Hello, my name is Ben Goodland and I am a 2017 Kindy and Year 2 parent. I am also the Manly West P&C President this year, a warm welcome to all new and returning parents.

The P&C helps parents and carers give their child the best school experience possible. It is a vital part of the school and it's your voice here. The P&C has input into decisions as to how the school works, forms committees for specific areas, runs the canteen and BASC, hosts social events and fundraises for vital equipment and facilities. Last year the P&C contributed in excess of $130,000 for the school, which we could not have achieved without your support.

P&C general meetings are held once a term in the school library on a Tuesday at 7.30pm. Your input is important from the first day your child starts school and everyone is welcome - no need to be on a committee or volunteer for anything. It's a great way to find out what's going on as the Principal always presents a report, you can enjoy light refreshments and chat with other parents who have been at the school for a while and may have useful insights but most of all you can vote on the direction the P&C takes. Our next meeting (the AGM) is Tuesday 28st March at 7.30pm* and it would be fantastic to see you all there.

For more information go to www.manlywestpandc.org.au or please feel free to contact me at ben.mwpc@outlook.com

Best wishes for a great 2017 and I look forward to getting to know you.

Ben
P & C President

P.S. A date for your diaries - Manly West School Carnival is Saturday 16th September - not to be missed!

* The AGM was advertised as Tuesday 21 March 2017 in a previous publication. This is incorrect; the correct date for the AGM is as above (Tuesday 28st March at 7.30pm)

What do the P&C DO?

In 2016 Manly West P& C provided in excess of $130,000 for use within the school, amongst other things this money was used to fund –

- Boys Kindy Toilets $11,000
- Literacy/Numeracy & Library Resources $20,000
- Enrichment $30,000
- Computers and Technology $50,000
- Kitchen Garden $16,000
- Canteen $2,700
P&C Vacant Positions

Manly West currently have vacancies for an Environment Co-ordinator & Traffic Co-ordinator if you feel you could perform either of these essential roles please contact the P and C and we talk you though the role to see if it’s for you.

Your Term 1 Invoice

In previous years, the voluntary P&C contribution of $75 per child (up to a maximum payment of $150 per family) was included in the Semester 1 Invoice Totals. This is now not the case and it is now sectioned out below the total as P&C Library-Building Fund.

This year you must now write in the amount you wish to give in order for the P&C, and thus the school, to receive any contribution.

Our P&C contribution is low compared to many other schools and each year we were very grateful that most Manly West families made this vital donation, paying it within their total invoice. This money is incredibly important to the school for additional equipment and training amongst other things, and it allows the school to plan for this expenditure.

So please, if you can this year, please keep giving to the P&C Library-Building Fund and simply write the tax deductible account in on your Semester 1 invoice.

2015 Manly West Carnival raised $66,682 for Manly West Public School. This year’s Manly West Carnival will be held on Saturday 16th Sept. We need as many volunteers as possible to make this event as successful as the years before. From the planning, positioning and staffing of the event all help is welcome.

Please contact mwcarnival2017@gmail.com to offer any support you can. We are happy to discuss how you may help raise these vital funds for our kids’ education.