



Lake Cathie

Public School

Parents and Citizens

MEETING DETAILS	
Purpose	P & C Meeting
Date and Time	Tuesday 5 May 2020
Location	Lake Cathie Public School – Library
Attendance	<p>Meeting was not undertaken due to Covid-19 restrictions. All reports were submitted by email.</p> <p><i>Minutes: Linda Barnett</i></p>
ITEMS	ACTION
Minutes of previous meeting reviewed	<p>Minutes accepted – deferred until next meeting</p> <p>Seconded – deferred until next meeting</p>
President's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome to term 3 and what a different way of life. I hope all our families of Lake Cathie Public School have survived these testing times of working from home, home schooling and self isolation. On behalf of the P&C and I'm sure our families, I would like to thank LCPS staff for the incredible effort in getting online learning up and running, to hand delivering work packs for families. Talk about above and beyond, and it is very much appreciated. • Thank you to all families who were a part of our online shopping with the mothers' day stall. I was amazed at the sales of \$855, what a great effort given the current situation. I thought this worked well for our busy families. What a great way so no one misses out. It also alleviates having to handle a lot of cash by our volunteers. Maybe we can look into this becoming a regular

	<p>thing and without Covid-19 we will have a few more helpers involved, just a thought.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● It has been pretty quiet with other things. At this meeting I was going to talk about fundraising ideas, but this does not seem valid at this current time. ● I have looked into a Facebook page and I think making a new person is the way to go but will talk this over with Jock and the team. ● Thank you again for the efforts in keeping our school a clean safe place for students to return too.
<p>Treasurer's Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Account Balances as of 13 May 2020 @ 6pm ● Canteen \$1276.56 Main \$1417.57 Savings \$2358.09 Total \$5052.22 ● Payments Mothers' day gifts \$1012.44 ● We have worked with our accountant to get the Job Keeper for our employee. We have had to pay out the \$1500 per fortnight to keep us eligible and we are expecting our first reimbursement from the ATO this week.
<p>Principal's Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Can I start by passing on my sincere gratitude to students, parents and staff for the way the positive messages of learning and wellbeing are being encouraged and promoted across the school as we continue through this extreme chapter in our lives. ● Commitment from parents to support Government Health directives has seen smaller numbers of students at school for the last 3-4 weeks of term 1 and at the beginning of term 2. During this week, the beginning of "Phase 1" of reconnecting with school and friends, we have seen around 170 students on site each day. ● Our amazing staff created an online platform very quickly considering the learning and wellbeing needs of our students and their families. Their dedication to a continuity of learning has seen a new direction in teaching and learning pedagogy. This is and has been part of our School Plan and sets us up strategically for our new learning environments that are being built as we speak. The way teachers and students are leveraging technology to support learning, communication and connection is amazing to witness. ● We await direction from Education and Health as to when we will invite all students back full time and will communicate this to parents as soon as advice is available. We are also awaiting instruction in relation to our Mid-Year Reporting to Parents process. With a significant change to regular learning routines, the Department of Education will advise us shortly of our requirements in this area. ● Can I encourage families to continue focusing on individual and family wellbeing. Remember to get out of the house for some exercise together, perhaps growing something in the garden, or even just in a pot. The idea of nurturing each other can come from watching something grow, looking after it, tending it, watering and being proud of its growth. ● Our building upgrade is progressing very well with AWEwards slightly ahead of schedule making good use of this great autumn weather. The next 4 weeks should see all slabs down in all three buildings, wall frames and roof structures going up. Block G, our two storey building, will have ground and first floor slabs and all steel structure in place too. Then for the huge fit-out!! ● Enormous thanks to Roger Bussell for organising the JobKeeper package for the P&C to support its paid employee. A big job and very timely. ● Rachel Caller and I will continue to work through the arrangements for moving towards a school operated canteen to reduce the burden on the P&C, especially the Treasurer. Part of the process will involve us looking at options for the appropriate award and payment structure for the canteen supervisor so that it can be adopted in a longterm capacity. A long service entitlement may need to be calculated and paid from the P&C as the Department won't recognise service from outside its own organisation.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● It was great to hear so many comments of thanks for the inclusion of the P&C Mothers' Day stall in operation during this crisis. Kylie Whiting, Bec Bouldin, Sarah Jones and Roger Bussell providing invaluable leadership of this super online and pickup store for our mothers. Thank you so much. ● We look towards the future, among all of this change, concern, and despair for many families, both for lives lost and massive financial concerns across the community. We will continue working hard to provide stability for families and the community and a positive way forward for our students in their learning journeys.
Canteen Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Report not submitted.
Fundraising Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Report not submitted
General Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No general business items were raised.
Upcoming Meetings:	Next Meeting: <i>Tuesday 9 June</i>