

Dear Rocky River Families,

Welcome to a brand new school year!

Whether you're new to Rocky River Public School or have been part of our community for many years, the P&C would love to warmly welcome you and invite you to be involved in whatever way works for your family.

As a small school, our P&C plays a big role in supporting our students. Through fundraising and volunteering, we help to:

- Significantly subsidise school excursions
- Run our Friday canteen and our uniform shop
- Purchase end-of-year books for students
- Support students who reach state-level sporting representation
- And so much more that benefits every child at our school

At the end of last year, many of our wonderful P&C helpers moved on as their children finished primary school. That means we have a fresh start this year — and plenty of opportunities for new families to step in, share ideas, and help spread the load so no one is overworked.

Everyone Is Welcome

You don't need experience, lots of spare time, or to commit forever. Even helping **once a term** makes a real difference. We are also very open to changing how and when we meet if that helps more parents get involved.

P&C Meetings – Have Your Say

Our meetings are currently held on the **first Monday of each month at 5:00pm** – however we wonder if there is a timeslot or day that would work better for our current cohort of families?

We need **at least 5 people** at each meeting to reach quorum - you don't have to attend every meeting - but we very nearly had to include a large huntsman spider on the attendees this week to avoid rescheduling!

This year, we are:

- **Open to changing meeting times or days** (or formats - more casual? Less yap? More lollies? Less spiders?)
- **Looking at offering a Zoom option** for parents who can't attend in person

We'd love your feedback on what would work best for you. We'll send notes home for this feedback, or you can email us at rockyriverpandc@gmail.com, or contact Ali on 0402 281 209.

Canteen News

- **No canteen this Friday** due to the Swimming Carnival
- **Canteen starts back next Friday**
- Price list available on the **School Bytes app**

How to order:

Please send your child's order and name clearly written on a **paper bag**, with **correct change enclosed**. Please no online payments this year – it's become very hard to keep track of! Thank you.

Canteen Helpers Always Welcome

Can you spare **one Friday per term?**

- 8:45–9:30am (prep)
- 12:45–1:15pm (lunch serving)

That's it! We promise:

- You won't be rostered on every week
- It's easy pie warmer food only - no fancy chef skills required
- You'll be given a **buddy shift** to learn the ropes

It's a great way to meet staff, get to know the kids your kids are playing and learning with, and be involved in your child's school life. Contact Hugh Cook on 0403 086 970 to get involved.

Upcoming Events – We Need You!

Uralla Street Stall: Monday 23 February – Sunday 1 March

We need:

- **2 volunteers per timeslot** (morning or afternoon) to sell raffle tickets and donated goods – all training provided
- Donations of **home baked items** throughout the week
- Donations of plants / quality second hand goods etc for the stall

 Sign-up sheets for volunteering and baking will be available at the **school office**. Choose a time and day that suits you and hopefully we'll have the whole week covered.

Kids Pizza & Nintendo Switch Party + P&C Meet & Greet

 **Monday 2 March**

 **5:00pm**

- Kids enjoy **FREE pizza** and Nintendo Switch games set up on the big screen
- Parents are invited to a **casual meet & greet** while your kids are fed, supervised and entertained

This is a relaxed, fun way to meet other families, ask questions, and see how you might like to be involved — no pressure, just community.

The P&C only works when families come together. Whether you're brand new, a long-time family, or someone who's never been involved before — **this is your invitation**. Every small contribution helps make Rocky River Public School the supportive, connected place we all want for our kids.

We can't wait to roll up our sleeves together this year - don't miss out!

Warm regards,

Ali Nathan, Secretary
On behalf of Rocky River Public School P&C