

Dear Parents and Carers, 11th May 2021

Many thanks for completing our Parent Involvement at St Canice's survey last term.

The results are summarised below:

Thank you to the 23 people who responded to the survey.

## **Class Liaisons:**

Overall, parents felt that a parent meeting is more effective than having Class Liaisons. The reason given was that, being a small community, we can all play the role of liaising with the families we know about school matters and about building community.

## Meetings:

The majority of respondents requested one meeting a term, face to face. There was an even spread of requests to hold meetings at different times- morning / afternoon / evening. We will alternate the day and time going forward. We will also give plenty of notice. This will enable a good cross section of parents to attend over the course of a year.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday, 2nd June at 1:30pm in the hall. Parents are asked to submit agenda items up to one week in advance (Wed 26 May) to <a href="mailto:stcanices@parra.catholic.edu.au">stcanices@parra.catholic.edu.au</a>

Some parents requested that meetings are constructive and positive. We therefore request that agenda items are constructive in nature.

## Volunteers:

Many thanks to the nine parents who put their hands up to volunteer in the classroom. We are most grateful to these parents. To ensure confidentiality and respect for privacy, the following protocols will apply:

- Parents will attend a training session with Mrs Meaney prior to helping
- Parents will be unable to work in their child's classroom. Instead, they will work in another learning space, supporting that teacher with student learning

We would love to grow our number of volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the school office to register your interest. This also applies to those parents who have already offered to volunteer.

Contact options:

In person

Ph: 4780 6800

Email: stcanices@parra.catholic.edu.au

## Other suggestions:

Among the other suggestions in the survey were the following:

- A parent column in the newsletter (please contact the office if this interests you)
- Speakers / presenters at the parent meetings (please contact the office with suggestions)
- Including a parent rep in the compilation of meeting minutes
- Adopting a code of conduct at meetings to ensure all are heard and shown respect
- Ensuring that meetings are inclusive of new parents
- Ensuring that progress made following a parent meeting is shared with the community

Miriam Meaney Principal