Schools Network
- Facilitated container recycling for the school
- Operate a second-hand uniform exchange
- Provided parent representation for school staff selection panels

It has been very rewarding and personally satisfying to have this opportunity to help drive positive change for our beautiful school. I wish to thank my fellow office bearers, members and all of our wonderful volunteers and the school community for your support and commitment during 2020. In spite of COVID19 ambushing many of our grand plans and interrupting the normal rhythm of P&C activities during this extraordinary year, we still managed to move forward and get plenty done.

The school anticipates over 160 enrolments for 2021 and hopefully, with this positive growth, we'll be welcoming lots of extra new P&C members next year so that we can achieve more of the good stuff. I look forward to seeing P&C go from strength to strength in coming years.

Sincerely,

Kate Hafey, President, St Peters Public School P&C Association