



PLC SUPPORT AND FEEDBACK

PLC offers many opportunities for parents to be involved in the life of the School while your children are students. Please consider where you feel you can contribute and nominate the area/s on the form below. **Please return this form to PLC Community Relations by Wednesday 1 February 2012.**

Name: _____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Telephone: _____ Mobile: _____ Facsimile: _____

Email: _____ (please print clearly)

Student Name: _____ Year: _____

PYP ASSISTANCE

The Primary Years Programme is inquiry based and involves the Pre-Kindergarten to Year 5 children undertaking authentic research to answer their inquiry questions. The opportunity to hear or interview an expert is an extremely valuable and valid form of gathering data. The following areas form the basis for some of the Junior School inquiries. Please indicate if you are willing to contribute to these inquiries:

- the body – systems within it, how it works, maintaining a healthy body, senses, diseases and cures.
- religious beliefs – different practices/celebrations
- families – importance of family structure/cultural influences
- changes that have occurred (eg people, discoveries, inventions)
- space exploration and travel/stars/planets
- architecture, important world structures
- housing – materials, construction, cultural
- roles – specific job/career information
- art – forms, techniques, history
- weather – equipment, causes, changes
- child rights – improving conditions for children
- world resources – conservation, use, alternatives
- transportation – changes
- time – measuring
- indigenous culture
- migrants and refugees
- energy
- community clubs and organisations

I am prepared to speak to:

- class teachers
- a whole year level
- one class
- small groups of children
- one child

Access to experienced and knowledgeable experts is an integral element of inquiry. Please contact Junior School Reception if you have read the Junior School Programme of Inquiry and feel you could contribute to any of the inquiries not mentioned above.

EXCHANGE STUDENT HOST FAMILIES

Throughout the year, PLC has students attend the School from various countries around the world. Please indicate, below, if you would be prepared to be a host family for one of these students:

- We are interested in hosting an exchange student
- We would like more information about the exchange programme

PLC AUXILIARY

This group meets once a month on a Monday. Its main role is to foster friendship within the School community and reinforce the School ethos of a caring, warm and nurturing environment for our children, parents and wider community. In 2012, the PLC Auxiliary is asking for the following help (please tick if you can assist):

- Assistance at functions such as Welcome Evenings, Open Day and Orientation Days
- Assistance with catering at the functions mentioned above (eg making sandwiches, slices, etc)
- Donation of prizes for fundraising events
- Assistance with our Pastoral Support Programme (preparation of meals, transportation for families experiencing illness/difficulties)
- Acting as a Year Representative to co-ordinate parent and parent/student events

Our Boarding House parents are always very appreciative of any help the parents of day students can offer boarders. Please indicate below the help you can provide:

- Transport boarders to and from medical and dental appointments on school days between 9.00 am and 3.00 pm
- Transport boarders to and from weekend commitments (sporting and cultural events and rehearsals)

Some boarding families have limited support networks in Perth and in times of sadness or stress it is wonderful to have parents of day students who are willing to take boarders out for a chat, an overnight stay or to offer to help out in some small way. Contact needs to have been made between families for this type of help to come to fruition, therefore, the Boarding House runs events that endeavour to link country and city families. The friendships made can have benefits for both families, as often the families become firm friends.

- I am interested in receiving information about these events

PARENTS' COMMITTEE

Parents' Committee meets once each month, generally on a Tuesday evening, and so is well suited to parents who are unable to volunteer their time during the working day. We organise the annual Sundowner and through the Fees Incentive Draws we help to fund specific capital projects, provide scholarships and awards for students, and support student and staff leadership and research endeavours. Membership responsibilities are not onerous and we welcome all assistance. Please tick if you would like to:

- Express an interest in joining the PLC Parents' Committee
- Assist with the Annual Parent Sundowner – Friday 10 February 2012
- Help to serve refreshments at functions, such as Senior and Middle School Support Your Daughter evenings held in Term 1
- Support with security duty at Year 10 and Year 11 dances/socials
- Leverage your particular skills and/or interests in whatever ways may help the PLC community
- Generally help out

WALKING SCHOOL BUS

The PLC Junior School operates a Walking School Bus – a supervised walking group of children escorted by trained parent volunteers that walks to a set destination after school where students are collected by parents. The number of afternoons the Walking School Bus operates is dependant upon the availability of trained volunteers.

I am interested in becoming a Walking School Bus volunteer

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Friends of the Library are members of the PLC community with an interest in the improvement of the library service (both Junior and Senior Libraries) and in assisting in whatever way possible (eg sorting, shelving, photocopying, book covering). Friends of the Library can become members of the PLC Parent Literature Circle (Book Club) that is held once a Term.

I would like to become a Friend of the Library Junior School Senior School

I am interested in being part of the PLC Parent Literature Circle

FRIENDS OF MUSIC

Friends of Music is a group of enthusiastic parents who share a common love and goal of encouraging music at PLC. They provide support to the Music Department by helping out with the many concerts staged during the year and have formed a strong musical association with Scotch and Trinity Colleges. They welcome any new parents to give their support.

I would like to become a Friend of Music Daughter's instrument/ensemble _____

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

The canteens in the Junior and Senior Schools rely heavily upon a volunteer base to provide an essential cost-effective service and a healthy, well-balanced menu to students and staff. If you can help, please indicate your preferences below:

Junior School Canteen Middle/Senior School Canteen
 Weekly Fortnightly Monthly Once a Term A relief in emergencies
 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

ARGYLE CLUB

The Argyle Club consists of parents of current rowers (together with past rowing parents and students and the 'Mad Scullers'). The Club is most active between April and August. This is a parent support group that works to fundraise and hold social events during the girls' (winter) Rowing season. Past rowers and their parents can continue the strong links with PLC Rowing by becoming financial members of the Club after their daughter/s have left PLC.

I would like to become a member of the Argyle Club

FRIENDS OF THEATRE ARTS

Friends of Theatre Arts is a very supportive group of parents and families who help the Theatre Arts Department with productions, transport, costuming and general activities with the Arts at PLC.

I would like to become a member of the Friends of Theatre Arts.

FRIENDS OF BOARDING

The Friends of Boarding meetings are scheduled once each term on the night students return from long holidays. All parents of boarders are invited to attend and immediate family members are also welcome. The Directors of Boarding and senior boarding staff will be in attendance at each meeting. Parents are encouraged to use this as a possible forum for discussions, to raise any issues of concern and to contribute positively to activities associated with boarding at PLC.

- I would like to become a Friend of Boarding and am willing to attend meetings.
- I can assist with Boarding House functions.

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any other suggestions on how you could contribute eg media contacts, catering expertise, specific project ideas, fundraising skills or perhaps you have gardening, landscaping, air-conditioning, building experience or other contacts. Please also give details of your business, training or other skills to allow the Parents' Committee to develop a **REGISTER OF RESOURCES** within the School community.

- Electrician
- Plumber
- Advertising/Marketing/Graphic Design
- Media
- Printing
- Catering
- Florist
- Sewing
- Wine/Beer Producer
- Hire Company
- Other
