



17th May 2021

Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Lynda Kadegis, Kirsty Neil, Angela Thorpe, Charlene Carr, Nikki Paton, Emma-Jane McFarlane

Staff Present: Dawn Simpson, Gina Harrington, Caroline Barrett

Apologies: Tracy Boyle, Cheryl Burnett

Invitees: Cllr Margaret Cowie, Cllr Robert Brown

1. Welcome by the chair

Lynda welcomed everyone and thanked them all for joining this evening.

2. Minutes from last meeting

Accepted and agreed with PC members present. Proposed by Charlene, 2nd by Nikki.

3. Head Teacher's report

Covid update

- Covid rules remain in place throughout the school.
- Continuity of learning packs are still in use for children who need to self-isolate.
- P1 and P7 transitions will all remain virtual.
- Gina Harrington has been offered and accepted the position of Principal Teacher.
- Mrs. Sistrunk's final day before she heads to her new position of Principal Teacher in Cathkin Primary will be Friday the 21st of May.
- Miss Mitchell will take on the class teacher role for P1a for the remainder of the term.
- P1 cap of 18 has been changed to 25.
- There are a few placing requests waiting to be finalised but we are looking at having 8 classes next year.
- Dawn Simpson has been attending the Head Teacher meetings and Learning Community meetings.

- Dawn Simpson and Gina Harrington have attended PEF training.
- Participatory fund comes from 5% of the PEF budget. There will be a group of pupils who will make suggestions on how to spend the fund then it will be voted on.
- Attainment challenge reports are ongoing.
- Miss Mitchell has attended Science training.
- All teachers are now trained in the Attachment Theory.
- Fiona Bartholomew, Barnardo's, and Lucy Corbishly, Place 2 Be, are still working with pupils and their families.
- Nursery parents' meeting calls have now all taken place.
- Breakfast club is back. Forms must be filled in to allow children to attend.
- We are promoting the school app and the school twitter page to new P1 parents.

4. Treasurers report

Balance £1181.09.

No monies in or out this month.

5. Communication

We will arrange some Zoom meetings for all parents/carers to join to get to know the PC and what we do and the school will put out a message via email, twitter or parent mail to let everyone know. We will arrange a separate Zoom meeting to discuss possible new ways to fundraise.

6. AOB

- There are no changes, as yet, to the Covid guidelines for the 21/22 school year.
- Cllr Brown asked Dawn Simpson if we knew about the additional funding available to go towards the Covid recovery fund. Dawn Simpson confirmed that we have not been given any additional funding as yet.
- Angela asked Dawn Simpson if there were any other plans for the P7 transition. Dawn Simpson confirmed that the P7s will not go to Cathkin but Mrs. Blair will visit them in Loch.
- Graduation for the P7s will hopefully take place virtually. This will go ahead be able to go ahead if all parents/carers give permission for their children to be filmed for the event.

Lynda ended the meeting by thanking all who attended and scheduled the next meeting for MONDAY 14th of JUNE at 7PM on Zoom or Microsoft teams.

MEETING CLOSED