# Newmilns Primary & ECC Parent Council AGM Minutes 4<sup>th</sup> Sept 2023

#### 1. Welcome & introductions

## 2. Report of the school year

Parent Council have contributed to many school events throughout the year. This includes subsidising the leaver hoodies, Christmas cinema trip, glow sticks for discos. The main fund raising event of the year is the Christmas Fayre, this is very successful.

## 3. Treasurer report

Last bank balance was £1760.92. The parent council would like to thank Jacqueline Jones for her help, support and contributions as an active member and treasurer for the parent council for the last 13 years.

# 4. Social media report

A new Facebook page has been set up. There are not a lot of members yet so it is important to try and encourage parents/carers to become friends of the page. The page is vital in communication and correspondence with parents from the school app. Members were keen for this page to be used more, this will be discussed at further meetings.

# 5. Re-selection / confirmation of office bearers

Chair- Louise Lang

Vice Chair- Summer Smith

Treasurer- Sarah Clark

Secretary- Jenny Brown

Claire Kennedy- Social Media Manager

#### 6. Election of members

Re-elected members:

Debbie Campbell

Wilma New

Laura Simoes

Pauline Donnelly

Nicole Wilson

New members:

Kayleigh Garforth

Stacey Miller

Fraser Lewers

**Heather Lewis** 

Leighann Devlin

Chelsey Gallagher

# Volunteer co-opted members:

Karen Warner

Courtney Jackson

Kayleigh Weir

Renee Stirrat

## 7. Discussion of issues

Maintenance of the garden areas in the ECC. This has been actioned and the area has been cut back and the children can now access the woodland area easily. The carpark is now more easily accessible. This should be regularly maintained.

## Head teachers update

Children have settled in well. Next fundraising event will take place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September the last school day before the long weekend. This will be in partnership with the Parent Council. Children will run in a sponsored colour run. There will also be a tea and coffee stall ran by the Parent Council. Dustacco will sponsor the paint for colour run. Parent council will provide the sunglasses.

Parent Council will run tea/coffee/juice/cake stall.

# 8. A.O.B

Opportunities to make use of local charity and council grants was raised and will be discussed at future meetings.

Vulnerable families receiving financial support at Christmas time from local charities was raised. HT assured that this already happens to targets families within the school.

Resignation of treasurer- due to Jacqueline Jones and Laura Reid no longer being office bearers, it was agreed by all members that new signatories would be required. For ease and convenience, it was agreed that there would be 3 new signatures rather than that two. This would include chair, Louise Lang, vice chair Summer Smith and treasurer, Sarah Clark. We also discussed closing the old bank account and opening a new account which would allow the signatories access to a card rather that solely checks.

## 9. Action Points

- AP1 add new members to the PC WhatsApp group, Facebook page and email distribution list (Claire)
- AP2 transfer bank account authorisation to new Chair and Treasurer (Sarah & Jacqueline)
- AP3 buy 120 sunglasses from PC funds for the school colour run on Thu 21st (Summer)
- AP4 arrange a PC fundraising stall with tea, coffee, juice and cakes for the colour run (all)
- AP5 PC volunteers needed for colour run (all)
- 10. Date of next meeting Mon 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023, 1900 2000 with focus on upcoming fundraising events