Welcome to the first addition of 'Le Parent' for 2012. This newsletter provides you with news and highlights from in and around the school community.

Last year was a very successful year for the P & C. We worked hard to raise funds and were able to donate a large amount to the school which went towards lots of improvements. I would like to say a big thank you to all the wonderful volunteers, for their time and also for those businesses that have made donations, which has enabled the P & C to achieve these great fundraising results.

As the new school year begins, and the P & C starts its fundraising for 2012, I would like to remind the school community that all money raised goes straight back to making the school a better place for our children to learn and play. The P & C is very aware of the financial burden that can come with having too many fundraising events and as such we try to both limit our fundraising events and space the ones that we do have out over the whole year. We have some exciting (movie night) and controversial (chocolate drive) fundraising planned for this year and if you are able to provide any help, please contact myself or any of the P & C executive team. There are many ways to help and we encourage all parents to either volunteer your time and/or donate a prize for one of our raffles.

Also as the new year begins, please give a thought to attending a P & C meeting. The P & C meets at 7pm on the second Wednesday of each month, during the school term, in the school library. The meetings are very informal and all members of the school community are welcome/encouraged to attend.

**CAN YOU HELP?**

Last year saw the P & C contribute over $75,000 to our school, and there is no way that this would ever have been achieved without the support of our dedicated team of volunteers, they are always there to give their time, and we want to say a big THANK YOU to everyone that has put their hand up to help. We know that there are many new parents who are still feeling their way about the school and may feel unsure about where to help and what sort of time commitment it would involve, please talk to us, we are always glad of any help. Even just for a couple of hours at a once a year event like the mothers day stall would be appreciated.

You may be surprised how much you enjoy yourself and your children always love knowing they have a parent helping at school!
MUNCH MONITOR - Canteen

Our school operates the Munch Monitor system in the canteen. Munch Monitor allows you to:

- Order online
- View and manage what your child buys from the canteen
- Eliminate lost pocket money
- Monitor spending
- View the menu, and order 24/7
- Take advantage of online specials
- Place orders for days (or even weeks) ahead

It is really easy!

Simply follow the directions below.
Go to www.munchmonitor.com

Enter Username: blsp
(new users)
Enter Password: munch2216
Click the ‘sign up’ button and follow prompts.
Go into the Canteen section to see all the great things that our Healthy Canteen offers.

If you have a morning or afternoon free (even just once a month) give Christine a call & come and join the friendly team in the canteen.

Your child will love you

MUNCH MONITOR—Uniform Shop

Our school has a great uniform shop which stocks the entire range of items from bags and tunics to hair scrunchies and football socks.
The shop is located in the North Hall and is open Monday & Wednesday mornings from 8.30am—9.30am.
If you order online, your order will be delivered to your child in class.
Remember, the uniform shop is run by parent volunteers.
Without them, we would not be able to offer this service to the school, so please be patient.

If there are any parents that have an hour a week that they can spare, we could perhaps open on an additional morning or afternoon this year. Contact Blair 0419 273 659

For your convenience school hats are always available to purchase from the canteen.

Make a note

P & C fundraising events for 2012
- Chocolate Drive—Feb
- Term 1 Disco—2nd March
- Hot X Buns—April
- Mothers Day Stall & Raffle—May
- Movie night—July
- Fathers day stall & raffle—August
- Term 4 Disco

P & C meetings 2012
- 8th Feb
- 14 March
- 9th May
- 13th June
- 8th August
- 12 Sept
- 10 Oct
- 14 Nov (AGM)

Going Green

From next month, the P & C intends that this publication will be sent out electronically, the same way that the school’s newsletter is sent. There will still be hard copies available in the office should you require one.