

J.Gregg

Rephad Parent Council Meeting

Date: 19.01.2023

Time: 6.30pm



Parent Council

Rephad Primary
School & Nursery

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Attendees: J.Lee (Chair)K.Logue, A.Pritchard, G.Lee, B Dashper, F.Wither, J.Gregg, S.Watson, M.Baird,S.Roberts, F.Shannon and R.Thomson.

Apologies- C.McDevitt, L.Brown

1. Feedback from Fundraising sub-committee

J.Lee (having discussed with D.McClintock) informed the group that as there were no immediate plans for fundraising the sub group were happily waiting until their support is needed.

J.Lee raised the possibility of having scheduled fundraising throughout the school year to ensure that there will not be any 'cross-over', between the school fundraising and the Parent Council- this was agreed by Mrs Logue and so Term 1 and 3 will be given over to school fundraising/enterprises and the subsequent two terms (2/4) will be when the Parent Council will raise funds.

J.Lee also raised the possibility of having a 'Parent Council Newsletter', which would outline events, and spending of funds etc. This was agreed by present members.

2.Feedback from Treasurer

G.Lee detailed the breakdown of costs/revenue from each of the two school accounts.

1st account is where the funds raised from events are banked whereas the 2nd account holds the funds given by the council so the amount rarely changes.

The Christmas fayre raised £644 and Christmas cards a further £230 and so in the 1st account there remains £3421.47

There still remains an outstanding invoice for the Millenium centre for £18.

G.Lee discussed the fees paid to Montpellier for account preparations and suggested a change in accountant service. S.Roberts suggested she may have a contact.

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3.Feedback from Mrs Logue

Mrs Logue detailed the ways in which the school plans to fund buses for trips through class enterprise (a tuck shop and pre-funday stalls). If there is any money left over it will then be used to replenish outdoor equipment/toys for the playground.

The implementation of the Rights Respecting Schools throughout the School and Nursery was discussed with details of pupil interaction through 'steering groups', pupil council and J.Lee and also the need for volunteers from the parental body.

Mrs Logue referred to the RRS website for any further queries or questions as to how it is being embedded within the existing curriculum and details of how the Scottish Government expectations lead to its introduction at Rephad.

[The Rights Respecting Schools Award | UNICEF UK](#)

4.Councillor Ben Dashper

Ben detailed his work with the youth council with regard to the changing legislation surrounding UNCRC. The Education committee would also be meeting to discuss School transport as an issue as well as ASL staff allocation within our schools. Details appear on the Dumfries and Galloway Council website

[Home page - Dumgal - Dumfries and Galloway Council](#)

5.Chairpersons feedback to the committee.

*Afterschool clubs-

J.lee outlined plans to send a questionnaire to parents regarding the attendance of afterschool club and what the 'motivating factors' are. Also a survey for Children asking for ideas and suggestions for types of clubs.

The hope is to use parent/carer volunteers to support this, K.Logue mentioned about the cost of PVG for un-disclosed adults (£18 for adults who hold a PVG for other group/purpose and £65 for an adult who has no PVG)

S.Roberts offered to help with a gardening club.

*Schedule of spending funds/applying for funds

It was identified that some P.C funds being spent on a variety of reading materials (different text types- kids newspaper, non-fiction, comics/annuals,magazines etc) would be beneficial to the children and would support the schools recent funding for classroom libraries.

Possibly paying money for an author visit or something similar would be a valuable use of funds and foster a positive ethos around reading in school, this would be supported by a reading club.

Funds could be given over to pay for resources for clubs such a baking/cooking club. It was suggested that Tesco often support community groups with this type of cost. J.Lee suggested PCouncil members may take part in applying for funding for various items for the school as there are often many options of support available.

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AOB-

M.Baird- Received £500 from E.Cook fund, she detailed the plans she has for a quiet area in the school garden which would have soft planting, sensory related plants and possibly even a water feature. N. Dampney has offered her support in facilitating this.

K.Logue- Mrs Logue outlined some plans she has been discussing with the children with regard to a play structure for the senior area of the playground. S.Roberts offered a contact she has dealt with before.

Next planned meeting Thursday 23rd March 2023 6:30pm in Rephad school hall.