

## New Lambton South Public School Parents & Citizens Association

## Why join the P&C? Well, why not?

People have all sorts of ideas about what joining a P&C will be like: "What will the people be like?" or "What will I get out of it?" "Will they be Cardonay drinkers like Kath and Kim?" "Will it be like an episode of Underbelly or like watching Parliament?"

There are lots of ways of supporting your kids at school like meeting staff, attending assembly items, helping out at school events and being part of the P&C. Parents participate at whatever level they are comfortable with, depending on work and other commitments. P&C helps inform parents about school activities and policy, also gives parents opportunities to meet other parents and teachers. Research shows that children perform better at school when their parents are involved in the school community.

There are rules and regulations about how we have to run the meetings as we are bound by the P&C Federation. Ultimately, these procedures exist to ensure we don't have anyone using the P&C for world domination and spend all the funds on statues of themselves, or aims that don't reflect school policy. On the up side, meetings only happen once a month and everybody can contribute to what's happening in the school. The more people involved the more exciting and successful it will be.

P&Cs debates can get enthusiastic. With such a diverse set of people together, you are always going to have differing opinions and that's OK, discussion is healthy. Everyone's final goal is doing something for the school and our kids. The P&C is one small part of the school but we have a history of making significant contributions throughout the year with fundraising and trying to foster a positive community spirit.

If you are thinking of attending a meeting, why not bring a friend – it is always easier to have some support in a new environment. The weekly school Newsflash is also a great way to keep up to date with school events. We have a Facebook page or email <u>nlspspandc@gmail.com</u> for any questions and ideas.

Hope to meet you soon, P&C



We aim to support student learning and teaching staff through fundraising that provides extra school items and resources. P&Cs work very closely with the school, aiming to build a stronger school community where all children benefit.

As a P&C member, you can contribute to: positive student behaviours and learning, student dress code, sub-committees, school routines, budget and fundraising, school surveys and communication.

Do you have a spare morning when you can help out in the canteen? Can you find two hours once a month to attend a P&C meeting? These are all great ways to participate in the school community.



We would love new committee members. P&Cs need a wide range of people who are committed to delivering great outcomes for their children and school.

Meetings are 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month: Our next meet will be Wednesday Feb 17<sup>th</sup>, 7pm Also, the **AGM will be Wednesday March 16<sup>th</sup>, 7pm** 

Please contact our Facebook page or email **nlspspandc@gmail.com** for any questions and ideas. P&C Exec: Lee, Leah, Sara, Peta & Anne

