

Hawker School

Parents and Citizens Association Newsletter

Week 5, Term 1 2021 — Tuesday 2nd March

President: Lisa Elliston



Canteen

Wed, Thurs & Fri
(online only)



Uniform Shop

Mon, Tues & Wed
3:00pm-3:15pm

Useful Links:

- ◆ [General P&C Information and email](#)
- ◆ [Canteen email](#)
- ◆ [Chess email](#)
- ◆ [Music and Drama Scheme email](#)

President's Message

It was great to see the turnout to the P&C Annual General Meeting. Thanks to everyone that put their hand up to fill the committee positions. As always, when everyone does a little the workload isn't too onerous. The accounts from last year had been audited and the finances are in good shape. The music and drama scheme continued to operate last year, along with the canteen. Although a number of fundraising activities had to be cancelled, the P&C still managed to raise some funds for the school. We will take a 'wait and see' approach to fundraising activities in 2021. We agreed there was too much uncertainty to proceed with an autumn fete but will make a decision later in the year about whether or not to organise a spring or summer one. Also, the canteen will return to taking cash over the counter.

If you want to join the P&C mailing list to stay in touch, please email hawker-pandc@air.net.au.

Cheers,
Lisa
P&C President

P&C Elected Office Bearers 2021

President: Lisa Elliston

Vice Presidents: Andrea Carroll, Steve Marshall

Treasurer and Public Officer: Kelly McMahon

Secretary: Meredith Birks

Assistant Treasurer: Rebecca Van der Hor

Communications Officer: Nicky Vooght

Music & Drama Scheme Coordinator:
Syari Robert with Julia Roberts assisting

Chess Coordinator: Amy de Corsey

Uniform Shop Coordinator: Nicola Tait

Fundraising Coordinators:
Narell Majic and Sammi Sebbens

Book Club Coordinator: Sara Reid

P & C Council Delegate: Narell Majic

Supporting our School



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The advertisement features a photo of a woman and a child at a table, a smartphone displaying the Entertainment app, and images of eGift Cards from JB Hi-Fi and Woolworths.

The Entertainment Membership is back with a new App and Website.

Order your membership before 15th April and you will receive a bonus eGift Card.

To order simply click [here](#) and we will automatically receive 20% of each membership purchased.

For further information regarding the Entertainment Membership, please contact Narell Majic or Sammi Sebbens (narell.majic@hotmail.com or Sammisebbens@yahoo.com.au).



Book Club

Wow! Book Club has had a sensational start to the year with Issue 1 returning almost \$450 worth of Scholastic Rewards. These will be used for purchasing books and resources for our school. Thank you to everyone who ordered from Issue 1!

The orders should be arriving shortly and will be sent home with your child. If you chose your order as a "gift" or for the "office", one of our lovely office ladies will give you a call when your order is ready for pick up.

Another issue of Book Club will be available for ordering in the coming weeks. I hope you will join me in making Issue 2 of Book Club another great success.

Sara Reid, Book Club Co-ordinator



Did you know that Parentline relies on the time of volunteers and successful fundraising to keep our doors open? You can support our free service that supports parents and carers of children of all ages through the Hands Up for CBR Giving Day on Tuesday March 9 Support our campaign at <https://giving.handsacrosscanberra.org.au/.../parentline-act> Call us on 6287 3833 for free counselling and support

How to connect with the P&C

To find out more about your P&C [click here](#) or send us an [email](#).

The P&C also has an email distribution list which we use to send information and occasional calls for help. To join the list please send us an email.

More information about what P&Cs do can also be found from the ACT Council of P&C Associations (the peak body of P&Cs in the ACT) or see www.actparents.org.au.

2021 School Board

Parent & Citizen Members Election

At 11am this morning, voting will open for the two positions we have on our school board.

Process for election:

Voters may select one person on the ballot paper by writing the name of the preferred nominee in the box titled 'Your Vote'. The Assistant Returning Officer will count the votes of each nominee. The nominee/s receiving the greatest number of votes is elected. In the event of equal votes, the Assistant Returning Officer will determine the issue by lot. The voting system being used in this election is the 'first past the post' system.

Submitting your vote:

Voting can only be done in person at the school front office between the hours of 9am and 3pm. Once you have completed the ballot paper, place your ballot paper in the ballot box provided at the front office **by no later than 11am Tuesday 9th March 2021**. Any ballot paper received before or after the declared voting period will not be counted.

Below are statements from each nominee:

Ben Elliston

I am a long-term parent at Hawker School and a staunch supporter of public education. My son started preschool in 2013 and finished at Hawker last year. My daughter is now in year 5. I have been a member of the P&C, off and on, since 2013. The Hawker School community is really something special and it's easy to want to be involved. Last year, I was the delegate to the ACT Council of P&C Associations through a rocky time when input to the Council was more important than usual. I am nominating for the school board for two reasons. First, as I will only be a parent at Hawker for two more years, it's now or never. Second, I would really value a chance to contribute in a different way to the school.

Lee Reid

As a parent of 2 children in Year 6 and Year 3 at Hawker and have had 2 other children attend Hawker School. I've been involved with the school community for 6 years and will continue to be involved for years to come. I work in IT and am keenly aware of the benefits technology brings, but also the importance of striking a balance in how much children use and rely on technology. I care passionately about the environment and am very proud of the efforts the school has made in educating children and making a practical difference. I am very pleased with the recent additions to the outdoor environment and will help this continue. I think that Hawker School has a big role in educating children beyond the basics of the curriculum and I look forward to helping in my role on the School Board.

My wife, Sara, is also heavily involved as a volunteer at the school, including running the Book Club.

Dayle Stanley

Hi Hawker families, I'm Dayle Stanley, mother of Amelia (grade 2) and Elliot (grade 1). I have previously sat as a board member for the Bruce Ridge Early Childhood Centre. I'm currently in a strategy and teaching role at the ANU's National Security College, but have extensive policy and governance experience. I'd welcome the opportunity to represent on the Hawker School board. Thanks.