



WE INVITE YOU TO BE PART OF OUR P&C

Our P&C has an important job to do and we would love you to be a part of it.

What skills, interests, networks and fresh perspectives can you bring? Share them with the school community by being involved. The following are just some of the ways you can be involved, and every contribution (large or small) makes a difference.

1. **Come to our monthly P&C Meetings** and share your ideas. You don't need to be a member to come along as everyone is welcome. We usually meet every third Wednesday of the month in term time at 7pm in the School Library.
2. **Sign up to be a General P&C member** by completing a membership form which will give you voting rights at our meetings.
3. **Nominate for a P&C Role** (Executive committee, or a service sub-committee).
4. Look out for ways to **volunteer around the school** and offer to help when you can:
 - Assisting with social events and fundraising activities
 - Volunteering as part of the swim club
 - Assisting with garden and environmental sustainability initiatives
 - Helping with P&C Communications (social media, posters, articles)
 - Volunteering to work in the tuckshop
 - Becoming a parent liaison representative for your child's class
 - Helping out in the uniform shop
 - Writing grants to help realise our strategic projects
 - Supporting your child's teacher (e.g. sports days, swim lessons, excursions, and in the classroom)



If you'd like to know more visit

<http://oakleighss.eq.edu.au/Ourcommunity/PandC/>

Or email: pandc@oakleighss.eq.edu.au



OAKLEIGH Parent & Citizen Association

ABOUT US

At Oakleigh State School we are very proud of our P&C. We are an enthusiastic group of parents /caregivers, grandparents, teachers and others interested in Oakleigh's future.

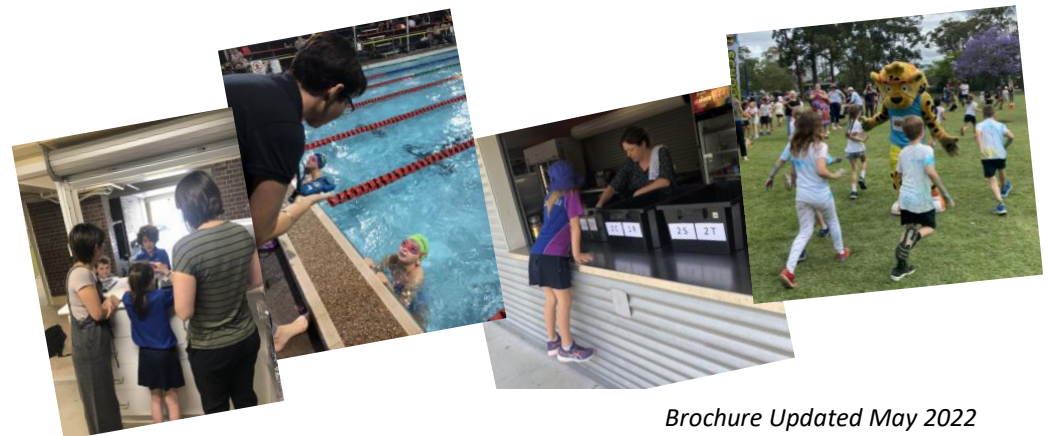
Our P&C looks for ways to:

- improve the school's **facilities and environment**;
- support **teaching and learning initiatives and provide resources**;
- promote the **welfare of all students**; and
- strengthen partnerships **to achieve the best educational outcomes**.

We manage the following services and clubs for the benefit of Oakleigh families:

- Tuckshop;
- Uniform shop; and
- Swim club.

We facilitate community connections by coordinating social events, conducting fundraising activities and coordinating a parent liaison network.





WHAT DOES THE P&C DO?

Coordinates a Parent Liaison Representative (PLR) Network

Every year, each class has a parent who acts as a contact point between parents. This role emails P&C information out and coordinates a class contact list for those who want to be part of it. If you are new to the school and don't know who your PLR is for your child's class then email oakleighplr@outlook.com and they can put you in contact with them.

Operates the Tuckshop

We are open everyday except Mondays for morning tea and lunch. Ordering is done online through our School Shop online system which can be accessed here:

<https://oakleighss.eq.edu.au/Facilities/Tuckshop/>. The work is not hard and every hour of help makes a difference, so why not volunteer by emailing tuckshop@oakleighss.eq.edu.au.

Runs the Uniform shop

You can make orders online though <https://oakleighss.eq.edu.au/Facilities/Uniformshop>. These orders will be delivered to classrooms to be taken home. If you prefer to shop in person, the uniform shop is located on the lower ground floor of the main building and is open Thursday mornings from 8.15am to 9.15am. If you want to volunteer in the uniform shop, please email ossuniformshop@gmail.com

Runs Swim club

Club night is every Friday night from 6pm during terms one and four. Visit Oakleigh Dolphins swim club website oakleighbdolphins.yolasite.com for more information on how to join and how you can help make it happen each week.

Coordinates Social Events and Fundraising Activities

Across the year the P&C seek to coordinate a series of fun social events to foster community connections. Past events have included movie nights, fairs, learning showcases, trivia nights, discos, parents nights out and fun runs. We need volunteers to make these happen so please contact oakleighfundraising@gmail.com if you can help.

We are grateful to all those in our community who volunteer their time to make



BENEFITS OF JOINING THE P&C

It gives you a voice

- The P&C is led by an executive committee who, with other P&C members, work closely with the Principal and staff for the benefit of Oakleigh students.
- By coming along to meetings you learn what is happening at the school and you can have your say. By then becoming a P&C member it gives you voting rights at meetings to determine how funds are allocated and issues are resolved.

We can keep offering services to your family

- We need a P&C organisation with members taking up committee roles as well as volunteers on the ground to operate the swim club, uniform shop, tuckshop and to coordinate social events.

It benefits your children

- Monies raised from P&C operations directly benefits your children by providing funds to support additional learning initiatives and enhancing facilities at Oakleigh.
- Research shows that the connections you form with the school have a strong positive impact on your child's well-being and educational achievements. The P&C is one way of fostering these connections.
- Children's faces also seem to light up when they see their parents / caregivers or grandparents helping out at school.

It also benefits you directly

- It helps you meet others in the school community and provides an opportunity to forge social connections with other families at Oakleigh.
- Some past P&C volunteers have mentioned that their roles have provided them an opportunity to learn some new skills or refresh some old ones. They have appreciated the opportunity to do this in a safe and friendly environment.
- *It also just feels good to help out and be part of something.*

HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE P&C?

Membership is free and open to all parents /caregivers, grandparents and members of the community. All you need to do is complete the [membership form](#) available from the P&C website and bring it to any monthly meeting, or email it to the Secretary at oakleighsspandc@gmail.com to be presented at the Annual General Meeting in March.

If you are not a current parent / caregiver, we welcome you to submit a membership form but please be aware you will also need to have a valid blue card which you can apply for if you don't already have one.