

Parent & Friends Association 2019

The start of 2019 was a year that gave us a 'light at the end of the tunnel'. Our new \$7.8 million learning spaces and stadium was completed at the end of August. Our children are now enjoying their beautiful new learning spaces that will give them every opportunity to enhance their learning experiences. At the start of 2019, like any build, it came with 3 terms of disruption and logistical problems that saw a few of our events either out sourced or cancelled. However Term 4 we were back up and running and our first event in the brand new stadium was the Father's Day Breakfast. 440 breakfasts were served from our new canteen and the Dads enjoyed eating their egg and bacon rolls in the new stadium. It was great success and captured SEPS wonderful community spirit.

The Sandringham East Primary School Parents and Friends Association (PFA) is an extended group of parents involved with the school and its programs. The PFA is the connection between the parents and the school community including teachers, parents and School Council.

We encourage anyone to become involved in the PFA. Our meetings are once a month, and involve catching up with what is going on within the school and working out where extra assistance is needed. Laureen Walton, Principal and Russell Watson, Assistant Principal, attend each meeting and

take the time to inform the PFA about what is going on within the school.

Regular Programs

Class Parent Reps

Our class reps have yet again done a wonderful job throughout 2019. They have been the communicators to our school community as well as organising and co-ordinating such events as dinners, morning teas, teachers' birthdays, classroom help, assistance on excursions, Mother's/Father's Day Stall helpers, Hunger Busters, just to name a few!!! Thank you to all our class reps, you have all done a fantastic job and are a vital part of our school community.

The Cook and Care Program

This confidential service offers a helping hand with meals, rides to school etc. for school families in need. In 2019 program only needed to provide 2 meals for families in need and Michelle also put together 6 Christmas food hampers. This is a wonderful program and reassuring to know we can help our community in times of need. Thank you to Michelle Ferguson for taking this job on for another year in 2019.

The Head Lice Program

Thank you to Susan Savage who took on the leadership of our Head Lice Program for 2019. Together with a team of parents, Mel Harrison, Sarah Murray, Deb Sinclair, Emily Ramsden, Gladys Menara, Siobhan Boyle and Maikiko Vagas, they did a great job ensuring kids were regularly checked.

Book Club and Entertainment Books

2019 year Book Club was coordinated by Jennie Burrows. She has done a great job, earning commission from sales of books and other education resources to students. This program also provided our school library & classrooms with many books.

Entertainment Books has been run for the 2nd year by Sophia Ali. In 2019/20 we sold 27 books making \$376 for the school. The entertainment books are no longer purchased physically, only available digitally. All books have a 12 month validation from time of purchase. Numbers are down from previous year as many more forums are selling the books (Basketball clubs, footy clubs etc). Thank you Sophia for taking on this role.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

Thank you to Sophia Ali and Megan Drew for running the second hand uniform shop which opens the 1st Monday of every month. Due to the build the shop was moved to the outside container and this is now a permanent location for the shop.

School Banking

Thank you to Emma Adams and Nick James for supporting this service. Due to diminishing numbers, which may have been a result of the Royal Commission into Banking. At the end of 2019, it was decided by School Council that we will no longer support the school banking through Commonwealth Bank. We are currently looking at alternative local community bank initiatives.

Mothers Day/Fathers Day Stalls

Thank you to Mel Harrison and Emily Ramsden for coordinating these stalls, doing all the purchasing and sourcing the volunteers. Mel and Emily with their volunteers have been instrumental in providing this fun opportunity for children to purchase a special gift for their parents.

Specific Events

Normally every year each year level is given an event to coordinate for the year. However as previously mentioned, a few of our annual events were either outsourced or cancelled due to building work. The following events were run throughout the year with the assistance of our dedicated team of PFA volunteers.

SANDRINGHAM EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL 2019 Parent Community Support Events

Term 1 30th Jan – 5th March

ACTIVITY	DATE	SUPPORTED BY	OWNER
Whole School Welcome Morning Tea	Thursday 31 st January	Level 1 Parents	PFA
House Swimming Carnival	Wednesday 20 th February	Level 4, 5 & 6 Parents	School
Working Bee – Level 6	Sunday 17 th February	Level 6 Parents	School
Walkathon	Thursday 14 th March	All Parents	Fundraising
JSC Fundraiser – Funky Hair Day for Leukaemia Foundation (Special Lunch/Snack TBC)	Tuesday 26 th March	Level 2 Parents	JSC (PFA Assistance)
Working Bee – Level 5	Sunday 24 th March	Level 5 Parents	School
Easter Lucky Ticket	Friday 5 th April	Level 3 Parents	PFA

ACTIVITY	DATE	SUPPORTED BY	OWNER
Hunger Buster	Friday 8th February	5/6A	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 22 nd February	4A	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 15 th March	4B	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 29 rd March	4C	PFA

Term2 23rd April – 28th June

ACTIVITY	DATE	SUPPORTED BY	OWNER
Entertainment Books	On going	Fundraising Team	Fundraising
House Cross County Carnival	Tuesday 30 th April	Level 4,5,& 6 Parents	School
Curriculum Day – Xtreme Air Fundraiser	Friday 3 rd May	All Parents	PFA
Working Bee – Level 4	Sunday 28 th April	Level 4 Parents	School
Mother's Day Stall	Thursday 9 th May	All Parents	PFA
Mother's Day Breakfast (TBC)	Thursday 9th May	All Parents	PFA
Parent Function	Saturday 18 th May	All Parents	Fundraising
JSC Fundraiser – PJ Day for Sandringham Hospital	Tuesday 21 st May	n/a	JSC
Working Bee – Level 3	Sunday 2 nd June	Level 3 Parents	School
LOTE Day (Sushi Lunch)	TBA	Foundation Parents	School (PFA Assistance)

