

Loreburn Primary Parent Council Meeting

Tuesday 10th December 2013

Minutes:

- 1. Welcome** – Nickie apologised for the confusion about last week's meeting.
- 2. Present** – N. Reynolds, J. Denholm, A. McKie, L.Chambers and M. Dryborough
- 3. Apologies** – J. Steel, T.McCluskie, D. Barnard and W. Hollywood.
- 4. Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved.**
 - Correspondence – Nickie to file and retain the public liability certificate.
 - Dumfries Learning Town – Nickie has attended two meetings regarding DLT. She updated the group on the latest developments and parents have been encouraged to vote on their favoured proposal. Councillors will be voting on this matter soon.
 - Nickie attended the parental involvement meeting on behalf of the school. Arrangements for the appointments of cluster heads were explained but the main topic at the meeting was DLT. Each parent council member was given a copy of the school handbook to check.
 - Fundraising – Film nights have been organised for the New Year. The dates are 31st January and 27th February. There is also the possibility of a beetle drive in March. The Christmas hamper raffle has already taken place. For future charitable donations the constitutions will have to be checked.
 - Treasurer's report – Jim has pursued money owed from the education department. Two cheques should be on their way for £ 284.00 approx from Lesley Beck. Jim was thanked for this.
 - Head Teacher's report –

It was suggested that Emma the modern apprentice could be asked to be the clerk for the parent council. This has been done and Emma has said yes.

As Tuesday meetings don't suit everyone it was suggested to have a rota of different evenings. Future meetings will also be set in advance.

Lynn updated the council on the Spring Fling art project called 'Re-Coat'. There is the possibility that local artists could be involved in enhancing the appearance of the Heras fencing – more information to follow.

The new bus route was reviewed. Lynn plans to write to the authority objecting to the route on the grounds of safety. Everybody agreed to this. The street could become even

busier at the start and end of the school day. NR asked if pupils could have a refresh on their road safety knowledge.

Swimming- The swimming initiative to help non-swimmers is causing a lot of disruption to classes. Lyn will request that only primary 4 pupils go.

5. AOCB

There was a query about the lack of supply staff as it was mentioned in a recent newsletter. Lynn explained the current situation about the difficulties in booking supply teachers.

6. Date of next meeting – Wednesday 5th March at 7pm