

P&C Newsletter - Term 4 Week 5

Getting to Know our P&C Volunteers

Jennifer Pai- Canteen Convenor

Hi there! My name is Jennifer Pai, and I'm currently the Canteen Convenor at BPS.

My volunteering adventure began back in 2017, when my eldest (Micaela - who is now in year 8) started kindly at BPS and I found myself drawn to helping out at the school (also because I had major separation anxiety and really needed to see how my child fit in!). Fast forward to 2020, when my little one (Felicity - now in year 5) also joined BPS. After a year of lockdown (I'm sure we all remember), in 2021, I suddenly had a lot more time to spare - and that was when I officially took on the role of Canteen Convenor, a position I absolutely love!



In the beginning, my main motivation for taking on this role was to show my daughters the importance of giving back to our community. I wanted them to see that even small acts of service or kindness can make a big difference. Plus, I get to work with an incredible team - affectionately known as the "Dreamteam." Our managers are kind, considerate, super-efficient, and extremely creative (if you haven't already noticed); they have made my job a breeze! On top of that, we have a wonderful team of canteen assistants doing exceptional work, delivering everything from sandwiches to hot foods to yummy treats. I don't mean to boast, but our canteen really is one of the top canteens in the area (I have surveyed many parents from other schools).

When I first started as Canteen Convenor, I was also offered the Canteen Assistant role (now you can see how much manpower we need in our P&C). This dual role gave me a unique perspective on the canteen's operations, allowing me to spot areas for improvement and make changes quickly - if you haven't noticed already, efficiency is something I value greatly!

I have experienced wild lunch rushes, managed hungry kids at the counter, and watched with compassion as students braved long queues on scorching days when everyone was after a cold treat. Trust me, keeping the kids in line is sometimes harder than whipping out 300+ lunch orders! Hats off to the teachers for their patience.

What I love most about volunteering as Canteen Convenor are the friendships I've made, the laughs and chats, and getting to know the school staff on a whole new level. These are memories I'll always cherish. And nothing beats the pride I feel when my daughters see me in the canteen, "being all professional and doing work that makes a difference they can see - and eat."

If you're considering joining the P&C family, I wholeheartedly encourage you to jump in! It's so fulfilling to see the impact you can make, no matter how small. After all, "many hands make light work" - and together, we really do make a difference (one lunch order at a time!)

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P&C Annual General Meeting (AGM)

The P&C AGM is happening next week - **Wednesday, 19th November**, in the school library. Please join us from **7pm** for drinks and nibbles (lovingly prepared by our fabulous Canteen) as we reflect on what an amazing year we've had. And it's not too late to put your hand up for a role.

Each year, the P&C elects a President, two Vice Presidents, a Treasurer and a Secretary plus up to six non-office bearer roles. If you're interested in volunteering for a committee role or would like more information, please contact [Khuong](#) or [Susan](#).

Or if you're interested in finding out more about volunteering opportunities within the subcommittees that support delivery of the P&C's amazing services, please get in touch. There are many roles that require a diverse range of skills - Convenors, Treasurers, Coordinators and many, many more!



Come join us for drinks & nibbles
as we look back over the year and
elect the 2026 committee!

P&C 2026 Membership

The P&C committee works closely with our school, parents and teachers, to make our school an even greater place for our children. We invite all current BPS parents & teachers to be involved with the P&C.

- Current 2025 P&C memberships will expire on 19 November 2025.
- To continue being a member of the P&C or for new members wishing to join (which allows you to be involved in the decision making processes for the P&C and receive a copy of any presentations made), please pay your \$1 membership fee via Qkr!

BECOME A

MEMBER

Join via Qkr!

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Canteen Bites *Jenny & Irene - Canteen Managers*

Hi everyone! It's hard to believe we are halfway through Term 4!



On some days the weather has been very warm and the canteen is making sure there are plenty of cold / frozen items to buy at recess and lunch. These range from frozen pops, jellies and sorbets at recess and Quelch sticks, frozen pops, frozen juice cups, Moosies and slushies at lunchtime.



Just a reminder that when making Birthday orders of Quelches and/or muffins, they need to be made on Qkr at least three weekdays prior to the delivery date.



As always we are very happy to have extra volunteers to help in the canteen - especially as we will be busier as we get closer to Christmas.

If you would like to help us please contact Jenny or Irene at beecroftpscanteen@gmail.com

Thank you for your support

P&C Calendar – Term 4

Fri	14/11	3-6 Disco
Wed	19/11	P&C AGM in the library
Fri	28/11	Band & Strings End of Year Performance



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Band & Strings Update *Jen & Charmaine - Band & String Convenors*

Would you like to join one of our String Ensembles in 2026?

If your child is considering joining the Training, Intermediate or Advanced String Ensemble in 2026, we warmly invite you to our Virtual Information Night where you can learn about the BPS String program from our exceptional String Ensemble Conductor, Katrina Papallo.

Please see the details below:

Date: Tuesday, 2nd December 2025
Time: 8:00PM

[Click here for Zoom link](#)

Meeting ID: 974 3164 6771
Passcode: 171682



Here is a picture of our Training String Ensemble who truly melted our hearts with their beautiful performance at last week's kindy orientation!

Training Band 2026 - Next Steps

We were thrilled with the fantastic turnout at our Training Band 2026 Try-Out afternoon! A huge thank you to our current ensemble students who generously showcased their instruments to welcome and inspire our new students.

NEXT STEPS: If you would like your child to join the Training Band next year, please complete the formal application form by **Friday, 14th November 2025 at 5 pm**. Note: this is NOT the same as the other google form you may have already completed to RSVP for the Instrument Try Out Day.

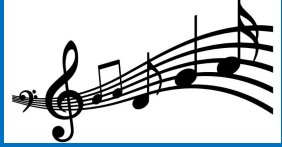
*** LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

If you have any questions in the meantime, feel free to reach out to our wonderful Training Band Recruitment Coordinators, Ada and Amy, at bpstrainingband2026@gmail.com.

Application Form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1GvrCeH0OIYLLYI3VUSHKQoetNIUbYy1b0hiuMff_dzg/edit



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Band & Strings Update *continued*

Band & Strings End of Year Concert - Get your tickets now!

Don't miss your chance to grab tickets early through Qkr and enjoy our special early bird price. 🎵✨

This joyful event is open to everyone—so gather your family and friends and join us for a magical celebration of music and community! We can't wait to celebrate with you! \$10 Early Bird tickets are available for purchase until Sunday 23rd November. After this date, tickets will be available at the door for \$18 (card only).



VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED for End of Year Concert

In order to put on a successful Concert, we urgently need more parent or older teenage sibling volunteers to help ensure the night runs smoothly. Please click on this [google form](#) to let us know how you can help. Thank you, it is much appreciated!

More photos from the Training Band Instrument Try-Out

