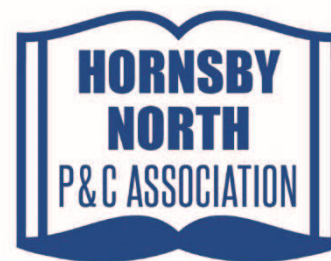


HORNSBY NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL

P & C ASSOCIATION FEB UPDATE

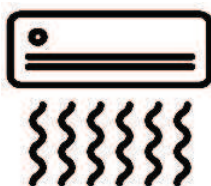


Thank You

to those of you who attended our first P&C meeting for 2020 held on Monday 17 February. We had a great attendance of parents with one of our largest meetings and it was great to welcome so many new parents to the school.

If you couldn't make the meeting, here's some of the issues we covered:

- Who we are: we're all volunteers trying to do our best for our school;
- What we do: we operate key businesses for the school – our Canteen, Uniform Shop and Band Program. We run them as efficient businesses and they raise funds to cover costs and buy resources for the school. We also support school banking and school engagement activities;
- Our plans for the year – the Community Fair and other fundraising activities
- How we spend our money: We agreed to provide funds (\$20 000) to support the set-up of two new demountable classrooms that are ready for use. Our funds will go to providing smart board, computers and other associated technology that is needed for these new classrooms.



OUR AIR CONDITIONED SCHOOL - this meeting was a chance to celebrate the success of more than five years of dedicated fundraising and lobbying – all of our classrooms are now air-conditioned and our hall now has massive fans. Thanks to so many volunteers who worked hard over many years to deliver this great outcome.

The meeting provided an opportunity to talk about current issues that are causing concern. Here's an update on the Coronavirus and over the page you'll see more information about traffic management.

CORONAVIRUS – we're very pleased that 25 HNPS families who had travelled to mainland China kept their children home as part of the voluntary quarantine period recommended by the Department of Education. We all want our children to be safe and we're pleased that all of our families have followed this advice. If you have concerns, please make an appointment to see the Principal, Mrs Sumpton.

WELCOME MORNING TEA

Coming up on Thursday 27 February, at 9:15am is our Welcome Morning Tea for Kindergarten and New Families. We warmly welcome new families to the school to join us for an informal morning tea.

Thanks to Pip Thurbon for her fabulous work in organising this event and to Carly Hinchey for her gorgeous graphics.



STAY IN TOUCH

After each P & C Meeting, we'll be issuing one of these regular updates to let you know what was discussed, what's coming up and how you can be involved. We urge all our school families to ensure you have access to the Skoolbag App and the school newsletter for the latest information.

We have a dedicated P & C Facebook site –

<https://www.facebook.com/HornsbyNorthPublicSchoolPC/>

If you have a direct concern email us at hornsbynorthpandcpresident@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE - JOIN US FOR THE NEXT P & C MEETING - MONDAY 16 MARCH 2020, at 7:30PM



TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT & ROAD SAFETY –

We have a school that keeps growing and we have new parents unfamiliar with the school drop off sites.

We want to re-iterate the message from the P & C Meeting: child safety and traffic management is our top priority and we will continue to work with the school, Council, law enforcement and the Department of Education to find new solutions that will support the school, ensure safe access for local residents and the safety of our children.

As you can appreciate, this is complex and something that will take time to get right, but everyone needs to be aware of the current rules that operate around our school (these rules are from Hornsby Shire Council):



IDA STREET ENTRANCE

This is a **NO STOPPING ZONE** – the turning circle at the main entrance of the school is **NOT A KISS AND DROP**.

It is illegal to stop your car in this turning circle – the PENALTY is in excess of \$344 and 2 DEMERIT POINTS.

Ida Street is a PARK AND WALK entrance – please park your car and walk your child into the school grounds.

DO NOT block driveways – PENALTY FOR DROPPING CHILDREN IN DRIVEWAYS is in excess of \$344 and 2 DEMERIT POINTS.



OLD BEROWRA ROAD & CAWTHORNE ST ENTRANCES - KISS AND DROP

These zones allow drivers to stop to pick up or drop off children with the following conditions:

- Maximum Stop time is **2 Minutes**
- Drivers must remain in or within 3 metres of the vehicle and it must not be unattended.

Be aware of the rules in school zones shown here – NO queue jumping in the kiss and drop queue, NO U-turns, NO 3 point turns.



Make sure children use the footpath side door when leaving the vehicle.



BUS ZONES

You must not stop or park in a BUS ZONE for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space) unless you are driving a bus.

The PENALTY is in excess of \$344 and 2 DEMERIT POINTS.

MORE INFO re RULES & PENALTIES?

<https://www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/community/facilities-and-venues/traffic/school-zones/resources>

We want a Safe School for our children, families and local residents. Let's work together to ensure everyone has safe access to the school. Join us and be part of the school community – come along to our **NEXT MEETING of the HNPS P & C Association** **MONDAY 16 MARCH 7:30PM**

