



**MANLY VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL
Parents & Citizen Association**

**MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday 17th October 2023**

Principal	Tina Lee
President	
Vice President	Chris Nicholls
Vice President	John Gillings
Secretary	Xara Roznerski (absent)
Treasurer	Peter Weatherston

Attendance:

Andres Prada, John Gillings, Michelle Thomason, Helen McDonagh, Amy Hansen, Ali Malone, Chris Nicholls, Peter Weatherston, Tina Lee, Jane OOSH

Chair: Chris Nicholls

APOLOGIES

Xara, Becky

Minutes of the General Meeting held on 12/09/2023

Approval of Minutes Motioned: John Gillings Seconded: Tina Lee

Action Arising from Previous Meeting:

- Tina to research Online Guardians and organise with support from the P&C

Done, booked happening 24th Oct. Thank you P&C, there has been a lot of online bullying in the community and Tina is very grateful for the support to help protect the kids with the help of the parents.

- Peter to confirm that we have \$5000 to annually put towards School Science

Confirmed and going ahead.

- John to action Cafe Owl cleanup

Was booked but had to be rescheduled. Someone volunteered who was attending the meeting, sorry I didn't recognise the voice. Will re discuss at next P&C

- Tina to order umbrellas for Teacher's day. Present P&C members next meeting to sort attaching cards.

Umbrellas didn't come in time. Office staff kindly put their hand up to attach the cards, thank you so much!

- Skye to confirm numbers for the neurodiverse Q&A night to be confirmed to Tina

Was requested to be pushed through coordinators on top of the newsletter. Thank you!

- Chris to get more information for the carols.

Carols are a go! 2nd of Dec :) Chris has spoken to the band, there will be a sausage sizzle, photo booth. Gates open at 5:30pm and carols start at 6:30. No alcohol event. Church will pay for things, everything will be "free", there will be a QR code for donations... church will donate everything over the costs back to the p&c. Amazing! Thanks Chris. Church will take care of volunteers and has insurance. Chris going to coordinate with Tina for logistics. Long conversation about insurance, school will be doubly covering. All in the recording if anyone wants details.

Correspondence In and Out: N/A

MEMBERSHIP: Andres Prada, Michelle Thomason

REPORTS:

OSHC: (verbal)

760 children for Vacation Care! The numbers are picking up which is great. Term 4 has started to chill out as usual. OOSH had a football academy last term for the older kids and art for the younger ones. We try to offer these things to add extra value for parents who are working and aren't as able to access after school activities for their kids. Reverse Advent Calendar is our event for the term. It was amazing last term and we donated everything to One Meal. They were blown away by our community so thank you for last year.. Let's have another great year! We have increased our numbers for 2024, thanks to Tina for access to more space! Waitlists are kept to an absolute minimum which is heartening for kindy parents especially.

Principal:

P&C Meeting Term 4 2023

Bushfire season

We are now in the Bushfire season. Today we practiced our evacuation drill for our "Early Release procedures." We will be evacuating the school if the "Hazards near me" app shows "Watch and Alert" or if the Rural Bushfire Service tells us to go. The early release procedures have been put in place as a precaution as we have no safe place to evacuate to if there is a bushfire threat nearby. The Early release [procedures give us the opportunity to send the students home prior to an immediate threat. Evacuation drills do end up at Millers reserve otherwise, but these will only be used in absolute emergencies. All parents have given emergency contacts if they are not able to collect their children when this alert goes out.

Kindergarten Orientation- 2024

Highly successful morning this week. 82 enrolments so we will be forming 4 classes next year. The P&C night is a wine and cheese night in the hall. P&C provides beer, wine, cheese, and soft drinks and hosts the evening. It is on Wednesday 8 November from 6pm-8pm. (Week 5) Who will be organizing this?

Discussion in the recording about who will organise the alcohol and cheese (Karen, God Bless Karen) We had some volunteers for helping out and also Michelle Thomason has kindly put her hand up to be the relatable outgoing Kindy Parent who has volunteered all over the school and got a lot out of it. Chris is also going to attend to represent P&C executive team. Other helpers are myself, Holly and Amy. Thank you!

Kindy picnic day is on Wednesday 22 November 10-12 (week 7) at Manly Dam.

Neurodiverse evening- Monday 23 October 7pm

This will take place in the school hall. Look forward to hearing from Rachel Van Eldrick

<https://www.familypsychology.com.au>) on supporting our neurodiverse students- ADHD and Autism.
All parents are welcome to attend the session.

Online Guardians- Tuesday 24 October 6.30pm

Another parent workshop is our Online Guardians. This workshop assists parents to protect their children from online misuse. Highly recommended for all parents. Years 3-6 will be attending the workshops during the day.

Art show 2023- Week 5

Monday 6 November will be the start of our afternoon showcase of artworks from our students in the hall. Work will be on display most afternoons that week (except Tuesday) for parents to come up and have a look at.

Gym Term 4

We have a new gym program we are trying for this term. Love to get some feedback from the parents and students as to what they think. All very positive from the school's point of view so far.

Tell Them From Me Survey- Parent feedback

Parent survey closes Friday 3 November. Please complete the survey as we do take notice of the results.

Reports

Home on Wednesday 13 December

We have rewritten and designed the K-2 reports this year based on feedback from parents and teachers. We hope you will find them more reader friendly. We will be asking for feedback on these reports.

