

Crossmichael Primary School Parent Council (PC)
Minutes - Thursday 16th April 2026 at 6pm at Crossmichael Primary School
Minutes taken by Larissa Wheeler

1. **Apologies** – Natalie Richards
2. **Attendees** – Ben Wild (Chair), Lucy Wilson (Treasurer), Larissa Wheeler (Secretary), Kim Glover (Headteacher), Hannah Green, Shani McMiken, Emma Howard
3. **Approval of minutes of last meeting** – Larissa proposed the minutes, seconded by Ben. They were accepted as an accurate record of the last meeting.
4. **Chairperson's Report** – Ben reported that it has been a great year overall with successful fundraising events. There has been significant funding that has been put toward the new play park and improvements for the playground.
5. **Head Teachers Report:**

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Head Teacher's Report

Attainment (predicted for May)

- Listening and Talking – 92% on track or above
- Reading 79% on track or above
- Writing 76% on track or above
- Numeracy and Maths 81% on track or above

Girls outperform the boys in all areas.

Next steps – look to continue to improve literacy attainment, in particular P2 to P5. Also explore the gender gap and reasons for this and how we can support boys attainment.

The authority will report the schools attainment data to Scottish Government on 8th June.

Pupil Equity Funding

PEF will continue for next year. Crossmichael receive £26590.

We use this to pay for a Learning Assistant to facilitate literacy and numeracy interventions. £250 is used to fund RDA sessions and £200 was used for the school residential trip. £2434.19 overspent by year end.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club continues to be a huge success. We have nearly 50% of our school roll attend Breakfast Club as some point over the week. On our busiest day we have approximately 20 pupils attending. This will continue to be funded this year and we still have some funding to spend. This includes the obvious food and staff costs but also items that can be used for breakfast club and else where in across the school. Mrs Clifton and Mrs Stitt have been invited to attend the King's garden party on Tuesday 30th June for their services to breakfast club and their role within our school.

Staffing 26/27

Our projected roll next year is 53 pupils, therefore we will remain with 3 classes. At the moment, teachers will remain in the same classes. This is due to our lead up to inspection. We have started Nursery/P1 transition visits and P1's will visit the school prior to their induction days. P7's have had visits from CDHS and will attend a HWB day on May 11th and then 3 days in June.

Stakeholder Survey Feedback

20 parental responses (some families responded per child)

Overall positive parental feedback

Key strengths include

Relationships and approachability

Quality of Learning and Teaching

Wellbeing and Care

Areas for development

Communication

Family Learning Opportunities

Clarity/consistency of how learning is shared

Other things to note- handling of bullying incidents

Next steps would include

Family learning on next year's SIP, what learning, when, what format would be beneficial?

Parent Friendly learning guides

Refresh of Positive Relationships Policy to sit alongside anti-bullying policy.

Pupils responses

47 Pupil responses (Open for P4 – P7)

Key strengths

Positive relationships with staff

Strong support for learning

Quality of Learning and Teaching

Very positive about their wellbeing and safety

Areas for development

Consistency in behaviour and relationships

Clearer about handling bullying incidents

Challenging Learners

Outdoor Learning Framework

Mrs Graham and Mrs Stevens have been working on a 3 year Outdoor Learning framework which will be progressive over each CfE level covering certain E's and O's relevant to seasons, weather, events etc.

Positive Relationships Policy

We have worked with pupils, parents and staff to re-draft our Positive Relationships Policy. A link to the draft will come out in the April Newsletter (tomorrow) for all parents/carers to read and feedback. Both parents and pupils were clear about the consistent consequences for dealing with poor behaviour. Discussion about when parents should be informed, suggestion of a yearly behaviour contract signed by parents and pupils. Staff are exploring a way to log restorative conversations so that we can identify key pupils, triggers, areas etc.

6. Treasurer's Report – Crossmichael Primary Parent Council Accounts for AGM 16th April 2026

Opening Balance as at 16th April 2025 £21,180.44

INCOME

24th April 2025 Additional grant from Foundation Scotland £500.00

28th April 2025 Money from School Bingo £280.50

28th April 2025 Return of Bingo Float £100.00

11th August 2025 Money Raised from Tesco Tokens £1,000.00

11th August 2025 Return of BBQ Float £100.00

11th August 2025 Money Raised from BBQ £460.51

12th December 2025 Return of Float £50.00

12th December 2025 Money Raised from Xmas Raffle £304.00

19th January 2026 Foundation Scotland £4,818.00

£7,613.01

OUTGOING

12th May 2025 Service Charge £4.25

30th May 2025 Reimburse L. Wilson for Bouncy Castle Hire £225.00

10th June 2025 Service Charge £7.94

23rd June 2025 Float for Summer BBQ £100.00

25th June 2025 Reimburse L.Wilson for BBQ food £201.83

1st July 2025 Refund School for Leavers Ties £59.00

11th July 2025 Service Charge £4.75

11TH August 2025 Service Charge £6.50

9th September 2025 Service Charge £4.25

10th October 2025 Robert Bullock (bench repairs) £28.00
13th October 2025 Service Charge £15.38
15th November 2025 Service Charge £4.25
9th December 2025 Service Charge £4.75
10th December 2025 Float Xmas Service £50.00
19th December 2025 Money to D&G Council for Playpark £21,958.39
12th January 2025 Service Charge £4.25
10th February 2026 Service Charge £8.74
13th March 2026 Service Charge £4.25
18th March 2025 Solway Direct for Picnic Benches etc. £3,287.14

£25,978.67

Closing Balance as at 16th April 2026 £2,814.78 (£1,530.86 left from grant)

7. **Fundraising** – Some funding was allocated to the purchase of playground benches which have now arrived and look great. The remainder of the funding will go toward painting the playground with various teaching aids and learning provocations, hundred square etc.
8. **Leaver's arrangements** – Kim will organise a leaver's meal in CD. Details to be confirmed, potentially Mon 29th. Kim will buy school ties and calculators from the school fund. The leaver's assembly is set to be Mon 29th June.
9. **PVG** – Carried forward, Ben to check rules around who needs PVGs during fundraising events.
10. **AOBs** – None.
11. **Date of next meeting** – TBC.