

## PARENTS AND CITIZENS ASSOCIATION Inc.

Welcome to Leeming Senior High School.

Our school has a proud history of promoting harmony among the students whilst encouraging and supporting every student to reach their own level of educational excellence. One way in which the parents and carers of all students can promote the strong community beliefs of the school is through joining the P&C.

**The Leeming Senior High School P&C perform two main roles within the school:**

- **Providing a forum for all parents** to communicate directly with the School and to enable each family to make a positive contribution to the educational opportunities available to all students.
- **Fund raising activities** to support activities throughout the school.

Your involvement in the P&C can ensure that your child is represented in vital decisions made by the P&C as well as providing you with an opportunity to meet other parents.

Historically the P&C has decided against running major fundraising activities, fetes or raffles during the school year to minimise the time commitment required by members of the P&C. This results in the P&C relying entirely on raising funds through:

- **Voluntary P&C Contribution** of \$35 per student.
- **Tax-deductible donation** of \$35 to the P&C Building Fund – used to upgrade school facilities for the benefit of all students.
- **Operating the school canteen and uniform and second-hand shop.**

**How can you help?**

- **Join the P&C – we need members!! Without members, we cannot operate!!**
- **Attend the meetings** – ensure diversity in the group
- **Volunteer in the canteen and uniform shop** – minimises operating costs and increases the funds remaining for the school.

**When are the meetings in 2020?**

Wednesday evenings of **Week 3 and Week 8 of each term at 7.30 pm in the staff room.** The first meeting of the year is the AGM at which all office bearer positions become available and are open for nomination. We encourage you to nominate for a position at the 2020 AGM.

<b>Term 1</b>	Week 3	19 February	Week 8	25 March
<b>Term 2</b>	Week 3	13 May	Week 8	17 June
<b>Term 3</b>	Week 3	5 August	Week 8	9 September
<b>Term 4</b>	Week 3	28 October	Week 8	2 December

**What did the P&C support in 2019?**

- Interschool sports uniforms
- Plaques for Straight Six winners
- Plants and various accessories for the Home Economics Café
- Leadership Camp for Student Council
- Chaplaincy team

## **Can you help? Critical Call for Volunteers**

The P&C operates the canteen and uniform/bookshop (including second hand sales) as services to the school community. We employ staff but rely on the support of volunteers to function effectively. Any surplus funds are used to provide additional school resources.

For many years the P&C has successfully funded many projects around the school and our students have directly benefitted from the money raised through the Canteen and the Uniform Shop as well as the numerous donations to the P&C Building Fund and the Leeming Senior High School P&C Association. With the increasingly busy lives of our all parents the P&C has been struggling to secure the assistance of parents/guardians in the last year. We have lost two very important roles in 2019 and are desperate to find replacements for 2020. If you think you can fulfil the role of P&C Treasurer or Vice-President we urge you to get in touch with our President and discuss the possibilities. Please do not be discouraged by the amount of work involved as we are willing to put supports in place to make your role easier.

The role of a Volunteer at the P&C in High School is very different to that of a P&C in Primary School. There is not fundraising to organise or people to chase. We are here to maximise the benefits to the School Community from the funds we receive via the Canteen and the Uniform Shop.

It is very rewarding to see the benefits spread around the school and a daunting thought to imagine Leeming Senior High School without a P&C.

Please contact our President – Michael Blakemore on [lshspandc@gmail.com](mailto:lshspandc@gmail.com) .

The students will all benefit from a little bit of our time.

## **Canteen**

The canteen requires the assistance of volunteers daily to help it provide the best service to our customers. A volunteer's duties usually involve preparing and serving food to students. Do not be put off by thought of serving a mob of teenagers – we will try to make this as easy as possible and the students will help you out!

Training is provided. Disposable hats and gloves will be supplied to satisfy hygiene requirements for food preparation. We also provide lunch, a hot drink and good company. It's also an opportunity to see the school in action.

Volunteers are required between 10.15 am and 1.45 pm. The Canteen Coordinator, Debbie Bowie, will develop a roster that considers your personal schedules. Even if you can only help once a month (averages twice a term), this would be a tremendous help so why not give it a go!

## **Interested?**

To join the canteen team please email [lshspandc@gmail.com](mailto:lshspandc@gmail.com) or drop in to the Canteen.

We would greatly appreciate any assistance and look forward to hearing from you.

For further information, please contact Debbie at the Canteen between 9 am and 2 pm weekdays.