**AGM Minutes of Parent Council Meeting held on Monday 11th September 2017 at 7pm**

**at**

**Castle Douglas Primary School**

**Present**: Lesley Andrews (Vice Chair), Jennifer Oliver, Eileen Hope (Clerk), David Tyson (Head Teacher)

Apologies were given from Amy Graham (Chairperson), Jill Maciver, Demi Powell & Ann Bell (Teaching Representative).

Vice Chairperson Lesley Andrews welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Election of Committee Members**

This did not take place due to the numbers attending. EH will send an email to confirm if everyone is happy with continuing their present roles.

**Matters Arising**

**Minutes of the previous meeting 22nd May 2017**

**Pupil Equity Fund**

Mr Tyson informed the PC that the school has bought in a Teacher for the year. The Deputes are currently running the Equity Fund.

The school has started a new Maths programme called Samson Maths which focuses on mental maths and traditional teaching of P1-P7. Mr Tyson is considering the option of arranging a parent rota for the ICT Suite for Sumdog.

The school is also looking into the possibility of changing the reading programme.

Each class teacher has been given a budget and has been asked to identify and target 3 pupils.

**Family Benefits**

At the previous meeting it was discussed that the Citizens Advice Bureau could hold a surgery for parents in the school. It was decided that the PC would contact Carol Benzie to talk about a place of contact and possibly an open night.

**Class Organisation**

This year there was a lower intake of P1’s and the school has an increased amount of composite classes which limits numbers. There are currently 7 spaces throughout the school.

**Dog Fouling**

The general consensus was that the dog fouling has very much improved in previous months. The PC is hoping with the darker months approaching that the problem does not resume again.

**P7 School Uniform**

A parent has approached the PC to consider changing the current P7 school uniform. Mr Tyson has said he will take a look at options available and consult the whole school and inform the PC of the findings at the next meeting.

**P7 Leavers Assembly**

A parent has expressed concern relating to last years P7 Leavers Assembly where most pupils received an award and a few pupils did not receive anything. Mr Tyson is going to speak to the current P7 teachers and discuss the assembly for the continuing years.

**Head Teachers Report**

Mr Tyson is looking into starting Development Groups which would include parental involvement. He will inform the PC of the progress at the next meeting.

**Treasurers Report**

As per previous minutes the balance is thought to be approx £385 in funds. We are awaiting confirmation of this year’s grant and the completion of the EOY Financial Statement for 16/17.

**AOCB**

Nil

**Date of Next Meetings - Monday 4th December, Monday 5th March & Monday 21st May at 7pm**