



West Morley Primary School

P&C Principal's Report
30th August 2017

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Faction Carnival

The Faction Carnival Jumps, Throws and Long Distance were successfully run today in some beautiful weather.

Friday's carnival is scheduled to proceed even with rain forecast. Timing of events may need to be adjusted depending on the conditions.

The school still has access to one bike which could be utilised for the raffle on the day or this bike could be utilised for a raffle to be undertaken on the 50th Anniversary Day.

50th Celebrations Steering Committee

We have four busy parent volunteers rummaging through old historical items in preparation to display them for the 23rd Sept event.

Demand for the memorabilia items was quite low, with the tote bags having a very poor response. Pens, water bottles and bookmarks with the 50th whole school photo will be available for sale up to and on the day.

An article will be run in the Eastern Reporter featuring Miss Pedrotti, her mother and her grandmother who were all teachers at West Morley PS during their respective careers. Miss Pedrotti's grandfather was also here in the 70's as Headmaster of the school.

A coffee van that is mainly a food van has been booked for the event and will offer hot food, cupcakes and muffins. An ice cream van has also been booked for the kids (and the bigger kids).

PA System

Our school PA System has finally had a comparison quote undertaken. We will have access to a borrowed sound system for this Friday's athletics carnival and a similar system will be built from some of our existing sound equipment for a dedicated outdoor system. This cost has been quoted at just over \$1200 ex GST which is significant savings. They will also be developing a new system for our Undercover Area however we are still pending the specific quote for that project.

New Covered Areas

Planning and quotes have begun for the provision of a covered area between Room 1 & 2 and the Boys Toilets which will provide just under 300sqm of space for students. The area will also have a trough and taps installed and concrete flooring. This area will become an eating area, play area, and multi-purpose learning area.

There is also planning and quoting occurring for a covered walkway between the library and verandah adjacent to Room 3. This will allow students safe access to the library, undercover area and toilets during wet weather.

Work will hopefully commence during the upcoming school holidays.

The cost for both projects was estimated in the vicinity of \$105 000 with \$50 000 coming from the recent Local Projects Local Jobs funding from the State Government.

Undercover Area Heating/Cooling

A request was forwarded to myself suggesting the P&C examine the possibility of funding heating and cooling in the Undercover Area. Bar heaters and fans were suggested.

I have consulted the Building Maintenance and Works division and discussed the concept. Their opinion was that in order to adequately heat and cool the area you would need to install reverse cycle air-conditioning units. To undertake such a large area would cost in the vicinity of \$20000 which could potentially increase depending on whether a power board upgrade would be required.

Whilst I feel the concept has merit on extreme occasions, I feel such cost would be better spent on playground equipment for the students which would be utilised on a daily basis.

Mr Peter Harty
Principal