ACTIVITY	DATE	SUPPORTED BY	OWNER
Hunger Buster	Friday 10 th May	5/6B	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 17 th May	5/6C	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 24 th May	5/6D	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 7 th June	5/6E	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 14 th June	3A	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 21 st June	3B	PFA

Term 3 15th July – 20th Sept

ACTIVITY	DATE	SUPPORTED BY	OWNER
100 Days Party	TBA	Foundation Parents	School
Working Bee - Level 2	Sunday 11 th August	Level 2 Parents	School
House Athletics Carnival	Tuesday 13 th August	Level 4,5,& 6 Parents	School
Father's Day Stall	Thursday 29 th August	All Parents	PFA
Father's Day Breakfast	Thursday 29 th August	Level 4 Parents	PFA
Dad's Footy Match TBC	Saturday 31 st August	Dads	Community
Working Bee – Level 1	Sunday 8 th September	Level 1	School
JSC Fundraiser - Footy Colours	Thursday 19 th	Jo Canteen	JSC

Day for State Schools Relief (Pies & Sausage Roll Lunch)	September		(PFA Assistance)
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ACTIVITY	DATE	SUPPORTED BY	OWNER
Hunger Buster	Friday 26 th July	3C	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 2 nd August	2A	PFA
Hunger Buster	Thursday 8 th August	1B	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 16 th August	1C	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 23 rd August	2D	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 30 th August	1A	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 6 th September	2B	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 13 th September	2C	PFA

Term 4 7th October – 20th December

ACTIVITY	DATE	SUPPORTED BY	OWNER
World Teachers Day Morning Tea	Wednesday 9 th October	PFA	PFA
Pink Ribbon Event	TBA	Pink Ribbon Team	Community
Special Friends Day & Book Fair	Friday 11 th October	Level 6??	School (PFA Assistance)
Working Bee – Foundation	Sunday 13 th October	Foundation	School
Father & Child Camp	18 th – 20 st October	Dads	Community
Working Bee – Whole School	Sunday 10 th November	Whole School	School
New Building - Grand Opening	Tuesday 12 th November	School	School
Seaside Fair	Saturday 23 rd November	All Parents	Fundraising
Foundation 2019 Afternoon Tea	TBA	Foundation Parents	School
Market Day	Thursday 28 th November	Level 6 Parents	School
JSC Fundraiser – Fitness Day for Diabetes	Tuesday 3 rd December	n/a	JSC
PFA Xmas Dinner	Thursday 12 th December	PFA	PFA
Graduation Dinner	Monday 16 th December	Level 5 Parents	School
Christmas Carols (Canteen Sales)	Thursday 19 th December	All Parents	School (PFA Assistance)

ACTIVITY	DATE	SUPPORTED BY	OWNER
Hunger Buster	Friday 2 ^{5th} October	1D	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 1 st November	00A	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 8 th November	00B	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 15 th November	00C	PFA
Hunger Buster (rescheduled)	Friday 29 th November	3B	PFA
Hunger Buster	Friday 6 th December	00D	PFA

Parent Run Social Events

Community events and other parent rep organized social events outside of the school grounds were required to carry the following disclaimer at the bottom of any communication related to them:

Please note that this event has been organised by the parent community and is not associated with SEPS, it's Principal, Assistant Principal or its School Council.

Additional to these events, each year level was also awarded one Working Bee and each class rep coordinated a Hunger Buster for their home group.

Again, this year the Hunger Buster proceeds have been donated to our two Sister Schools in the Philippines. This year we have raised \$3479.60. Thank you to all those that baked, bought and sold.

My role as President is made much easier by all the members of the PFA that support and encourage me. We cannot provide these events without the help of so many people.

In particular I would like to acknowledge and say a huge THANK YOU to Michelle Kuzman Vice President. Michelle has an amazingly positive attitude and is always willing to help me out at any time. She is a calming influence when I am in panic mode and provides me with continuous reassurance

and encouragement. Thank you for the support you have given me this year.

Secondly to our Secretary, Yolande Van Niekerk, for taking on this job for another year. Yolande provided comprehensive minutes for every meeting and had them ready quickly and without a fuss.

I'd also like to thank Simone Smith and Angie Derrick, who have headed up our fundraising team. This year Simone has taken on the role of the 2019 fete coordinator and Angie has been general fundraising coordinator. This year was an enormous year for the fundraising team with their incredible seaside fair. It was truly a remarkable day. The professionalism and perfection to detail was extraordinary. The whole team went above and beyond to provide a day for our school community to remember. I was very proud to be a part of that success. Well done on another amazing year of fundraising. Together with all the fundraising events and PFA events we have raised over \$67,742 (including \$36,382 from seaside fair) for our school. Truly amazing!

I sincerely appreciate the support of Laureen Walton and Russell Watson, Wendy Franks, Leanne Matthews and Cath Champion and all the teaching staff. Your support, generosity and continued commitment to the students and community of Sandringham East Primary School is truly appreciated.

This has been my 3rd year of President of the Sandringham

East Primary School Parents and Friends Association. The PFA cannot work without our wonderful volunteer Parent Reps. It continually relies on the support of our caring parent community who give themselves and their time to help ensure our children's primary school journey is a rewarding one. We have an amazing community, one we should be very proud of.

I would like to thank each and every member of the PFA for their support and commitment to our school and to me. Without you, nothing would happen.

Thank you

Lisa Homes - **PFA President 2019**