Staff Christmas Party contribution

Does the P&C want to make a contribution to the staff Christmas party or provide a lunch at the end of the year? Let me know. (*sorted and agreed in Treasurer Discussion*)

World Teacher's Day- Friday 27 October (week 3)

Umbrellas have been ordered. We have made the cards from the P&C. Does anyone want to write for the newsletter or present the umbrellas at the assembly that Friday.

Carols night- Saturday 2 December

Is it happening? Need to make a community user agreement with the church. No alcohol permitted on this night as students are present. Is there to be band involvements and choir? This could be a joint event with P&C and Community. (*sorted and discussed in old business*)

Dates for the end of term:

Celebration of Learning (Stage 1, 2 and 3)- Wednesday 6 December

Kindergarten graduation- Friday 8 December

Year 6 Graduation- Monday 11 December

Year 6 dinner- Tuesday 12 December

Reports go home- email- Wednesday 13 December

Picnic days

Thursday 7 Dec- Stage 2

Wednesday 13 December – Stage 1

Thursday 14 December- Stage 3 and ES1

President:

Position empty

Treasurer: (half verbal half emailed)

Peter told the P&C that we have done a fabulous job of raising money this year. Tina asked P&C if there was a chance P&C could fund a portion of learning support next year as we are losing some budget. Tina to do up a mock up for P&C to go over. We could also put into the tech budget for the expiring devices. Tina is going to look into whether or not P&C has reimbursed school for decodable readers. Held over to next meeting. Reconfirmed Staff Christmas Party amount \$800.

Treasurers report Oct 23

Fundraising increased from \$47k last year to over \$80k this year - increase of over 75%
Café owl has raised 17k this year so far - perhaps an additional \$20k per year
We have only spent \$21k this year
We have other approved expenditure that we haven't paid yet of \$61k
In addition, we now have \$82k available to be spent this year, or likely we are rolling this over to next year
We need to agree on how we spend our money this year and next year- were not spending it

Manly Vale Public School P&C Inc. Treasurers Report 16-Oct-23

Total in bank account		239,513
Excluding Band a/c (separate)		194,155
Approved expenditure		(61,300)
Uniform shop storage est.	(3,000)	
Band instruments (2023 donation from P&C)	(5,000)	
Band instruments (Remaining 2022 donation from P&C)	(1,000)	
Contribution to computer fund	(50,000)	
Online workshop	(2,300)	
Net of approved expenditure		132,855
Historic target float/balance (prudent)		50,000
Available to spend		82,855
Plus: estimate of funds still to be raised this year		-
Total available to spend this year		82,855
Summary of disbursements – 2023		
Athletic singlets	(2,305)	
Painting Handball Courts	(2,000)	
Oval Maintenance 2023	(3,600)	
3 x charging cabinets	(10,184)	
2023 hospitality	(800)	
Café Owl Paint	(500)	
K-2 Playground equipment	(2,000)	
	(21,389)	
Summary of 2023 fundraising (net of costs)		
Athletics carnival	2,045	
Father's Day	3,810	
Mother's Day	9,521	
Taco Tuesday	2,830	
Trivia night	31,843	
Skipathon / spellathon	32,584	
	82,633	
Summary of 2022 fundraising (net of costs)	46,777	

Canteen: (absent)

Nothing to report for Canteen

Uniform Shop: (verbal)

Kid's did a fashion parade at Orientation which was very fun! There's been a hiccup with our supplier's profile.. Wendie has contacted them to find out what's going on and it sounds like they've changed their processes which means that the polos and dresses are delayed but SHOULD be here by the end of Nov and that it won't happen again. Stock on hand is up as usual

in term 4. Local lady has approached Wendie to supply ribbons for school or sports. P&C voted not to bring them into the uniform shop. Wendie has asked to attach a shelf to one of the walls.

Band: (absent, Tina jumped in)

Band are having a great year! They're getting around to using the P&C funds to buy instruments.

Cafe Owl: (absent)

No report

Class Coordinator Update:

Trivia Night was a huge success, raising just over \$31,000 for the school.

The event ran smoothly without a hitch, and everyone had a fun night. It's a great fundraiser plus great social get together for parents.

There was an amazing Trivia Committee, lead by Kate Williams, Dani Lombard, Sarah Garland & Lu Cobavie-Waters. This event is huge, the amount of work leading up to the event is enormous and then on the night itself it continues. And even now it still continues with tying up loose ends.

These 4 women led a great committee who pulled off an amazing night. On behalf of the P&C I wanted to say a big THANK YOU to the incredible Trivia Committee. Your work is appreciated.

Thank you also to Tina for your help on the night and also the school office for their wonderful support assisting with storing & redemption of prizes after the event.

Neurodiverse Parent Support Group: (absent)

Amy to push the info night through to coordinators

Other Business:

Spending Priorities:

- Confirmed \$800 for Staff Christmas Party
- Tina asking P&C for some help to keep the learning support team together as the school has lost some budget
- Amy to be sneaking squirrel \$200

Mtg closed at 8:10pm

Next Meeting

General Meeting: Tuesday 28th Nov 2023

Actions:

- Tina to follow up on shelf for Wendie
- Karen and Xara to sort Kindy Night and Peter to reimburse
- Chris and Tina to liaise about carols
- Peter to talk with Tina about potential reader reimbursement
- Peter to send the \$800 for Staff Party
- Amy to be sneaky squirrel

