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What Happened At P&C? – September 2020

Dear parents and carers

We had an excellent evening meeting this month via Zoom. Thanks to those parents and community members who attended online. We covered a number of topics:

- **Attendance:** We have a focus on attendance this year. Students should be attending school 100% of the time unless there is a medical issue. We have some new school staff following up on attendance, in particular, for Year 7 and Year 8. You may receive a phone call from time to time from our school staff to help encourage the best possible attendance.
- **Student Support Officer (Youth Worker):** Welcome to Jonathan Brancati who is our new Student Support Officer. Jonathan comes to our school with experience in a similar role at another high school. His role includes taking some of the caseload off school counsellors, working with students and building connections with external agencies.
- **Tell Them From Me Survey:** Jane Carter, Head Teacher – Professional Practice, provided an overview of this survey. We currently have around 9% of parents who have completed the survey and are aiming for many more voices to be heard. P&C members are asked to try to make contact with another five parents to ask them to complete the survey. This survey is important to help shape our future directions.
- **EAL/D Survey:** Stephanie Haskett, Deputy Principal, spoke about the EAL/D survey which will be sent to parents. Parents are asked to complete this survey so we can evaluate our work in this area.
- **Strategic improvement plan:** The school has started to write its situational analysis, which is the first step in creating our 2021-2024 strategic improvement plan. The first strategic direction will be 'student growth and attainment' and we will come back to the P&C with our other draft strategic directions at our next meeting.
- **Merit selection panels:** Parents who are able to serve on merit selection panels are asked to contact the school. During the year, we typically run around five merit selection panels to employ teachers and we are on the lookout for any new parents who might be willing to assist.
- **Uniform shop:** In the next week or so, the uniform shop will relocate to near the support unit. Parents are asked not to park on school grounds when accessing the uniform shop.
- **Student leadership:** Denise James, Deputy Principal, provided an overview of the process used to select our Year 12 captains, vice-captains and SRC representatives for Year 12 (2021). This involved an application, an online speech by applicants and a student/staff vote. We had a significant increase in the number of students seeking these formal leadership roles.
- **Next meeting:** The next P&C meeting will take place at 6:30pm on Monday, 2 November 2020. These meetings are for us to share information with you and we benefit from these meetings just as much as you. Your presence and ideas are what we need.

Thanks to everyone who logged into our meeting. I look forward to continuing to work with our parents and community members. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Kind regards

Mark Sutton
Principal



P&C MEETING

7 SEPTEMBER 2020

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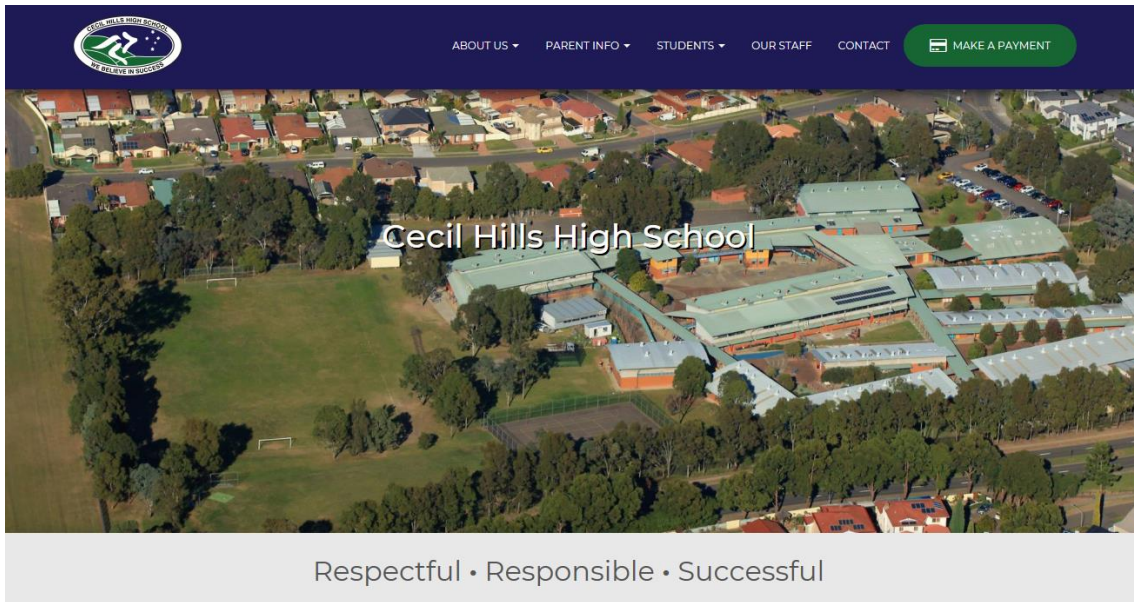


