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| **Attending** | **Apologies** |
| Natasha NewcombeEmma MacTaggartMorven GemmellMaureen MacDonaldElizabeth FitzpatrickMaria HeadsAmy HannettColin Gordon | Joanne BeckettMegan ByresAmber McCuaigRosie GordonCoral McEachernMartin Armstrong Grace Gibson Tina CunninghamMhairi Drennan |

# Port Ellen Primary School Parent Council

Date: 18th September 2025 Start Time: 6.00pm Finish Time: 7.00pm

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| **Agenda / Parent Chair Welcome / Previous Meeting points.** |
| No points to discuss.  |

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| **School Improvement Plan** |
| A parent poster has been sent out, focusing on four areas around the PACE model. The main aspects are: **P** - Aspects of teaching and learning**A** - Spelling, number fluency, problem solving - pupil equity funding will be used for more universal reasons to bolster P1/2 phonics, P3+ Nelson spelling.**C** – Stem IDL**E** – Going for gold for RRS, implementing Makaton & reading schoolsMaureen also looked at free fruit for children who require this, through the new healthy tuck.The successful implementation of healthy tuck is being led by Captains & Vice Captains with supervision from an adult who is aware of children who get free fruit.  |

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| **Fundraising** |
| Fundraising this year, is there anything in particular, or just to have funds in the pot? – It was agreed to fund general expenses with a contribution towards the school trip & Santa gifts.A winter bingo was suggested as this always brings in a large amount of money – **Friday 14th November** Bingo night starting at 6.30 pm. This will take place at the school hall. A raffle was also suggested – a combination of this and bingo in November to maximise funds raised.Richard Cree – we still have night stays available to raffle off – to be raffled for a Valentine's fundraiser. P7 fundraising for their trip – could they organise their own fundraiser with the PC assistance? A meeting with P7 pupils on Friday, 24th October at 2.30 pm - Colin, Lizzie, Emma & Morven to attend. A suggestion of a static bike ride sponsorship – equivalent distance from here to Lochgoilhead, they need to take turns to ride this distance in the school hall throughout the day. 6th December – Waffle stand by PC & sell tickets for Santa for the school Christmas fair.  |

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| **School Trip** |
| Rough costing of this trip is £460 per pupil; payment plans have been set up with parents. The trip is to Lochgoilhead, with all pupils attending from PE primary. Any funds from PC would be greatly appreciated to reduce this cost for parents. It was agreed that we would contribute to this trip.  |

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| **Hut Update** |
| They have arrived! Maureen needs to speak to Georgie Crawford regarding the next steps to get these installed. Maria to speak to Susan regarding funds. |

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| **AOB** |
| **Dates for the Diary -** 11th & 12th December – Panto 17th December - Nativity18th December - Christmas disco 6.30 pm – 8 pm 19th December - School closes at 2.30 pm. Next meeting – 28th October 2025 @ 6pm |

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| **Actions** | **Who** | **Notes** |
| Order Bingo books  | Rosie Gordon |  |
| Float for bingo | Maria Heads  |
| Baking donations for Bingo | All – TBC nearer the time. |
| Waffle mix to be ordered for Christmas stall.  | Maria & Tina  |
| Autumn Bundle raffle prize | All to donate an item to create this bundle.  |
| Discuss payment for huts with Susan  | Maria Heads  |
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