

Doreen Primary School Council Meeting
Thursday September 6th, 2018

Present: : Glenn Simondson, Lisa Welch, Ben Miller, Kirsty Branagan, Catherine Ingram, Craig Eastaway, , Brent Hardy, Leonie Craig,

Apologies: Naomi Joiner, Emma Peters, Warren Sharpe. Shelley Harris

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Approved Lisa Welch, Seconded Ben Miller

Business Arising:

No President due to Kirsty Branagan not being eligible. Position accepted by Vice President Brent Hardy. Nominated Kirsty Branagan, Seconded Glenn Simondson.

Correspondence

Nil

Principal's Report:

Enrolments

Enrolments are at 152 at present, and we will have 154 at the end of the year. We are losing a family to Mildura and a child to home Schooling, so we will finish the year like we started. We will have 25+ in next year, and we will have around 155 children.

Busy Term

We have had a hectic few weeks, which leads us to better planning next year to spread things out. We did many new things this year, so were unsure of the commitment etc. We are aware now. Third term way too busy. Need to re- arrange. 5/6 jets to go to first term, spread Jets gym for other grades over the other terms.

Chinese Students

The Chinese boys started quietly but got comfortable quickly. They had a great time and our families really enjoyed having them.

China 2019

Mr Woo would like us to go to China in May next year. We will take Grade 5&6 students after NAPLAN . Di went last year, and Ben will go next year. Janine will fill in for Glenn. This time we will do the school first and Beijing second. We may also have 20 Chinese students come over here next year as well. School Council happy to keep going with program.

Tiger Paw

Richmond FC. Personal trainers and nutritionists came today. One session today and another on 19th Sept at Eltham. It's a great program and we will do it every year.

KABOOM Sports

Reports back say that our kids were very well behaved. Great program. Much more enthusiasm

Soccer Clinics

Soccer Clinics are running at the moment. Will have more in term 4.

Hooptime

We had lots of keen kids this year. 2 sessions done and some of our teams moved on to the next level

Winter Sport

We won rounders, and football and netball played finals.

Athletic Sports

Athletic Sports are being held next Wednesday, 12th September at Meadowglen. No sausage sizzle this year as Meadowglen charge \$350 to do so.

Ivanhoe Challenge Series

the Ivanhoe Challenge is up and running as of today. Rounders and Netball A won.

Footy Day, last day of term.

We will get the grass mowed and extend oval for footy game.

Bike Education

Great Doreen Bike Ride will be held on 19th October.

Honor Roll

The Cost of the three boards was \$5000 to be reimbursed in part by other schools - 2/3rds to be recovered.

Grade 4 Fundraising efforts

Grade 4 have been running fundraising activities for the farmers effected by drought. Have raised nearly \$1000 so far.

2019 Prep Transition program

Second Prep transition day is to be held next Thursday, 13th September.

Junior School Council Report:

Bike Ed has commenced for grades Prep-4 and has been very successful. Please make sure that your child's bike is safe and works properly. All helmets must fit and be in a good condition, and tyres need to be pumped up.

Grade 4 have been working hard on raising money for the farmers in drought. On Monday the 20th we had an out of uniform fundraiser which raised \$279.15!! Please make sure to purchase and bring your tickets for the other grade 4 fundraising activities

This Friday the grade 5s and 6s headed off to Hoop Time at the Diamond Valley Sports Stadium. We had 4 teams competing and it was great to see lots of people coming to help and support the kids

A previous staff member, Mrs Gear, has put in some time to do some cooking classes in our new kitchen.

Selected children throughout all the grades have been taking part in cooking up a storm and making delicious treats.

Congratulations to our Netball A and Rounders team, for making it in to the final. The Netball A final will be held on Monday the 3rd of September, and the Rounders final will be on Thursday the 30th of August. GO DOREEN!!!

Our Chinese exchange students, Jake and Henry, sadly left last Sunday. They had lots of fun in grades, 6, 5, and 4. They have been with us for 4 weeks and will be sadly missed.

Today the grade 3's and 4's participated in the Melbourne victory soccer clinic, it has been going on for several weeks and the grades are loving it. In the past grades 1 and 2 have done it and we are hoping that grade 5 and 6 will have a turn in term 4.

Mr Simondson has had 3 Honor Rolls made. There is one for each local Primary School. They list the soldiers from this area who fought in World War One. They are very important to Doreen's history: some of the names on the honour rolls are linked to Doreen Primary School or lived in the Hazel Glen/Doreen area. Mr Simondson said "it was a link to our past" which it is. With these rolls we are able to think of our treasured past.

Thank you to the mums who came and ran, helped, and put time and effort into the Father's day stall on Wednesday. It was kind of you, and now we all have lovely presents for our dads.

Child Safety Issues:

CSS Policy - Access to policy noted.

Regular discussion - School Council, Staff, Feedback on child wellbeing required at every staff meeting .

Ensure all adults working with children are aware of their obligations regards Child Safety.

Buildings and Grounds:

Excavations for Entrance number one have been completed. We will pour footings and put posts for "portico" in the ground.

Grass - Is growing well.

Breezeway donation - Brad Park. We will need a small team to help.

Request to hold a working Bee before the 150th. - Suggested date 21st October.

Treasurers Report

CASES Balances

High Yield Account Balance as at 6th September, 2018 - \$20,401.88

Official Account balance as at 6th September, 2018 - \$6,368.02

Total Holdings as at 6th September, 2018 - \$28,769.90

Bank account is positive, and we are well able to cover expected costs. We will carry about \$18K into next term, with a \$33K grant coming in.

Last invoices had little effect. We are owed about \$6900. We write -off previous years beyond 2 years.

Next year's fees will be raised to \$60 per term with a reward for early fee payment. - Approved by all School Council members.

Invoices will be sent out at start of New Year.

Fundraising Report

Father's Day Stall and Disco were both very successful.

General Business

150th progress

Preparations are going very well. The brick wall has been started and the program can be accessed on the School website.

Memorabilia will include our stuff as well as Lost Mernda and Whittlesea

Speeches will start with a welcome from Glenn and will include School Council members, Current and ex Students, Danielle Green, Rob Mitchell, (No department people)

Invites? - Local Principals, Local Council, Ian Hunter, Ex Staff - Fay Fraser, Jan Gear, Kaine Marsh, Jan Grant- Bev Brock, Darren Green, Brad Park, Former School Council Presidents.

Next meeting is on Friday night.

SIP Program.

The SIP Program has had a Maths focus. The online Maths program being used is Essential Assessments which is best run on Ipads. Glenn motioned that the school purchase 12 ipads for this use as well for other programs. Seconded Brent Hardy.

Peer Review and Strategic Plan

we are still awaiting final review. The draft was quite positive but there were a couple of errors. There are directions for our next plan, which will have 3 years of activities only.

NAPLAN

We got some interesting results this year. We take more notice of our end of year exams.
By 2020 NAPLAN will be totally online.

Round the Table

150th photo date not set yet. Aiming for first week of term 4

Thank you from new President.

Meeting Finished 9.40