**Welcome from the Wahroonga Public School Parents and Citizens (P&C) Association**

The P&C is a voluntary group of parents and carers. Members suggest and vote on a variety of topics including events to run and how to contribute funds to the school. Executive members take positions to help run the formalities of the P&C, which in essence is a medium sized charity.

The primary objective of any P&C is to bring the wider community closer together. This includes staff, students and parents/caregivers. Regular events run by the P&C include:

* "Tea and Tissues" for Kindergarten parents on their child's first day of school
* Student Disco
* Mothers' Day and Fathers’ Day Stalls
* Breakfast Barbeques
* Trivia Night
* Spring Fair

A secondary objective of the P&C is endeavour to raise money to assist the school in funding areas not addressed by the Department. One of the larger contributors to our fundraising is the Uniform Shop.

Some of the historical projects, which the P&C have contributed to, include:

* The building of the pools in the 1950s and 1960s.
* The introduction of computers in the 1980s making the current ICT class possible, this programme was further bolstered by $50k to support the current ICT programme.
* The start of the Bush School Band Programme in the 1980s was the foundation for the current Band programme which the school is renowned for. In 2015, the P&C funded a new band room for music lessons and rehearsals to relieve scheduling conflicts.
* The support of programmes for learning skills and enrichment.
* In 2017, the P&C contributed $85k towards the air-conditioning in classrooms.
* In 2018, the P&C contributed $75k towards the refurbishment of the sports field. We also applied for and won a Kuringai grant for $40,000 to upgrade the amphitheatre.
* In 2019, successfully ran the Spring Fair raising over $36,000 for the school

This year has been a challenging year, however the P&C has persisted in helping the school in any way that we can. We have applied for grants to make improvements t the school facilities, we have donated $40,000 learning support and maintenance of the school pool. We have been able to support the school through modified activities and events. We have still been conducting our meetings by zoom, and are still very much involved in supporting our children and their education.

The WPS P&C would love to have you join us in 2021. Please contact us, come to our meetings and help out in any way you can.

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