



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

RUNCORN STATE HIGH SCHOOL

May 2019

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2019 P&C Requests

I'd like to thank the P&C for their ongoing support of the school. This year, I am seeking P&C support for the following:

- \$6 000 for buses for sub-school events (camps, Mystery Tour),
- \$3 500 student fitness gym,
- \$10 000 for Awards Night,
- \$5 000 for additional programs (e.g. VIVO) and facilities (ping pong tables, chess area)

The medium-term support needed is for air conditioning of general classrooms starting with JS block (est. \$120 000).

Finance

Budget The budget and snapshot is presented for P&C member's information. Overall the school is on track.

2020 Student Resource Scheme (SRS) I am seeking to continue with the SRS in 2020 and to maintain the base fee at \$350 (\$50 discount if paid by 3rd week in February). We are encouraging all parents to move across to the BYOx scheme. As most resources will be online (including textbooks) there should be a reduced cost to parents because there will be less need for paper resources. The BYOx annual fee is \$32. Both BYOx and SRS represent great value for money for parents by providing most of the resources for schooling at better than half price. Bulk and GST-free purchasing make these savings for families possible.

Fundraising

At the upcoming Federal election on 18 May, the HPE staff are holding a BBQ to showcase the basketball, touch football and baseball academies.

Facilities

Playground refurbishment Both the blue and green bowls are receiving a facelift to increase the shade available for students and to replace the artificial turf.

Additional student play spaces The school is looking at having 4 outdoor ping pong tables installed, each in colours of our sporting houses. Shortly we will be surveying students, staff and parents about the best placement of the tables and planning to install them next semester. We are also in the process of improving the roofline and guttering in the Maths outdoor space to upgrade it to be an outdoor chess board. We are aiming for Pi day in July (22/7) for the official opening.

Additional hall storage – the container has arrived. We are hoping to get an artist in residence to work with students to design the artwork (an eagle) for the oval facing side of the container.

Oval tiered seating – we are waiting for the outcome of our SSS submission which is due to be released in June. If successful, the work will commence in Semester 2.

Runcorn Pool The pool is undergoing an expansion to include a water park for very young children (0-5). The pool is a great supporter of the school through taking school-based trainees. For newer P&C members, the facility is on school land and is leased to Brisbane City Council. Council outsource the managing of the facility.

School Review

There is a school review coming up on 27-29 May. The review happens once every four years and is designed to assist the school in its improvement work. The reviewers are keen to speak to P&C representatives and parents as part of the review.

P&C Minutes

In the last few weeks I have received a number of requests from parents for the P&C meeting minutes to be more available. Jordain could attach these to the school website in the P&C tab and put a link to them on Facebook. I am happy to support whichever method the P&C decide.