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Cecil Hills High School Careers on Friday

Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships Information Service

Events for the next 14 Days

18.09.2018
UOW Year 12 Information Evening - Liverpool

18.09.2018
Parramatta Army Combat Information Session

19.09.2018
WEP Student Exchange Information Session - Sydney (Surry Hills)

19.09.2018

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Communication



***update your
email address
with the school***

Every day

COUNTS!



School success starts
with attendance

Attendance

- 200 school days each year
- 13 years of school education
- 2600 school days in total (200 x 13)
- 90% attendance = 2340 out of 2600 days

**90% attendance means
260 days or 1.3 years
of education would be missed**

New Staff

Jonathan Brancati

**Student Support Officer
(Youth Worker)**



Tell Them From Me Survey



Jane Carter

Head Teacher – Professional Practice

Tell Them From Me - Parent Survey



What is the Tell Them From Me Parent Survey?

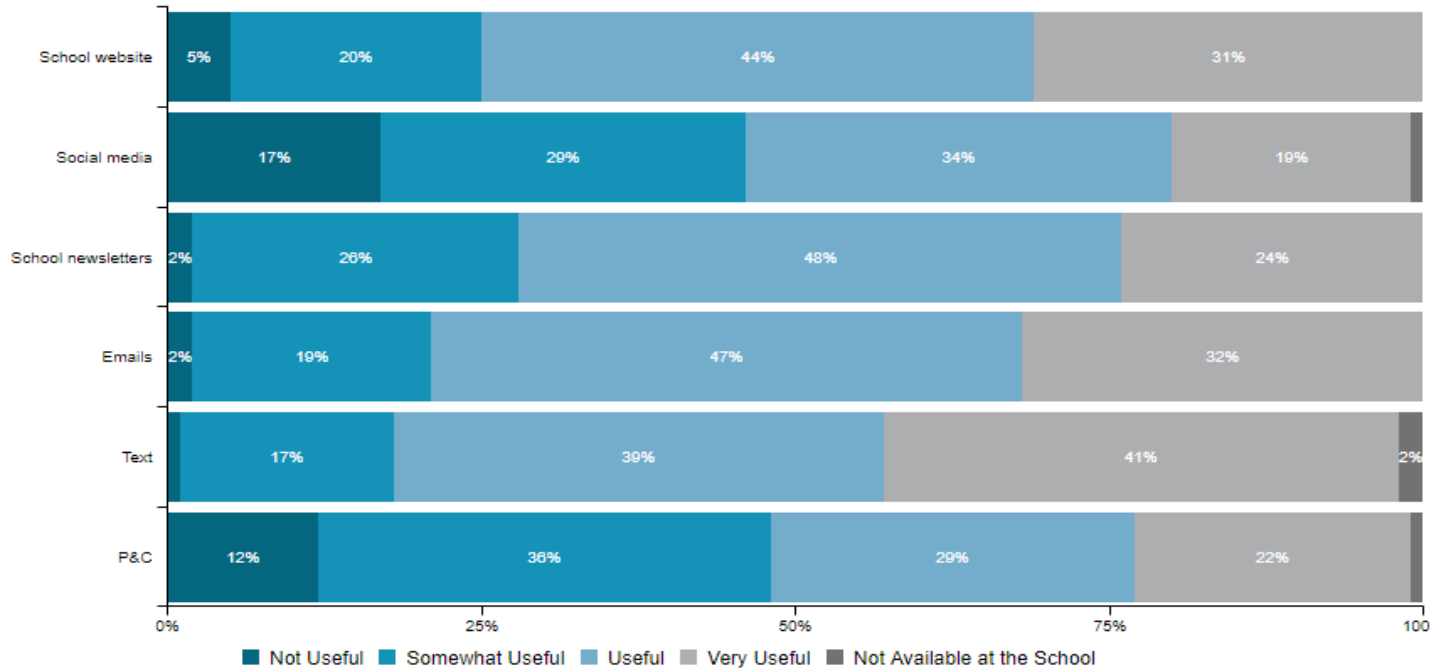
- A chance to have your say about the school in an anonymous setting
- An opportunity to provide feedback on your child's learning experience
- The perfect chance to influence the next planning process for Cecil Hills High School (new school plan begins next year)



