

# **ERSKINEVILLE PS PARENTS & CITIZENS (P&C) ASSOCIATION NEWS**

## **UPCOMING P&C MEETINGS**

Upcoming meeting and notice of AGM:

**Wednesday 22 May** (Week 4, Term 2) in the school library. This meeting includes the 2024 AGM and our regular May meeting.

As part of the AGM, we will be voting to elect our P&C Executive for 2024. Find out more about joining the Executive by emailing is at <a href="mailto:erkopandc@gmail.com">erkopandc@gmail.com</a> or here: <a href="https://erkopandc.bigcartel.com/p-c-executive-nomination">https://erkopandc.bigcartel.com/p-c-executive-nomination</a>

# PLAYGROUND & GARDEN WORKING BEE

#### **NEW DATE:**

#### Sun 7 April (end of Week 10)

We had to postpone our original date due to wet weather, but we'll be going ahead on Sunday 7 April.

Our working bees are a fun and easy way for all families to contribute to our kids' school! There are lots of different projects for all abilities, including indoor tasks. No special skills required, and lunch is provided.

Kids are welcome (if accompanied by an adult) and always have a fun time making new friends and helping at their school.

We'll be prepping our citrus grove ready for winter, repairing the playground chalkboards, and helping prep the ball run for repair.

Register here if you can attend anytime from 10:00am: https://volunteersignup.org/KQCAK



### PRE-LOVED UNIFORM CO-OP

Friday 10 May (Week 2, Term 2) 7:45-9:00am in the Courtyard outside the office.

Pick up a few extra uniform essentials:

- Pickles branded t-shirts, shorts, skorts, pants - \$7
- Pickles branded jumpers, vests \$10
- Band shirts \$7
- Hats \$2
- Unbranded items FREE!

## Card/eftpos only (no cash please).

If you have uniform items to donate, please drop them at the office by Thursday 9 May.

If you'd like to help sort and sell uniforms at the co-op, please contact Lauren on 0413 254 564.

### STAY IN TOUCH ...

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# THANK YOU FOR MAKING GREAT THINGS POSSIBLE

Earlier this month we acknowledged P&C Day, with the theme of "P&Cs make it possible".

Here's just some of the things made possible for all our Erko kids, thanks to ALL the parents and carers who have contributed to P&C events and activities over the past year:

- Extra resources for every classroom, in every stage, as and when needed by teachers
- Additional learning support time and resources
- More laptops and iPads (with cases, chargers and software) to increase kids' access to digital learning
- Playground equipment, outdoor furniture and landscaping and the beautiful edible garden
- Flexible funding to provide extra-curricular activities like public speaking, performing arts, excursions and incursions
- information and training sessions for parents, carers and teachers, in cyber safety, child personal development, and student wellbeing
- Equity funding to support kids and families who need it

... and of course, all the fun and fabulous events that bring our school community together.

THANK YOU to everyone who has contributed to our school by contributing to our P&C.

## **P&C ADVOCACY**

As Erko parents and carers, advocacy is another way we can contribute and collectively support our students.

At our March meeting, P&C members voted to endorse and support the P&C Federation NSW campaign for 100% funding for 100% of schools, calling on governments to fully fund all schools to 100% of the School Resource Standard (currently only 2% of schools receive the full allocation).

Learn more about this state-wide campaign for full funding and sign the petition

https://www.pandc.org.au/full-funding-matters



Members also voted to support improved student and community safety, by endorsing and writing letters in support of:

- A comprehensive review of traffic and parking conditions in the streets around Erskineville Public School to improve the safety of children, families and other community members use the footpaths, cycleways, roads and crossings around and leading to the school.
- Ramp access from Malcolm Street to ensure safe entry to the school for students, families and community members using bikes, strollers and mobility aids – currently the only level access is via the carpark which is unsafe.

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