



The President  
Parents and Citizens Association

Dear Madam/Sir

**Re: 5 - 9 September 2022 Celebration of PSA Schools Recognition Week**

Each year the Public Service Association encourages the school community to celebrate the contribution of support staff to the success of the school and to all students' education.

This year, more than ever, whether they work in the office, the library, the school grounds, supporting the wellbeing of students or in the classroom, all school support staff have played an important role in their communities. For many schools, these staff are the heart of that community, connecting with and supporting everyone.

They have moved swiftly to roll out rapid antigen tests to students, maintained important COVID-19 records, worked on flood recovery programs for students and staff, as well as ensuring the essential functions of schools are maintained and vulnerable students supported in the classroom throughout these turbulent times. The commitment and perseverance of our members to their school communities has been nothing short of remarkable.

That is why this year's theme for PSA Schools Recognition Week is *Essential to Schools, Essential to the Community*.

PSA Schools Recognition Week is an opportunity to show the appreciation of the school community. Over the years, parents at schools across the state have said thank you in many different ways such as:

- Organising an activity such as a morning tea or lunch
- Thanking all Support Staff in the P&C newsletter for their contributions
- Organising thank you letters or photos from students that can be displayed on the website or social media
- Sending flowers to the office say thank you.

The PSA urges you to support Recognition Week and to organise or participate in activities that celebrate them and recognise their work, professionalism, contributions and dedication to the school community.

Yours sincerely,

Stewart Little  
**General Secretary**

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