

How Can Parents Help Out at Lane Cove Public??

The smooth running of so many of the school's activities can only be ensured if we have enough volunteers to help out.

Opportunities for involvement

P&C Subcommittees

Canteen – One day a month is ideal. Meet other parents, have a chat, and see the children in their natural environment. They love to spot their mum or dad or grandparent over the counter. Convenor Brigid Bremner

Uniform Shop – Opens twice each week, so one shift a month is ideal. Convenor Jenny Gay

Lost Property – As often as you are able – but even a few hours once a month helps. Convenor Janet Hill

Music – If you have a child involved in extracurricular music at school, extra hands are always needed to make sure practises and performances run smoothly. Convenor Jackie Brighton

Netball – A new set of coaches, team managers and active supporters are needed at the start of each season. Convenor Lauren Smith

School News – A small team is needed to help the school publish School News and The Trader. Convenor Elizabeth Stewart.

Working Bees – There is always a list of projects to be done, one Sunday per term. Bring your tools, your kids, stay for a sausage sizzle. No skill needed! P&C contact Tim Cook.

Environment Group – A new group which has developed the frog pond, planted a veggie patch and started a compost system, with lots more ideas in store. Contact Jayne Whitford and Cathy Cook.

Fundraising Events – The majority of our events rely on additional hands on deck. Volunteers are not expected to sit on any committee – mostly they provide the labour. Events include Trivia Night (collecting donations and hall set up in particular), barbeques (canteen, bar, BBQ, ride tickets...), Mothers Day Stall, Fathers' Day Breakfast, and so on. P&C contact Sue Mayall. .

Committee Members - New committee members for the P&C Executive and each subcommittee are usually needed each year in October. If you are interested, please have a chat to the relevant convenor.

If you are interested in getting involved in P&C activities, please add your name to the relevant list during your Grade Information Evening, or email details to spmayall@optusnet.com.au. This does not represent a commitment, just an expression of interest. The relevant organiser will be in touch to discuss details. Please feel free to make contact throughout the year – all contact details are available on the school website or from the office.

Class/Grade Support

Reading and Conferencing (reviewing written work)

This is organised by the class teachers, often with the help of the class parents. An hour a week of reading or conferencing with the children can be great fun. Extra help is sometimes needed to supervise children on excursions, or for the odd job around the classroom. You may have registered your interest in the classroom on information night, or have a talk to your child's teacher throughout the year.

Class Parents (see also separate note in School News/on website)

This role (ideally 2/3 per class) supports the teachers, the P&C and the parents. Class Parents may help teachers with reading/conferencing rosters, and with excursions. They assist the P&C by passing information between the P&C and the parents, and by implementing fundraising projects such as Trivia Night baskets. The Class Parent also helps by organising social get-togethers with various combinations of parents, children and sometimes even teachers! Email is the perfect tool for quick and time-effective communication so use of this great tool is strongly encouraged.

Sport

In the upper grades parents are often essential in the running of sporting competitions. Please see your class teacher, or the relevant teacher-coach. Volunteers will also be sought for swimming and athletics carnivals.

Special Events

From time to time parents are asked to help out with special school events such as Grandparents' Day, Kindy Orientation, Open Day, Yr 6 functions.

If you are interested in getting involved at a classroom level, please direct your enquiries through your class teacher.

Thanks in advance – Jo Ryan, P&C President