

Principal's Report 16 August 2024.

1. Staff

Mr Steve: Crossing Supervisor has resigned. He is moving into a new career pathway in the corporate field.

Mr Abdul Nabhan: Canteen business operator: Tasty Delight Canteens.

2. School Goals and Priorities:

• Engaged Community of learners: STEAM and ICT program has been established.

Classes K-6 have an opportunity to experience a program that supports and develops critical and creative thinking 21st Century learning.

Opportunities for students' enrichment and activated engagement.

The school will continue to grow the program into extra-curricular opportunities and lunch clubs.

• School Attendance: Attendance rate of 90% of the time or more is currently at 70.62%

This is an uplift of 18.82% from a previous period comparison.

In the last year, school has structured attendance procedures to ensure they are promoting the department's priorities.

With the move to School Bytes, school can instantly send out absence notification.

Attendance follow up procedures have been streamlined. Teacher role and responsibility, AP and principal procedures are essential in achieving quality outcomes for students.

Learning and Support Team fortnightly attendance focus.

Additional school programs have contributed to fostering regular school attendance and supporting wellbeing (Breakfast Club, Social development program, Playground School Values rewards, SLSO engagement program).

The school will continue to support improved school attendance by re-engaging students with learning and continuing to provide a positive welcoming school culture for all students.

These goals and future directions will support key aspects of the School Plan for 2025.

Feedback from external validation process will contribute to overall development of school plan.

3. Transitions to school

School has connected with local preschool and early childhood services.

Transition to school workshops are delivered to families seeking enrolment for 2025. Mrs Ibrahim and Mrs Lennon support community engagement with early childhood.

Narwee Preschool and Good Start will visit the school with school aged students to support the work of early childhood services in 'Getting children Ready for Big School' program.

Current enrolment for 2025: 24 students and growing (Target 40 students)

Building Positive Relationships within the school community:

- Effective communication and collaboration with parents and carers are key to developing positive partnerships and learning experiences for students.
- Community concerns are addressed in a confidential and sensitive manner.
- Parents and Citizens (P&C) Associations are vital not-for-profit organisations supporting public schools in New South Wales.

- Our parents and citizens should stand out in a school community, working in collaboration and cooperation *to assist* the school and *promote* the interests of the *entire* school community.
- Respect, trust and confidentiality should be maintained by all members.

The Role of the P&C in the joint development of Building Productive Partnerships document:

- Promote the interest of the school by bringing citizens and parents in close cooperation
- To assist in providing facilities and equipment for the school

Important that schools, communities and parents can cooperate to work in the best interest of students. Clear communication processes have been sent out to families where clarity and concerns can be addressed. It is important that school communities work together to build strong collaborative partnerships.

4. Recognition of outgoing P&C

- Thank you to the outgoing P&C committee for the contribution to support opportunities and outcomes of students. (Camp Subsidy \$50 per student- Swim school program \$40 per student)
- Thanks on behalf of the school community for supporting the delivery of a valuable program Breakfast Club:

P&C have supported the funds to run a weekly Breakfast program. Parent volunteers have also supported the operation of this program on Mondays. *The Breakfast club has supported and contributed to improved attendance and wellbeing of students.*

- Thank you to all P&C supports involved in working closely with the school to compliment events (raffles for Mother's Day and Father's Day and supporting the BBQ lunch on Multicultural Day).
- Many thanks and on behalf of the staff, students and school community, we look forward to continued collaborations.

Reflections and evaluations

Plans to refine and strengthen P&C body in the school:

- Create a foundation between the P&C and the school- develop a shared understanding of roles and responsibilities
- Agreement to work together respectfully and collaboratively- focusing on supporting outcomes for all students
- Drawing in a broader opportunity for parents to engage in the school and involvement is supported and enriched.
- Develop clearers process between the principal and P&C associations to support engagement and resolve conflicts if needed

(Together in Partnerships 2023-2033)

5. Process of Returning Officers

6. Coming Events

Fathers Day Breakfast Thursday 29 August

Combined Public School Music Festival September 4 at 6pm Bankstown Sports Club

Narwee Special Olympic Games: Thursday 26 September (In School program)

The NSW Department of Education and the Federation of Parents and Citizens Associations of New South Wales (the P&C Federation) are developing an agreement that builds on our strong working relationship.

- support strong collaboration between schools, P&C Associations and their communities.
- help parents and carers engage with and be partners in their child's education.

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