



ORMISTON STATE SCHOOL

Role of the P&C



Our P&C is involved in:

- Giving parents a voice in school matters and policy decisions
- Providing a nutritious, healthy and reasonably priced tuckshop
- Providing quality school uniforms that are also reasonably priced
- Enhancing the learning environment through P&C sponsored programs and resources
- Giving financial support for “extras”
- Supporting school outcomes
- Creating close school community ties



How can you be involved?

We know that parents are busy people. We have different skills and are in different financial situations. That is why we have a range of ways in which you can get involved in, or support, the P&C. Here are some ideas, but maybe you can suggest some other way that you could contribute – we’d love to hear about it.



P&C Meetings: The P&C meets once a month, on a Monday night. Meetings start at 6:30 pm and details are advertised on the school’s website and through the newsletter.



Tuckshop: The P&C co-ordinates the Tuckshop. We employ a Convener to manage the operation, but rely on volunteers to assist. This is a really great way to not only help out, but to get to meet your child’s friends and teachers.



Uniform Shop: The P&C coordinates the Uniform Shop and endeavours to provide families with access to cost effective and long lasting school uniforms. The uniform shop also sells pre-loved uniforms.



Book-packs: The P&C coordinates the book-pack purchases, with a proportion of the sales coming back into the school as commission.



Volunteering for functions and activities: Throughout the year the P&C runs fund-raising events and working bees. Volunteers are always needed for these events – which are a great way to help out, have fun, and get to meet the other parents.

Other fund-raising activities: Other fund raising opportunities may occur throughout the year. Examples from past years include mobile phone recycling; chocolate drives; and cookie dough drives. Maybe you have an idea for a fund raising activity?

Voluntary contribution: Parents are invited, usually in term 1 or 2, to make a voluntary contribution to the P&C. This provides a base level of funding for the P&C operations each year, and contributes to the P&C donations to the school. This voluntary contribution is particularly useful for those parents who find themselves in a situation where they are unable to give their time for P&C activities, but still want to be making a contribution.

IGA Card: The IGA in Shore Street offers discounts to customers holding one of their community cards. Sign up for a card, use it whenever you shop at that IGA store and a portion of the profits is donated back to the school. This is a great loyalty card system.

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What are the P&C funds raised for?

Here's a sample of some of the recent uses of the P&C funds:

- Playground equipment (with a grant application also being lodged for additional funding)
- Audio visual equipment for the Hall
- Resources for the Prep classes
- Major contribution towards the Athletics Program for all students
- Major contribution towards the Powerhouse Program for boys
- Resources for Religious Education classes
- Competitor ribbons for Sports Day
- Subsidies for students attending sporting events at representative levels
- Major contribution towards re-surfacing of the tennis and netball court

How can I raise an issue to be discussed at a P&C meeting?

The best way to raise an issue is to come along to a meeting yourself. If possible, please let the secretary know ahead of time about your issue and it can be added to the agenda.

We realize that not everyone is able to attend the meetings. You can also raise issues by either leaving a note at the office, or by sending an email to the secretary.



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