

Dalbeattie Primary Parent Council Meeting

18th April 2024

Present

Mrs Duncan – HT.(ED)

Valerie White (VW)

Kim Kalotka(KK)

Tracey Hall. (TH)

Demi Burgess(DB)

Davie Stitt (DS)

Ian Blake (IB)

Lyndsay Sloan (LS)

Helen Stone (HS)

Brenda Clayton (BC)

Paula McMinn (PM)

Apologies

Mrs Howie – DHT(AH)

Amy Bell (AB)

Jenna Whalen(JW)

Wendy Murray(WM)

Justine Henderson (JH)

Kim Lowe (KM)

Minutes of Meeting

- **Welcome**

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

No business to discuss from previous meeting

- **Head Teachers Report**

Term 3: Events / Activities – world book day, Bikeability, gymnastics camp, P6 Day of Dance, P3 Viking Visit, Lockerbie Manor, Disco, Care Home visit

Term 4 key dates to be shared with parents via the Newsletter

Information shared to parents about new uniform – this will include survey to Nursery parents about uniform discussed at last meeting.

All events shared with parents through the school blog

Inspection Report–

ED (HT) elements of the report that the school agrees and disagrees with.

Acknowledged support of the community who are largely positive about the school.

SLT working to support staff confidence after report and staff are working hard towards improvement.

DPS working with Education Officer Rachael Williams on Implementation Plans for the 4 main areas of improvement – including short, mid term and longer term goals for the school including

Creation of new Learning and Teaching Policy (Completed)

Assessment Framework – used term to term for attainment meeting (tracking)

Review of Visions, Values and Aims (Completed)

Observations

SHANARRI (Wellbeing Focus) – Pupils creating wellbeing characters

Pupil Voice – Friday focus group with ED opportunity for pupils

discuss learning/development/changes they want to make

Nursesey

Looking at nursesey environment – use of zoned areas – to reflect children’s interests (children included in the planning of zones)

Evidence displayed in Floor Books – showing children’s progression

Inspectors will return within the year of the report being published (13th Feb 2024)

VW – Huge thanks to ED and staff for the work they have done in preparation of inspection and moving the school forward.

Sharing of information with parents on a wide variety of platforms – no recommendations as of yet to replace ‘class dojo’

TH raised the possibility of the parent council paying for a new platform if one could be found – ED to speak to other Headteachers and look into possibilities

Financial Wellbeing – Caroline Cameron

Discussion around her new project to deliver financial support to hard to reach families – including benefit checks, housing, how to fill out forms...

Looking for the best ways to reach families – community groups/schools/social work/health visitors

TH advised that the best way would be through the use of social media – QR code to allow families to book a one to one visit and get advice

If social media campaign was created this could be shared through the school Facebook page

Treasury Report

Balance £2172.43

Total from coffee morning £853.90

- Deductions (raffle licence & hall hire) profit = £768.30

Cost of £100 to Ross Kennedy for the disco

£312.90 in school from the disco

-deductions of juice and crisps = £145.21

DB £121 from the Quiz

Parent council to supply tuck shop at Paul Jones Football Tournament 8th May at Dalbeattie Primary.

Costs to be deducted for P7 calculators and P1 Book bags – Mrs Murray will inform PC of how much it owes for this

Purchase of 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 (4 games – raffle – 4 games)

AB to organise jobs

AB to buy the supplies of tea/coffee/juice/sweets

ED to make risk assessment – reminder on night of no children climbing on the wooden block at the side

ED to organise P7 helpers for tuck shop

Prizes / tombola organised by DB (left over from coffee morning)

Parent Council Connect

VW reminded members that there were free courses available on this platform for parent council members should they choose to complete any

Constitution

VW shared possible amendments to the constitution in preparation for the AGM – mainly focusing on the inclusion of the nursery and a key aim of fundraising.

AOB

DS shared the agenda items for the Education Council Meeting including – Framework for Inclusion allocation, structure of the school week and learning for sustainability.

Discussion around dates of school holidays

Date of next meeting set for Thursday 19th September 7pm for AGM