Dear Parents/Carers

On behalf of the Parents’ and Citizens’ Association (P&C), we would like to welcome you and your family to Earnshaw State College. The P&C is involved in the following areas within the College:

**TO KEEP UP-TO-DATE ON P&C ACTIVITIES, YOU CAN**:
- Attend P&C meetings, held on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm.
- Sign up for the College eNewsletter by emailing Jill Antuar at jantu3@eq.edu.au. Alternatively, hard copies are available for those without an email address.
- Read the P&C noticeboard, outside the uniform shop.
- Contact the P&C on 36217328 (if no answer, please leave a voicemail message), or email pandc@earnshawsc.eq.edu.au.

**TUCKSHOP (phone 36217327)**
- Located in the undercover area.
- Open 8:30am to 2:00pm daily.
- Our main aim is to provide a healthy, varied menu for our children, while endeavouring to keep our prices as reasonable as possible.
- Lunch breaks are from 11:30am to 12:20pm and 1:30 to 1:50pm.

**BOOKSHOP (phone 36217326)**
- Located in lower D Block.
- Open daily 8:35 to 9:15am, except during peak times when extended opening hours apply.
- For all your stationery and book pack requirements.
- Hats and bathing caps are also available.
- Lay-by program for stationery available.

**FUNDRAISING/GRANTS**
- The Grant and Fundraising Group support students and the school community by identifying fundraising opportunities and preparing applications for grant funding.
- If you would like to assist us in this area, please contact the above phone number or email address, leave your name and contact details.

**CRAFT GROUP**
- Thursday mornings from 9:00 to 10:30am, in ‘D’ block lower level.
- Items made for Mothers’ and Fathers’ Day stalls.
- Alternatively, if you would like to donate craft items, materials etc, it would be appreciated.

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC SUPPORT GROUP**
- Parents, caregivers and any interested community members come together to assist the Instrumental Music Teacher with the various activities associated with the Instrumental Music Program at the College.
- Over the years we have successfully applied for grants, allowing us to add new instruments and replace old ones that are not covered by Education Queensland funding.
- We also assist with fundraising for transportation of students and their instruments to various competitions and community performances. Some music camps and other activities are also subsidized by our fundraising.
- Meetings are usually held once a term and new members are always welcome.
SWIMMING CLUB

- Operates during Terms 1 and 4, weekly on Friday nights.
- Competitors of all ages and standards compete in races for each stroke, aiming to improve on their personal bests and accrue points towards trophies at the end of the season.
- Gives students experience in the race conditions that they will face when competing for the school at District and Zone levels.
- Although competition is encouraged, it is done in a fun and relaxed atmosphere.
- There are jobs, such as timekeeping, that parents can participate in, but it's not all work. Adults can also participate in races. The children seem to enjoy the added competition, to better the times set by an adult or parent.
- A reasonable season membership fee is payable, but prospective competitors can come along one Friday night and participate without charge, to see how the club operates and enjoy the atmosphere.

Your assistance with one or more of the P&C’s activities listed above is always needed and appreciated.

Sincerely

The P&C Executive