



Parents and Friends Association Annual General Meeting

We warmly invite you to join us for the Annual General Meeting of the Parents and Friends Association of John McGlashan College.

The meeting will take place on **Monday 13 March 2023 at 7:00pm** in the Edgar Learning Centre. You can also join on Zoom*.

After the meeting, we will be hosting a get-together to welcome new members and enjoy some nibbles. We want to recruit new members, particularly new parents and boarding parents. We're also looking to fill some 2023 Fete roles. Our Treasurer's stepping back in 2024, so you're extra welcome if you have accounting skills!

* Join Zoom Meeting. Topic: JMC Parents and Friends Association AGM. Mar 13, 2023 07:00PM
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87026313303?pwd=VW9Oa0NOcnRFaGkyWkMvWnNYMERVUT09>

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About the Parents and Friends Association

The Parents and Friends Association (PFA) is an active group of parents who support the John McGlashan community through fundraising and community events. We meet monthly during term times in the Edgar Learning Centre, but members from outside Dunedin or who are isolating can join by Zoom.

The PFA provides an excellent opportunity for parents to meet new people, share ideas, and contribute to college life. Staff representatives, including Brendan Porter (Assistant Principal) and Neil Garry (Principal), provide updates on school events and issues. Board members attend sometimes to provide updates.

Our primary goal is to raise funds to support school-wide projects. Our major fundraising events include the annual raffle and the September College Fete, which incorporates a Silent Auction. In 2022, these events raised over \$70,000. Smaller fundraisers are also held, and parents are charged a voluntary fee to support the PFA's efforts.

We aim to help fund one major project each year, and in 2022-24, we are supporting the exciting development of the new Te Anau Downs Campus. In recent years, major funding has gone to projects, such as the Food Technology room, a Virtual Reality Suite, tennis court lighting, refurbishing the sports changing rooms, and putting audio-visual screens into the Chapel.

The PFA also holds four funding rounds per year, where teachers, departments, teams, clubs, and individuals can apply for funding. In 2022, we funded various projects, including walkie-talkie radios for tramping and outdoor activities, a vacuum pump and bell jar apparatus for science, promotional resources for the Arts, picnic tables for the Quad, generic sports uniforms, the Year 10 Arts week,

and PFA Citizenship awards for Junior Prize Giving. Additionally, the PFA supported various teams and clubs, including Volleyball, Hockey, Rowing, and Junior Young Farmers.

Overall, the PFA of John McGlashan College is an excellent way for parents to get involved in the school community, meet new people, and contribute to the school's success. If you are interested in learning more or getting involved, please contact us at jmcpfa@gmail.com.

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Chair, Parents and Friends Association