**Port Ellen Primary School Parent Council**

**AGM Minutes**

**26th February 2020**

**Parents Chair Welcome**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**In attendance**; Mary Swanson, Tina Cunningham, Kate Brown, Maria Heads, Maureen MacDonald, Moira Shakespeare.

**Apologies**

Apologies were received by Bonnie Wood, Katie Bonar and Linda Kirkpatrick.

**Minutes from last AGM**

The Chair read through the minutes of the last meeting.

Maureen MacDonald proposed the minutes, this was seconded by Mary Swanson.

**Chairperson’s Report**

The Chair gave her report which is appended to these minutes.

**Headteacher’s Report**

Maureen MacDonald gave details of the 2019 attainment figures, see below;

**Overall**

2018 2019

**P1** 80% 88%

**P4** 83% 100%

**P7** 100% 83%

**Listening & Talking Reading Writing**

2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019

**P1** 80% 88% **P1** 80% 88% **P1** 80% 75%

**P4** 83% 100% **P4** 83% 100% **P4** 50%\* 60%\*

**P7** 100% 83% **P7** 88% 100% **P7** 100% 83%

(\*lower than national average)

The figures highlighted two areas requiring support needs, however there is a big jump in expectation for writing in P4 but the 60% is an area for focus.

Digital; Jo Clarke is now down to ½ week teaching in class with the support of Tissy Northcote and Ben Shakespeare. The 8 iPads have now been purchased. Jo also visited BETT festival and has now been given permission to purchase a 75inch interactive screen for P1 classroom to replace the existing overhead projector.

STEAM Room; Phase 1 is now complete. Phase 2 is the installation of cupboards and worktops – there will be a double width central worktop as an additional space for pupils to work.

Amy Hannett; Is the School's nurture mentor, using ‘Emotion Works’. Work will begin converting the Fab Lab into a ‘Health Hub’. There will be new seating and cushions with good ideas from Mrs Hannett to convert existing cupboards into usable spaces.

Gaelfest; will go ahead again this year, hopefully with the support from the MOD committee.

Mark Irwin; will be visiting the school on the afternoon of Thursday 12th March. Mrs Harrison will show him around, he was very impressed with the STEAM submission.

Compass; There will be more consultation with pupils, parents and stakeholders regarding the Schools new Vision and Values utilising the ‘Compass’ design.

Emergent Literacy; this is working well and enabling staff to see the gaps.

There are still ongoing issues with vandalism after hours in the school grounds, the Police have been involved but, on the whole, a very healthy year for Port Ellen Primary School.

**Treasurers Report**

The accounts were discussed.

The Uniform account has a closing balance of £853.94

The Fundraising accounts has a closing balance of £2367.83

See Treasurers report attached.

**Selection of new office bearers**

**Chairperson**

Tina Cunningham was proposed by Mary and seconded by Maria Heads.

**Secretary**

Bonnie Wood has agreed to continue, this was proposed by Tina Cunningham and seconded by Moira Shakespeare.

**Treasurer**

Maria Heads is happy to stay in position, this was proposed by Maureen MacDonald and seconded by Mary Swanson

**Vice Chair**

Katie Bonar is also happy to stay in position, proposed by Kate Brown and seconded by Mary Swanson.

**Other Members**

Kate Brown is happy to remain as staff member

Parent members are Linda Kirkpatrick, Moira Shakespeare with the addition of Louise Addison. Caroline Morris as co-opted member and Grace Gibson.

**Action;**

Maria Heads to change the signatories on the account to reflect the above changes

**A.O.B**

Many thanks to Mary Swanson who is standing down as Chairperson after 12 years. All her hard work is greatly appreciated, and she will be missed. Mary passed on her documents and good wishes to Tina who has now taken on the role.

**Date of the next ordinary meeting**

The date of the next ordinary meeting will be Wednesday 25th March at 6.30pm.