Tell Them From Me

Useful communication about school news

Please tell us how useful you think the following types of communication are for finding out news about the school.

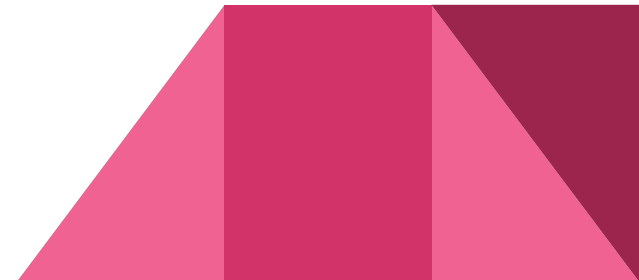


What we see...

Taken from 2019 CESE
Parent Survey

The more we know the more we can do

- Currently only 9% of parents have completed the survey
- To ensure we have an accurate reflection of the trends in opinions/ ideas we need a higher percentage of parents participating in the survey



We need your help...

Connect with 5 (or more) parents and encourage them to complete the survey. Tell them why it is so important for parents and caregivers to have their say about the school.

You can do this in a variety of ways, phone calls, text messages, social media messages, if you bump into them at Woolworths etc.

Send them the link:

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/cecilhillshighschoolparent2020>



EAL/D Survey



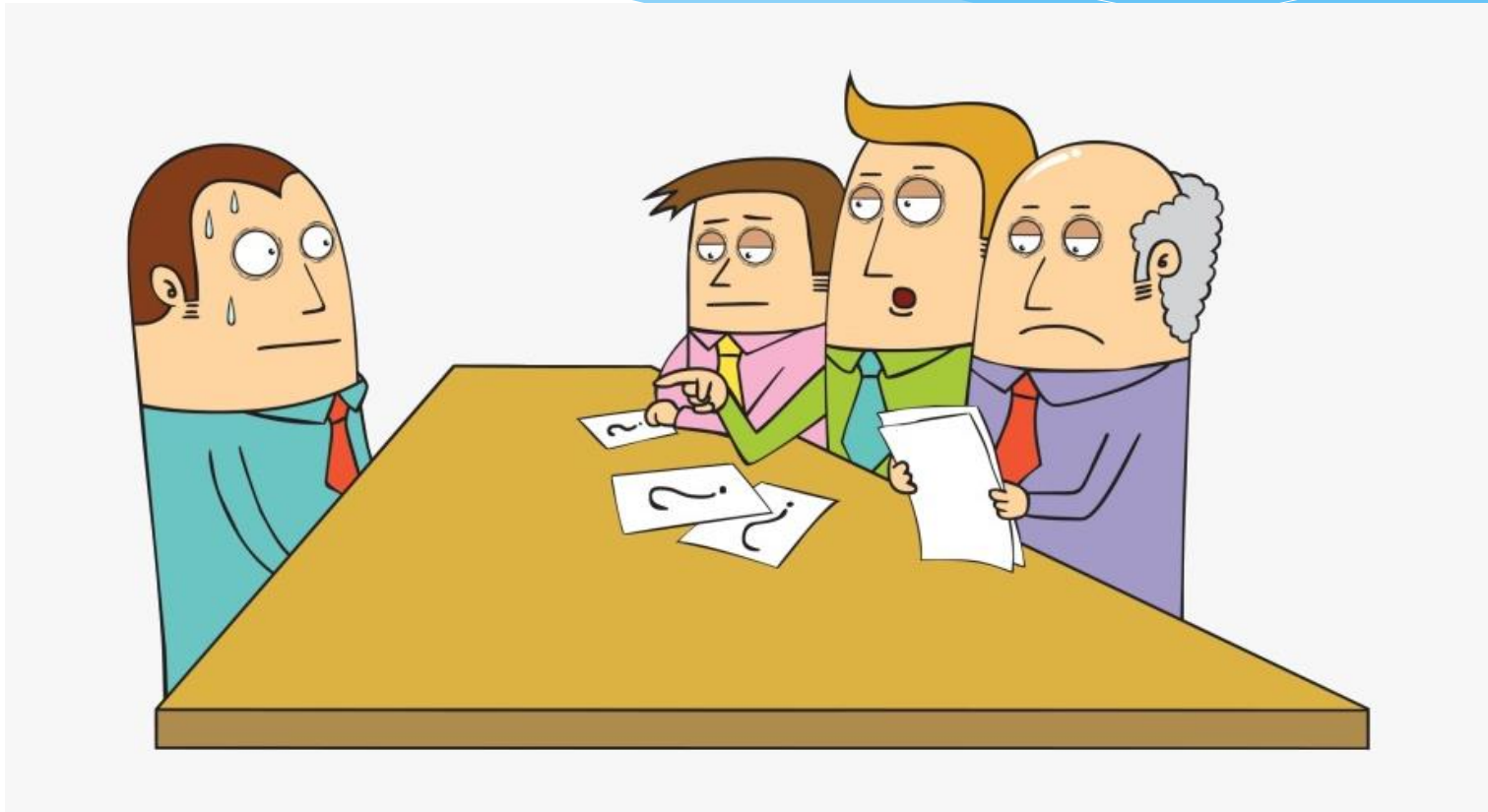
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Stephanie Haskett

