



## President's End of Year Report 21<sup>st</sup> November 2022

Good evening, everyone.

Today is the last P&C meeting for this year and my last meeting at Melrose Park Public School.

I'd like to thank the school, especially Clare; the executive committee – Nina, Erika, Steph and Jess; and the general committee, particularly Lucinda, Katrina, Kylie, Carmen and Dev for their support and amazing team work. Thank you to all the volunteers through the year who have made 2022's return to community such a great success.

We had our Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls back this year, and we realised that we need to look at alternate ways of running stalls and the types of items on offer. Next year, the P&C will be trying something different.

We had tremendous success with the Election Day sausage sizzle. I will never forget the large crowds who were excited to have a democracy sausage again and Steph having to raid all the sausages and bread rolls in the 5km radius of the school. Clare's customer service skills at serving sausages are also to be commended, great at communication, however, needs to hand out the sausages instead of holding on to them.

I thank the team from the bottom of my heart for the success of our 77<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations, especially Nina and Steph for all their organisation when I was going through challenging times and then being away to Malaysia. You brought the community back to Melrose Park and there were so many happy faces, from toddlers to seniors who were once students at Melrose. Thank you everyone for all hard work that went into running the event.

I also thank the many families who supported the P&C by volunteering, supporting events and programs run throughout the year.

As the school grows, the P&C must evolve and meet the needs of the school community. This is where we need you, the school families, to come onboard and help us help your children. Every single thing you do, goes back to the school and to your child. The P&C's main function is to serve the needs of the school and its families. Without volunteers, the P&C cannot carry out its programs. And without these programs, your child will not receive its benefits. Amongst the initiatives the P&C helped fund this year, are a Learning and Support Teacher and a fulltime Student Learning Support Officer, new gazebos, new audio equipment for the school hall and the school disco. As you can see, these initiatives directly benefit your children.

To volunteer, please get in touch with the school or send an email to [president@mppspc.com](mailto:president@mppspc.com). Any help is greatly appreciated.

The P&C will continue to support the school and community with a strong balance in its books. The opening balance at 1/1/2022 was \$48,687.83 and the current balance as at today, 21/11/2022, is \$83,009.76.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone for the privilege of being your P&C President and the opportunity serve the school and community. It's with such a heavy heart that I acknowledge that our family's time at Melrose is coming to an end after 9 wonderful years. While we may no longer be in the school, we will always be part of the Melrose Park community and we're always ready to volunteer for any of the events the new committee organise for 2023 and beyond.

Thank you for a memorable 2022 and here's to a happy, inclusive and successful 2023.

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