## RAMSGATE PUBLIC SCHOOL

# P&C MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY 14<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Called to Order 7.10 pm

#### **Present**

Per Attendance Register

#### **Apologies**

Jacquie, Jess, Karen

#### **Minutes**

Previous minutes approved

## Correspondence

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## **Business arising from previous minutes**

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## **Principal's Report - Lorraine Simmiss-Taylor**

- Welcome back especially on Valentines Day
- P and C AGM will be next month
- 590 enrolments with 24 classes
  - new demountable to be used for K-2
  - well furbished with a wet area
- Meet the Teacher night last Monday
  - many parents submitted contact details
  - need a class parent co-ordinator to replace Karen
  - Roula volunteers many thanks
- New learning spaces are now in H block
  - thanks to the P and C for sponsoring this. Teachers and students thrilled to bits
- Team teaching and flexible learning spaces in the year 3 area
- School photos 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> March
  - sibling photos to be done before school with parents assisting
- Grandparents Day Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March
- Easter Hat Parade 5<sup>th</sup> April
- Welcome Picnic 17<sup>th</sup> March
- New teachers welcome
  - Phoebe Wright
  - Dione Cullen
  - Angelo Fournaris
  - Denise Willing
  - Lisa Warner new school counsellor
  - Belinda Aston learning assistance teacher
  - looking for permanent K-6 teacher
  - Maria Michaels is moving to Sans Souci, she will be sorely missed. Best of luck for the future

- Gaynor Long has moved to Engadine
- Joy Hewitt will be retiring after 40 years of service

#### **Deputy's Report – Pablo Fernandez**

- High School Parents night held and was very well attended
  - Mr McFee talked to new parents regarding the band, 27 new band members
- Mindfulness in Action
  - Lisa Warner has particular expertise and enthusiasm in this area
  - Beginning with K2 in term 1 followed by the rest of the school through the year
  - Mindful Parenting is highly recommended by Lisa and will be doing some workshops for parents. Pablo will put the document onto the website
- Thanks to Haley as we will be using the OOSH buildings particularly on Fridays
- IXL has replaced Study Ladder as the online homework portal. IXL has a much more sophisticated process of tailoring work to the students. The level of instruction of where errors are occurring is superior with great engagement of kids who are struggling with maths
- Scripture lessons starts today
  - demographic of school has changed
  - Islamic scripture has now started
  - Islamic Charities Association specifically formed to counter some of the more radical interpretations/issues
- Council has distributed road safety document
  - timely reminder to parents to respect the road signs and the safety of all our children
- Dogs are not permitted on the school grounds

## **Presidents Report – Belinda Shepherd**

- Welcome Disco for new parents
  - Aileen to co-ordinate DJ
  - proposed to do a movie night
  - roughly \$10 per child
  - movie might be better in winter months
- Today is a an opportunity for new parents to the school to become financial members so they can vote in the AGM which will be next meeting March
- Amber Breeze has become a financial member
- Google Drive now set up for P and C with important dates and information is up there. This is to ensure a smooth transition to successive committees
- Change in the swimming carnival format
  - some parents and kids were not happy
  - no 25m races
  - kids entered 50m race and got out at the 25m
  - last year was only kids who could swim 50m
  - this year we combined carnival and zone selection. 2015 was a

transition year where the carnival and zone selection were held separately

- Historical photos
  - Grandparent has volunteered to digitally archive
- Karen and Jessica have left the school

#### **Treasurers Report – Linda**

- Cazy Camel \$2111.00
- 5c Friday \$1878.00 profit
- Deceber/Jan P and Ls tabled
- Loss of \$4136.00
  - cost of school bags and hats a large outgoing little income for Jan so normal for this time of year
- Closing balance \$31,593.69 as at 31/1/2017

#### **Canteen Report - Jessica**

Natasha Watkins has volunteered to become Canteen bookkeeper.
 Many thanks for the support

#### **General Business**

- Claudines are getting lots of Ramsgate parents through
  - long sleeve polos are ok

Meeting closed 8:40 pm

Next P&C Meeting – 7.30 pm, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2017 AGM Meeting – 7.00 pm, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2017