

MVPS Parents Association – Meeting Agenda & Minutes



The Malvern Valley P.S Parent's Association is focused on engaging parents to support our teachers and students through a host of activities and contributions.

Our three key areas of focus are:

1. Parent engagement with their child education and the broader school community;
2. Student engagement to enhance their learning experience; and
3. Fundraising to further improve educational outcomes for our children

Date/Time of Meeting:	24/2/22 5pm-7pm as part of Community Picnic incorporating ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	Minutes Taker:	Chantal McCrae
Attendees	Tracy Skiba (TS), Chantal McCrae (CM), Tina Johnston (TJ), Shino Shibata (SS), Tanille Jewell (TJe), June Wang (JW), Samantha Moffat (SM), Kellie Badge (KB), Tanya Labonne (TL)		
Apologies	N/A		

Item	Item Details	Minutes/Actions
1	Welcome & Apologies	
2	Principals Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TS welcomed all MVPS Community Members to the Community Picnic incorporating the Parents Association AGM. • Thanked the current PA committee. • Invited all members of the MVPS Community to nominate for the 2022 committee
3	Presidents Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of 2021 achievements (refer to Presidents Summary below) • Thanked 2021 committee
4	Treasurers Updated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary of 2021 financial position (refer Dec 21 financials)
5	Election of 2022 committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President: Chantal McCrae re-nominated. No other nominations. Chantal McCrae appointed • Vice President: Samantha Moffatt nominated. No other nominations. Samantha Moffatt appointed. • Treasurer: No nominations – to remain vacant for now • Secretary: No nominations – to remain vacant for now

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Members: All general members uncontested and appointed: June Wang, Allison Brudenell, Binh Luong, Erin Davie, June Wang, Shino Shibata, Tanille Jewel, Tanya Labonne, Leigh Shani-Rachamim, Ruwani Jayaweera, Sophia Fatouros, Darcie Weetman
8	Meeting Close	

Appendix – 2021 Presidents Summary (by Chantal McCrae)

It's been another rewarding and successful year for the MVPS Parents Association. We've continued to run events and activities to support our areas of focus as a committee; Parent engagement with their child education and the broader school community, Student engagement to enhance their learning experience and Fundraising to further improve educational outcomes for our children.

Term 1 was all about the sizzle of sausages at our Welcome New Families BBQ, End of Term 1 BBQ and Twilights Sports BBQ. We also welcomed guest speaker David Bott (Geelong Grammar & Institute of Positive Education) who presented at our Parents Association AGM about the philosophy behind positive education.

Term 2 we were proud to host our Mothers Day Breakfast. We had a beautiful sunny autumn morning in the amphitheater and our mothers were treated to croissants and coffee whilst the children made them lavender milk baths and beautiful artwork. The kids also enjoyed making a pedal powered smoothie for their special guest on the Bike N Blend bikes.

Term 3 we needed to embrace the virtual world. We were proud to sponsor an online webinar with one of Australia's leading parenting and educational experts, Michael Grose. Michael talked to our community about tips for managing anxiety in children and promoting resilience, which was particularly relevant as we headed back into remote-learning mode. Whilst we couldn't get together in person for Fathers Day, we connected virtually for an evening of magic with local magician Anthony De Masi.

Term 4 we continued embracing the virtual world. We held a with a virtual-trivia night for MVPS parents and carers which was full of laughs (and some robust debates!). It was so lovely to welcome back some MVPS alumni parents for the evening, but ultimately it was the Grade 5 parent community who reigned supreme. We also opened up our very first MVPS virtual art gallery and proudly displayed some amazing photographs of our talented students.

In addition to these events and activities during the year, the Parents Association has continued to run our on-site canteen and second-hand uniform stall, all which help contribute to the funds that we can put back into the school to purchase equipment, support the MVPS Academy Program, provide Grade 6 jumpers and contribute towards Grade 6 graduation. We were also proud to, on behalf of the parents community, show our thanks to our teachers on both Principal Appreciation Day and Teacher Appreciation Day.

Perhaps the most rewarding part of 2021 though was the support we were able to provide MVPS families in need through our Friends of Malvern Valley program. Unfortunately 2021 brought new and difficult challenges for some families in our MVPS community, but the kindness and generosity of our school community ensured that we were able to support some families with volunteer-cooked meals and hampers of donated food items.

Thank you to everyone in the MVPS Community who got involved in the activities of the Parents Association. Whether you donated items of clothing to the second hand stall, cooked meals or donated goods for the Friends of Malvern Valley program, volunteered at or attended our events or simply purchased some of our fundraising items. Our community is only as strong as it is because we all get involved in our own little way. But the biggest thanks of all goes to our dedicated Parents Association 2021 Committee Members:

President: Chantal McCrae

Vice-President & Friends of Malvern Valley Coordinator: Claire Burzacott

Treasurer: Kellie Badge

Secretary: Kate Kurdas

Canteen Coordinators: Tina Johnston & Shino Shibata

General Members: Tanya Labonne, Tanille Jewell, June Wang, Brigitte Chan & Samantha Moffatt