

# 8th November 2021

# Parent Council Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Lynda Kadegis, Angela Thorpe, Emma-Jane McFarlane, Cheryl Burnett

Staff Present: Dawn Simpson, Gina Harrington, Caroline Barrett

**Invitees:** Margaret Cowie

Apologies: Charlene Carr, Kirsty Neil, Tracy Boyle, Nikki Paton

# 1. Welcome by the chair

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

# 2. Head Teacher's report

- Covid update no change to the previous restrictions.
- Parents and carers are requested to continue wearing a face covering while within the school grounds, unless exempt.
- Talk for writing programme is still going well.
- Miss Harrington is continuing with ICT training.
- Miss Simpson has been on Traffic Management talks. Plans will be on the school website soon.
- Miss Simpson has been to Head Teacher Meetings.
- Miss Harrington and Mrs Roy have been to Attachment Strategy Training.
- Participatory budget group are now helping to create the winning choice of a quiet space. Miss Harrington is currently drawing up plans for the quiet space.
- There is a push on attendance within the school. If attendance falls below 95%, the school will issue a letter to make parents aware of it and to offer support to raise attendance. Covid related absences do not count towards attendance.
- The Cost of the School Day mission statement it on the school website.
- The School Event Calendar is now on the school website. Although, is subject to change if restrictions change.
- School uniform collection has started in the school. CB can get uniform for the school from the resource centre's uniform collection. CB and Miss Simpson to liaise at a later date for that.
- Homework is ongoing and parents and carers are encouraged to help support the school with it.
- Nurture Focus Week was 2 weeks ago and all went well. It promoted the 6 principals of nurture with the pupils.

- Interim reports cards have been issued.
- P4-6 are enjoying the Boomerang Programme that focuses on resilience.
- Pupils and staff enjoyed the Halloween fun day. Miss Simpson thanked the parent council for arranging the Halloween Hamper raffle.
- P6 and P7 have enjoyed their return to John Wright Sports Centre.
- The Bridgeton Burns club is returning virtually this year.
- Virtual assemblies are continuing.
- The flu spray will happen on Thursday the 11th of November.
- The panto has been cancelled, are the PC able to help rearrange a virtual panto and will the Parent Council be providing selection boxes this year?
- Miss Motherwell got married at the weekend and is now Mrs Munro.

## 3. Treasurers report

Balance - £1077.09.

Money out - £16.36 for the Halloween Raffle

Money in - £297.50 from the Halloween Raffle (Profit of £281.14)

Current balance - £1358.23

Angela and Charlene will arrange treasurer's training and a day to go to the bank to do a name changeover. Emma-Jane and Angela will arrange to have Emma-Jane put on the bank account as the secretary.

#### 4. Communication

Parent meet & greet will be arranged.

We will arrange a flyer/leaflet to go in the school newsletter.

# 5. AOB

#### Fundraising -

- Current advice means that we are still unable to be in the school to hold events.
- A parents and carers meeting will be held online within the next week to bounce fundraising ideas around.
- Work out if online events would be possible for us.

#### Recruitment -

- With Lynda stepping down as Chair at the end of the calendar year, we will need to have a replacement Chair or have a rotating interim chair.
- We are looking to recruit more members into the Parent Council and will hold a parents and carers online meet and greet to let them know what we do.
- We will contact Lucy of Place2Be and Fiona of Barnardos to see if they will be guest speakers for our meetings.

### School Craft Fayre and Pictures -

- The school craft fayre and pictures will go through the app.

#### Parents Night -

- Parents' night will be held as 5 minute phone calls on Wednesday the 18th of November. Appointments are available on the app until Sunday the 14th of November at 3pm.

# Fundraising Ideas -

- Santa dash
- Christmas hamper

- Dress down days

Decisions on these will be made at a fundraising meeting within the next week.

Lynda ended the meeting by thanking all who attended.

Next meeting will be on the 10th of January 2022 at 7pm on Microsoft Teams.

**MEETING CLOSED**