Deputy Principal

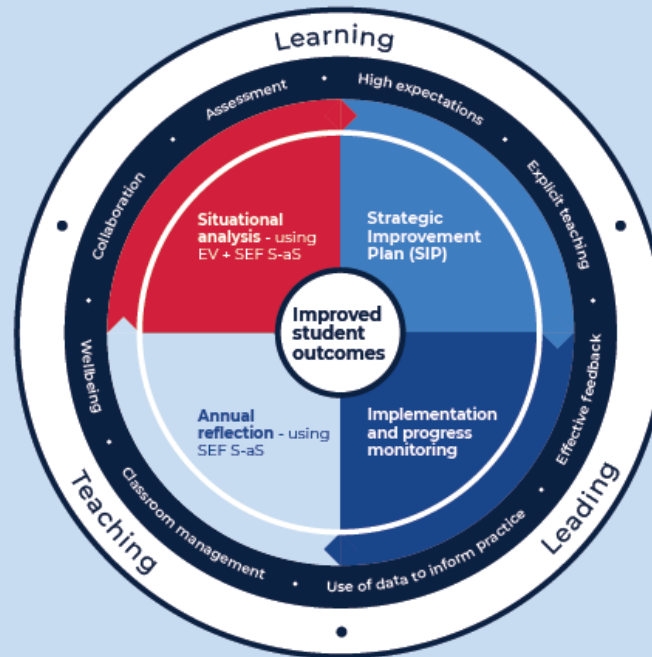
Merit Selection Panels



<https://education.nsw.gov.au/about-us/careers-at-education/employment-opportunities/participate-on-a-selection-panel>

