



Subiaco Primary School Parents and Citizens Association

Annual General Meeting CLP Report

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1. Overview:

I'd like to thank our amazing 2022 Class Liaison Parents (**CLPs**) for all they did to help make it an amazing year at the school!

So much, big and small, wouldn't have happened without them – whether it's welcoming new families to the school community, organising class get togethers or organising and running P&C events & fundraising.

In 2022, the CLPs played a critical role in organising and running P&C events, including the Movie Night, School Disco, Parents' Night, Swimming & Athletics Carnival Food Stalls and Book Fair. I would particularly like to thank all our CLP and other volunteers who put in so many hours to make these happen!

The CLP an incredibly rewarding role and a great way to get involved in the school community so I'd encourage all parents & carers to volunteer at least once!

2. CLP Nominations:

For a number of reasons, including Covid restrictions, we had a bit of a delayed start to the year - many CLP positions were not filled until late March and there were also 2 classes without a CLP for the duration of the year.

However, this year an early Compass notice has been issued seeking volunteers and there has been a concerted effort to secure nominations from the School, so I'm confident we'll achieve our objective of having 2 CLPs in place for all classes by the end of February.

3. Communicating with parents & carers:

In 2022, changes were introduced to the way parent / carer contact lists are managed and we communicate with parents & carers.

In previous years, the School would provide parent / carer contact information to the CLP Coordinator based on parent / carer communication preferences. These were then separated into class lists and cascaded to the relevant CLPs with parents / carers were always able to opt out of lists at any time.

From 2022, parent / carer is no longer provided by the School and last year CLPs were asked to compile each class list manually with parents opting in on a voluntary basis. Naturally, this has seen a drop in the number of contacts however, with the new process having been established I'm confident that we can improve on last year so that we are communicating with as many families as possible, where they are happy for us to do so.

The contact lists are critical in that they help families get to know each other, particularly in the earlier years, and help new families settle into the school community. The lists can be used to help remember parent / carer names as well as organise playdates, birthday parties and class get togethers as well as help facilitate P&C and informal communications between parents / carers.

4. Welcoming new families:

CLPs play a critical role in welcoming new families to the School community.

With W.A.'s borders finally opening during the year, we saw a higher number than usual of new families from interstate and overseas during the school year. To help them settle into the community, the CLPs hosted a New Families Welcome Picnic at the Theatre Gardens in August. It was a great event with a good number of families attending, helping many to make new contacts in the School community across classes and year groups.

With an unprecedented number of new families joining the school in 2023, this aspect of the role is more important than ever.

5. P&C events and fundraising:

In 2022, the CLPs played a critical role in organising and running P&C events, including the Movie Night, School Disco, Parents' Night, Swimming & Athletics Carnival Food Stalls and Book Fair.

These events provide fun events for the kids, help build the School community and netted around \$15,000 in funds for the school.

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