**Port Ellen Primary School Parent Council**

**Minutes of Meeting**

**25th May 2017 6.30pm**

**In Attendance**

Mary Swanson, Sally Campbell, Maureen MacDonald, Katie Bonar, Bonnie Wood

**Parent Chair Welcome**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Apologies**

Sarah MacMillan, Maria Heads, Kate Brown, Maggie Harrison, Linda Kirkpatrick

**Minutes from last meeting**

Mary had asked Nicky Pate to come in to meet with Maureen or Maggie to discuss the shed project. He has not come in yet and Mary will contact him again to follow up.

All other Actions had been undertaken.

The notes of the previous meeting were proposed by Maureen and seconded by Sally.

**Fundraising**

The Parent Council will hold a fundraising stall at Laphroaig Open Day selling aprons and t-towels.

The schedule for the day was agreed with 1 hour timeslots for P7 pupils to act as hosts on the stall accompanied by two adults. Lifts to and from the school will also be arranged with a member of staff. Permission slips need to be arranged.

**Recipe Book**

Agreed to have it delivered in time for new August term and take the time to get it correct, full of recipes and well proofed and edited.

Going for 150+

Additional recipes could be sourced from Islay Hotel, Cyber and Sea Salt, Debbie Johnson, Ishbel Aitkin, Florrie MacAllister – Mary to chase up.

Katie to ask Mr MacIntyre for Lamb Keema recipe.

Maureen to do Kedgeree and Jambalaya

Nursery cheese straws recipe to be found

**Scrap Store**

Grant of £150 has been approved and the funds have been received.

Mary to speak with Gordon Currie and Nicky Pate and get concrete pad installed on site. Angus Bell could put up the shuttering for a 7x5 base.

Agreed the plan will be to get the base sorted first and then get Nicky on site to discuss with Maureen.

The grant is for £200 for the base and £100 for paint etc.

**Indoor Improvements**

Works are due to takd place in the summer holidays – the contract has gone out to tender so we don’t yet know who will be undertaking the works.

Lachie will be here throughout the summer holidays to open up and close the school during the school holidays. There will be extensive works to Port Ellen school resulting in a fabulous facility.

**Summer and End of Term Events**

Citizenship award – Maureen to ask Jo Clark to organise voting and Maureen to organise trophy.

Date for the interviews will be Thursday 15th June 9.30am

Action: Ask Maria if she will sit on the panel. Mary, Sally and Maureen to sit on the panel.

Sports Day – 8th June

Endeavor Fair – afternoon of grounds works inviting parents to come and help in school grounds.

P7’s will be having a 3 day induction at Islay High School

Friday 23rd Bowmore School asked if we would like to join them for a beach party on the White Hart Beach for the whole school including pre-5. All agreed it would be a nice idea.

Discussed ideas for mixing up the schools and having some fun beach games.

Thursday 29th Leavers Assembly with 5.30pm dinner at SeaSalt then back to school for a disco/prom 7-9pm Juice and Crisps to be provided.

Also discussed that P7’s could visit the pottery for a party to paint their own item £12 a child 1.5 hrs on a different day date TBC

**AOCB**

Maureen asked how parent council felt about £1200 for Community Play Things grant. Discussed the options of funding this through island based schemes. If we were a charity there would be further scope for funding.

Parental involvement strategy from the council. Maureen will send out to the parent council members

PEF funding is £1200 for each child that gets school dinners, to date received £9.600 pupil equity fund and will be used for setting up a new 0-5 session.

Hoping in new session to have 0-5 play along sessions one afternoon a week. Pre-5 staff will be employed to stay for that afternoon. Have experts in e.g. healthy eating, speech and language, parents will stay for the session. Staff are being trained in 0-3.

This is the last meeting of this session next meeting 24th August 6.30pm