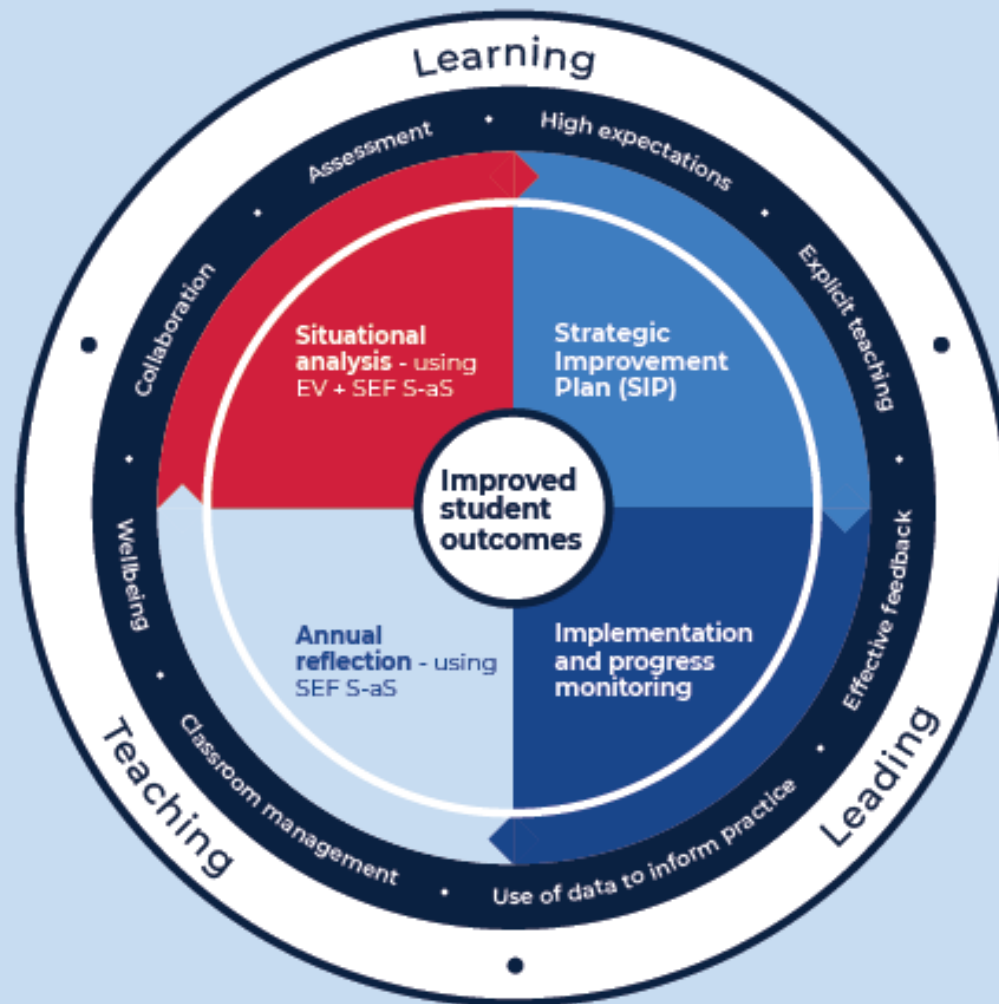
2021-2024 Strategic Improvement Plan

The School Excellence cycle



- School Excellence Framework domains
- What works best (CESE)
- School Excellence cycle

The School Excellence cycle



○ School Excellence Framework domains

● What works best (CESE)

● School Excellence cycle



2021-2024 Strategic Improvement Plan

1. *Student growth and attainment*

2.

3.

New Uniform Shop



- relocated to outside the Support Unit near the carpark
- parents asked to park off-site
- students can access during break times through the front office (check in/out)
- online ordering still preferred

<http://daylightsportswear.com/cecilhills/>

Student Leadership



Denise James

Deputy Principal



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A wellbeing platform for schools supporting parents


SchoolTV is a world first, wellbeing platform featuring Dr Michael Carr-Gregg. It addresses the modern day realities faced by schools and parents who increasingly need clear, relevant and fact-based information around raising safe, happy and resilient young people.

Whilst there is a great deal of information available, this can often be confusing and overwhelming for parents looking for guidance. SchoolTV addresses this issue. It is an online resource designed to empower parents with credible, sound information with realistic and practical strategies.

SchoolTV is a school branded resource that is available through subscribed schools thus allowing parents to access information on individual topics.



Exploring Teens (Online Magazine)



Exploring Teens - Issue 8 - February/March 2016

Exploring Teens is a print and online parenting magazine for parents of teens. Featuring high-quality editorial, it is distributed free in Sydney and NSW. The focus topic for this issue is on Transito... [Read Full Description](#)

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- **magazine is produced every two months**
- **Facebook page regularly links to useful articles on teenagers and education**

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Our Next Parent Meeting

6:30pm on Monday, 2 November 2020

Questions



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PRESENTATION
WILL BE
EMAILED
TO YOU**