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CHAPEL HILL STATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Parents and Citizens Association

DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Details	26 February 2022	Carene Hogg Ian Burns Rebecca Kierle

Item	Notes
General	
Successes *Things going well*	**New addition to our committee for 2022, welcome Bec!** Existing team continuing from 2021, will maintain traction to improve digital comms Arranging independent reviews of our P&C website by new parents
Roadblocks *Things getting in the way*	School newsletter not getting out on a weekly timely basis like in previous years, Carene to follow up what's happening here with Senior Leadership team
Actions	
Decisions *Actions that have been implemented*	• No more separate P&C newsletter unless absolutely necessary – instead will update the CHSS school newsletter (P&C Patch) • Added Oriel Morrison to Facebook P&C page • Removed Matt Butcher from Facebook P&C page
Recommendations *Motions you want to raise*	• To reimburse Carene Hogg for $192 for annual subscription to Survey Monkey (purchased to enable new exec to gauge parent and community feedback)

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Parent survey response as at 4 March 2022 (34 responses)

1. Are there any physical improvements you would like to see at the school, to improve the children's learning environment.	• The grounds, buildings looking tired – repainting? General tidy up, maybe some interesting structures in the grounds • Seating and shade around the oval • Water bubblers on the oval near the playground so you can fill up before leaving school, repair of bubblers near Year 3 classrooms • The oval – top and bottom sections graded/landscaped, set up to do multiple sports • Better bike racks – maybe enclosed or able to be locked • Clean and reorganisation of Helping Hands room (also used by some lunchtime clubs) • Emotional regulation room • Dedicated handball areas • Tyres/pallets, rope, buckets, material and mudkitchen for around the playgrounds • Australian indigenous culture in the physical environment, native food garden / artwork • Classroom renovation (this is an EQ responsibility) • Support structures and equipment for kids with additional learning needs • More bubblers/drink fountains • Bathrooms (this is an EQ responsibility) • Better playgrounds – Fairyland is great but too small for huge amount of kids • Swimming pool • Air conditioning in the hall and shelter/stands around the oval for shade • Improve/replace Instrumental Music room (EQ) • Greater general maintenance of the garden areas, better lighting in the Junior toilets, fix pathway to school • Ninja warrior play equipment | more murals | review all bubblers • More shade
2. Are there any additional events you would like to see?	• Read a thon • Fete should be ever 2 years, it is too much work for everyone, every year • Parent social events where parents can mingle/drink/chat whilst kids are playing • More mini school fairs on the oval with food trucks • No – the current number of events is great • School discos • Amazing race • Movie nights

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	• Bush dance • Musical show • More incursions/excursions to learn about the local history of the area • Crazy hair day, more lunchtime fundraisers • Return of the Trivia Night in the Hall •
3. Do you have any ideas you would like to see the P&C implement?	• Composting food scraps if possible to encourage minimal waste • Dance and games night in the hall for the whole family with BBQ • More after school activities • More social events • A Longer term strategy instead of fundraising for fund raising sake • A walking group where different parents volunteer to walk kids to school • Replace Zooper Doopers at tuckshop with a healthier alternative • More cultural events celebrating the rich diversity of cultures we have in our community • Volunteer levy – parents can contribute $ towards • Sustainability factored into all P&C events and projects • I love all the ideas • Maybe HEPA filters/airfiltration in classroom to prevent COVID transmission • Seminars on parenting skills • Make year group parents responsible for a stall at the fete, then if they can't do it • Air cons moved to roof in Year 1 corridor. Leaking roof fixed above PS classroom entrance. Mural or CHSS emblem painted on the wall outside PH. • Opportunities for families to leave a legacy (like a pathway that can get stones engraved, or children donating a book to the library with a note as to why they love that book, fundraisers to complement the events, like Gingerbread houses at Christmas, bring back the coffee van to bring the community back together • Well designed garden areas • Discussion with the school re mosquito control (EQ) •
4. Do you have any general feedback (either positive or negative) that you would like	• A lot of thank you's and gratitude for all the work done by the existing committee • Please don't force volunteering on us, we do not added pressure to volunteer and then being made to feel guilty if we can't help. Organise less events throughout the year and keep them simple • I don't like the Mothers and Fathers Day stalls. I'd prefer it to be something the kids made. • A few smaller events

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to share with us?	• Just some small things that would make a difference. The main path leading into the school needs some attention. The mud puddles that form on the path to the left and right of the lower internal pedestrian crossing could do with fixing, even if its just a lot of drainage travel. The path leading up the hill between the bridge and Prep P is so slippery and I have seen so many kids fall over. The path is such a bottle neck and could do with being widened from the bridge to the street. Small things but it is the main entrance to the school. • School needs qualified counselling for students, Chappy is not a counsellor (EQ) • I have attended a few P&C meetings before and was put off from continuing participating because it felt like the longer term participants drove the agenda. I tried to ask questions but the meetings were pushed along. For newer people trying to get involved, it didn't feel that inclusive. It's a big commitment and investment needs to be made in hearing new parents questions and thoughts. No disrespect is meant to the existing P&C members because they all do so much. They might have to do less if more people wanted to be involved. I was put off • the continuous upgrades around the grounds have been great. • Bring back the turning circle for drop off (school decision) • The school needs a communications officer. This could consolidate and improve comms from the school as well as streamlining teacher comms which is currently across 3 different platforms.