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Dardanup Primary School Board Meeting		
Date: 13 th June 2022	Time 18:30	DPS Admin Staff room
Chairperson	Dougal Herd	
Note taker	Janiece Cochrane	
Other Attendees	Monike Fitt, Darline Morgan, Carmen Gregg, Bev Fortescue, Ryan Gibbs, Rebecca Smedley, Dave Humphreys, Helen Humphreys Apologies – Megan Ashmore, Ryan Shannon Guest - Emma Howlett	
Previous minutes	Accepted- Dougal Herd Seconded – Ryan Gibbs	
Matters arising from previous meeting 21 st March 2022		
Agenda Item 1		
Speaker	Principals Report	Action Required
Monike Fitt		
Welcome	Monike welcomed everyone back to school site and acknowledged new members and guest Emma Howlett.	
COVID 19	Monike presented an overview of achievements and shared challenges during COVID 19 management. The acceptance by the community and staff and respect shown by families to staff during constant rule changes was amazing. COVID has been a slow burn with firstly students and then staff being affected. No classrooms have been collapsed but some specialist classes have been impacted and DOTT lost. A perspective comparison between Term 2 2021 and Term 2 2022 absences for teachers, non-teaching staff and students was tabled. Some families have been reluctant for students to return but they are now being contacted to encourage students back to school.	
NAPLAN	NAPLAN Due to a high number of absences the testing window was extended to 3 weeks.	

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<p>Reports</p>	<p>Three Year 3 students missed completing one test. One Year 5 student was not tested as they were absent for all three weeks. Year 5 students completed their writing task on laptops and desktop computers with some connection issues. iPad tests worked seamlessly. Further investigation into how writing task can be completed on iPads to be considered for next year. Bec Edwards was thanked for her tremendous effort in coordinating the tests.</p> <p>Reports will go home Week 10. They will look a little different as schools have been given the option to send with no comments. Staff have agreed to include a generic comment for Math and English and a personalised general comment. Parents informed via newsletter, board members suggested communicating these changes to parents possibly via email as well.</p>	<p>Monike Fitt to communicate change to parents</p>
<p>Business Plan</p>	<p>Business plan review meetings are still going ahead and review of process and discussion has been undertaken in areas of English, Math and Social/Emotional Learning.</p> <p>Zones of Regulation committee, led by Darline Morgan who presented a brief overview of the framework. The four zones are being implemented across the school using common language and strategies giving capacity to self-regulation and to return to appropriate zone.</p> <p>Further information for parents will be provided during the next school disco.</p> <p>English Committee led by Rebecca Smedley and Abbey Thompson. Guided Reading check list and consistent approach discussed. More specific goals needed for Year 3 and 5 as part of the business and operational plans. Good reviews of outcomes. Same assessment on specific tasks for Years 1 to 6. Reassess assessment process. Moderation a benefit particularly with like teachers from other schools. Benefits of scanning documents under review. In higher grades is still a benefit as data collection essential. If stopped is longitudinal data lost? Needs to be whole staff discussion to determine</p>	

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Math Extension	<p>path to be taken. Need to amplify what works well and what can we do better. Professional development for year 1 phonics initiative.</p> <p>Math Committee will meet during week 8.</p> <p>Emma Howlett presented an overview of the Math Extension Program stating that it was a privilege to work with the students and to be able to provide general enrichment activities and math's extension. General extension includes developing and applying skills including analysis and critical thinking. There has been positive feedback from students. Students are understanding how the brain works and talk about awareness, thinking outside the obvious, thinking sideways and becoming curious. Students initially wanted answers instead of asking questions. Students have submitted an entry to Australian Law Society competition "Cluedoneit" where they could ask six questions to solve the crime. Outcome was presented as a picture book, developed into a narrative with music added. May possibly be shared with Parents at Disco. Looking at entering other competitions. Math Extension with Year 3 & 4 groups to slow down thinking and highlight the process, emphasize steps rather than the solution. Program is seeing positive results. Students must catch up on general classes missed. Communication with classroom teachers integral to ensure teachers not inconvenienced. Program has been well supported.</p>	
Spelling Mastery	<p>Spelling Mastery has resumed.</p>	
Bookfair	<p>Bookfair in week 4 raised \$720 in commission for library resources. Caz and Deb were thanked for their coordination of a successful Bookfair.</p>	
P & C	<p>P & C thanked for their support and appreciation for recent fundraising. They are seeking more support and will be holding a meet and greet session at the disco in week 9. Invitation extended for board member to attend to present role of the board. Dougal or Helen will attend. Helen suggestion a biography for board members</p>	

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Speaker	General Business	Action Required
DPS 50th Anniversary Celebrations	Monike presented email from Dardanup Heritage Collective for invitation of celebration to coincide with event to be held in November. Helen suggested that 2023 was official opening of school. General view was that as 50 th anniversary would be a big celebration it should be our own but suggested that students could perform Maypole for community event.	Monike to confirm official year of school opening.
School Shirts	Shirt 1 with collar and ribbons to be faction colours preferred option. Discussion regarding reducing cost by sourcing sponsors was decided against as would distract from shirt but suggestion to include small Manea recognition as designers would be appropriate. Suggestion parents may like to be part of process, may be a short turn around vote may be appropriate.	Monike to contact Nat at Manea
Dardanup Advisory Committee	Darline Morgan as part of the Dardanup Advisory Committee could present any requests from the school board. Darline also reported that the road to the front of the school, query if the cycle way is too close to the school and artwork at Caramar Park had been part of discussions. Darline also sought clarification regarding the undeveloped block to rear of oval.	
Thankyou Monike	Bev Fortescue thanked Monike for the wonderful job she has done during Term 2 in her role as relief Principal.	

Council meeting concluded 8:15

Next meeting: proposed Week 7 or 8 Term 3 to confirm with Darryl Owen