

Dalbeattie Primary Parent Council Meeting

20th April 2023

Present

Mrs Duncan – HT.(ED)

Mrs Howie – DHT(AH)

Valerie White (VW)

Amy Bell (AB)

Wendy Murray(WM)

Siobhan Stitt(SS)

Kim Kalotka(KK)

Tracey Hall. (TH)

Demi Burgess(DB)

Davie Stitt (DS)

Ian Blake (IB)

Jenna Whalen(JW)

Apologies

Katy McGimpsey(KM)

Justine Henderson(JH)

Stuart Mouat (SM)

Minutes of Meeting

- **Welcome**

VW welcomed everyone to the meeting. Actions from previous meeting:

No business to discuss from previous meeting

- **Head Teachers Report**

Dates for Diary – a list of all key dates would be given to parents via the school newsletter – including water safety, Reports, Sports Day, P7 Transition and the end of term service.

Coronation – In school events: treasure hunt 3rd, games 4th, picnic 5th May. Culminating in the Big Help Out – 8th May

Staffing – Miss Warren P5 left post – replaced by Mr Caldow until the summer.

- Advertisement for Temporary Nurse manager – Maternity leave cover
- Mrs Howie reducing to two days
- Advertisement for Deputy Headteacher x3 days or x3 day depute and x2 days teacher –, interview process would require school council representation, Mrs Duncan to arrange panel from cluster – Mrs Howie to remain in post until a suitable candidate is appointed.
- Class organisation for next year underway – staffing dependent – Possibly 10 classes P1-7
- P1 intake lower than previous years
- No information on new Learning Support Allocation. – 25th May next Education Committee meeting possible update to come then
- Notification of retirement from one Learning Support Assistant
- Mrs Duncan to hold attainment meetings with class teacher
- End of term reports due 9th June
- Outdoor play equipment – information to be added to school newsletter when dates for installing are confirmed

- **Treasurers Report**

TH – Parent council overpaid by Council – received £697.60 need to pay back £529.20

Cheque made to DHS Science Dpt still to be cashed

Current account total - £1075.41

Mrs Murray to calculate cost of P7 calculators and P1 Book bags to be paid for by parent council funds

Possible uses of remaining funds – contribute to class trips (put money aside for next year to fund trips/buses), ice-cream/ice lollies to be given to all pupils on sports day or last day of summer term.

- **Fundraising**

Bingo Night – 6 – 6:30 start (3x3 games – raffle – 3x3 games)

12 prizes – 6 games prize for line and house

JW to organise tables (rows)

P7 helpers for help with refreshments (x10)

AB & WM to sort prizes – on dojo to be handed in by the 28th April

Email to be sent to parents regarding home baking – replies to LM in the office

Mrs Duncan – risk assessment

TH to get change £200 of £1

£100 of 50p

Tea towels and bags to be on sale

Tea Towels - Display at Initiative give 10 of each – Initiative to take 25% of any profit

Sell at sports day

Charity status – TH informs that it is a complicated process - decision not to proceed

Lottery Licence – Need to have if publicly running a lottery event – decided not worth it at this time of the year – VM to contact SM to find out more information.

- **Facebook Page**

Promotion of the Dalbeattie primary school page

Dojo for classwork/pupil photos – Facebook for sharing school information/active sports/information relevant to pupils/parent regarding clubs and events

Information to be sent to Mrs Duncan to be shared on social media

- **School Model**

All Schools/estate not fully utilised throughout the region

VM attended event on behalf of parent council – good, factual presentation – honest programme of consultation

VM sent a set of questions to answer – VM to make start and send out to parent council members for amendments/additions

TH to convert to Microsoft Word from PDF to make process easier to share

Responses to be in by May 3rd

- **Cost of Living**

Uniform order out – preloved available on Microsoft form

Extra preloved uniform to be given to the Foodbank for use – Mrs Duncan to speak to Donna McKnight about donations

AOB

Afterschool childcare provision?

Other Parent Councils looking into this possibility and possible solutions

Option of approaching established businesses eg “let’s Get Sporty”

VW thanked everyone for attending meeting.

Date of next meeting set for Thursday 14th September 6:30pm for AGM

