



Charles Weston School Coombs P&C Association

Questions and Answers



What is the P&C?

Most schools have a parent group which represents the voice of the school community.

At Charles Weston, the group is called the P&C Association which stands for Parents and Citizens. We hold meetings for parents to discuss matters of interest relating to the school and community.

When does the P&C meet?

We meet every term on Tuesday of Week 3 and 8.

The meetings are advertised in the school newsletter and on the P&C Facebook page. Any parent or carer can attend.

At these meetings, we discuss and make decisions about activities, events and how we can contribute to the school.

Meetings commence at 7pm in the Community Room or via video conferencing.



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[@CWSCPparents](#)

Who is a member of the P&C?

All parents and carers of children at Charles Weston are automatically members of the P&C.

What is the P&C Committee?

The P&C Committee consists of parent or carer volunteers who assist in the running of the group. Parents and carers nominate themselves and are elected to committee positions for a period of 12 months. The committee positions available are:

Essential Positions	Optional
President	General Committee Members
Vice President	Communications Officer
Secretary	Council Delegate
Treasurer	Fundraising Co-ordinator
Public Officer	

What is the role of the P&C?

The P&C provides community support for the school by engaging parents and carers to be involved in the school community. We hold events and fundraising activities to support the school and students.

We are responsible for operating the school clothing pool.

How is the P&C different from the school board?

Every ACT government school has a school board — a body where parents, carers, staff and students can participate in decision-making for their school. Essentially, the board operates as the policy-making body of the school.

The school board meets a minimum of four times a year and the positions are elected. Members elected to the board serve for at least 12 months and not more than 24 months.

The P&C works in partnership with the board and will often refer matters to the board for consideration.

What is a clothing pool?

The clothing pool is an opportunity for families to buy used school uniforms. We hold regular clothing pool sales for parents and carers to come to the school to browse and purchase used uniforms at reduced prices.

The P&C is happy to help families finding it financially hard to purchase school uniforms.

When can I buy used school uniforms?

Each term we open the clothing pool at the school.

The clothing pool sale date and time is advertised in the school newsletter and on the P&C Facebook page.

Can I donate to the clothing pool?

We encourage all parents and carers to donate good quality used uniforms to the clothing pool. You will be helping raise essential funds for the P&C and school.

You can drop clothing pool donations at the school office.

What other things does the P&C do?

We welcome new ideas on ways to engage the community and fundraising opportunities. We run many events and provide many services to students and families.

Past activities have included:

- School Discos
- Welcome gifts for new parents
- Teacher thank you gifts
- Welcome Picnic and Election BBQ
- Trivia Night
- Mothers & Fathers Day Breakfast and Gift Stall
- Cookie Decorating and Gift Stall at Community Carols
- Neighbour Day
- Working with Student Parliament regarding fundraising events

How can I volunteer?

There are lots of ways that you can volunteer and help our school. Some people offer to:

- Wash and sort uniforms for the clothing pool
- Bake for fundraising events
- Cook at community BBQs
- Serve food at events
- Organise events

What ways can I get involved in the P&C?

There are various ways you can get involved:

- Come along to a meeting
- Support our events and activities
- Share your fundraising ideas
- Volunteer to help out

How can I contact the P&C?

We are keen to hear your ideas and feedback. We invite you to come along to a meeting – everyone is welcome.

You can also contact the P&C by emailing:

charleswestonparents@gmail.com

I have an issue or a concern – whom do I tell?

If the issue or concern is about the P&C, you are welcome to email us or raise it at a meeting.

For matters about school policy or strategy, you should contact the school board or principal by emailing:

charlesweston@ed.act.edu.au

For matters related to your child, please contact their teacher by emailing using this format:

firstname.lastname@ed.act.edu.au

Please allow up to 48 hours for a response to all emails.

The P&C is a great way to meet other families and make connections within the Charles Weston School community.

Urgent Enquiries

For anything urgent, please call the school office on 02 6142 0404.



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