Gelston Primary School AGM September 2020

Present Abby, Mary, Justine, Kay, Pam

Apologies

Emma, Abbie

Previous minutes reviewed and agreed no issues

Treasurer's Report

Opening balance - £3030.89 Expenditure- £675.47 Closing balance- £2355.42

Headteacher's Report

August

School Roll = 44 pupils School Improvement Plan targets:

- 1. Creating a Positive Relationships and Anti-Bullying Policy
- 2. Developing curricular programmes in Literacy and Language
- 3. Providing targeted support to raise attainment in Literacy and in Numeracy by using 'Closing the Literacy Gap' and 'Closing the Numeracy Gap'

All staff in CDHS Cluster Primary Schools were trained in restorative approaches to promoting positive relationships.

September

Ukulele for P5-7 pupils Operation Safety for P6/7 People Who Help Us visits from Emergency Services for P1-3 P7 transition started with PTs visiting pupils. We appointed Mrs G Benson as Clerical Assistant

October

Galloway Biospheres Project for P5-7 Halloween Party Autumn Walk fundraiser P7 transition for those working at Third Level of CfE in maths.

December

Pantomime – Cinderella Christmas Parties Christmas Service Our mixed team won 'Most Inclusive Dance' at the Stewartry Dance Competition

January

Burns Supper Scottish Poetry Competition Pupils started preparing for the School Show – 'Pirates of the Curry Bean'

February

INSET days - Teachers trained in 'Developing Number Knowledge' methodology for improving pupils' understanding in numeracy

Estimated grades for achievement of curricular levels in P4 and P7 in Literacy and Numeracy were higher than the Scottish Government's expectation of 85%

Estimated grades in P1 were over 85% for Numeracy but below 85% for Literacy (L&T, R and W)

We began targeted support for individuals to raise attainment in Literacy whilst also looking at the bigger picture of developing our curricular programmes in Literacy and English.

Gelston Achievement of a Level Predictions for June 2020:				
Numeracy	On Target (June 2020)		Not on Target (June 2020)	
P1	9/10	90%	1/10	10%
P4	6/7	86%	1/7	14%
P7	7/7	100%	0/7	0%
Listening & Talking	On Target (June 2020)		Not on Target (June 2020)	
P1	7/10	70%	3/10	30%
P4	6/7	86%	1/7	14%
P7	7/7	100%	0/7	0%
Reading	On Target (June 2020)		Not on Target (June 2020)	
P1	8/10	80%	2/10	20%
P4	6/7	86%	1/7	14%
P7	7/7	100%	0/7	0%
Writing	On Target (June 2020)		Not on Target (June 2020)	
P1	6/10	60%	4/10	40%
P4	6/7	86%	1/7	14%
P7	7/7	100%	0/7	0%

March

Schools closed from Friday 20th March due to Covid-19 Pandemic. Pupils, parents and staff began working from home. Drax Chromebooks were given to families who required a device. Headteachers, Principal Teachers and support staff worked in the Emergency Childcare Hubs. Our school community did a wonderful job of adapting to working from home and I would like to thank you very much for your engagement and support.

Staff continued to work in the Hubs from 20th March until the schools re-opened on 10th August 2020.

August 2020

School roll is currently at 38 pupils.

We have successfully received a grant from Castle MacLellan Foods for £400 to go towards improving the outside infant play area. Thanks to Marta (Natan's Mum) for putting us in touch with them.

School Fund

Balance at year end = \pm 1,609.32. (Opening Balance \pm 2219.24, Spend \pm 3140.20, Income \pm 2530.28).

Devolved School Management Budget

The DSM balance at the end of 19/20 was £2612.99. (Allocation was £3058 plus £1114 carried forward. Actual spend was £1559.01).

PEF Budget

Allocation was £4800 and this was spent in full.

Thank You

I would like to say a huge thank you to our Parent Council for your support this year and special thanks to our Chairperson, Abby.

Election of Office Bearers

As Abby has resigned as Chair we have been unable to elect a replacement Chair person at this point. The decision was made to share the responsibility between the current office bearers over the next year.

October to Christmas - Justine Christmas to Easter - Pam Easter to end of summer term - Kay

Our focus this year will be to enhance our fundraising efforts by looking for grants and approaching local businesses to help towards the goal of building an outdoor classroom.

Next meeting date to be set for after the October break