



Kilmarnock Academy

Parent Council Meeting

6th November 2023

Atrium Hall, Kilmarnock Academy

Present:

Agenda Item	Action
<p>1. Welcome/Present and Apologies – Stephen Coyle</p> <p>SC welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>Attendees: Cllr Graham Boyd, D Rose, S Taylor (KA), A Mossie, Beth (KA), Stephen Coyle (Chair), Laura McChristie, Aileen Baillie, Lynsey Kerr, Jen Graham, Fiona Anderson, Karen Paterson, Allan Reid, Julie Connor, Carol MacInnes</p> <p>Apologies: Margaret Black, Donna Rae (Secretary)</p>	
<p>2. Sharing Practice – Equally Safe School</p> <p>Staff from Social Subjects department are leading on this project – to work with schools to stop gender based violence. ST gave a brief history of the project and the work done so far. A survey will be going out to pupils in the next few weeks, which will be anonymous and optional. Parents can also withdraw their child, information will be going out on the app regarding this. Staff are developing the curriculum to include areas which can also teach gender based violence issues alongside their subject.</p> <p>3. Improvement in attainment, particularly in literacy and numeracy</p> <p>AB gave an overview of the planned changes to S3-5 subject choices and how it will work. Discussion with parents around the merits and parents confirmed they were in support of the proposals.</p> <p>For the BGE curriculum, AB discussed the issues with choices in S1 and the limitations the school faces in introducing flexibility at this stage. The general BGE curriculum will be reviewed next year and be brought back to Parent Council.</p>	
<p>4. Christmas Fayre</p> <p>SC outlined the plans for the Christmas Fayre, and asked the group to pass on any ideas for stalls etc.</p> <p>DR asked if Parent Council could put a post on the PC Twitter page to advertise donations for the bottle stall. SC to ask DRae if the Twitter account is still live and to put out a post if so.</p> <p>Discussion on the best way to advertise the bottle stall and receive donations – suggestion for donation on parent pay. DR to put message on parent pay.</p>	<p>All members</p> <p>SC/DRae</p> <p>DR</p>

<p>5. AOCB</p> <p>GB advised that the Remembrance day service will be at Centrestage this Sunday – all welcome</p> <p>SC asked GB to raise issues with water cooler with Council Officers – Coolers are often broken and unreliable.</p> <p>SC – App – ongoing issues, ensure updates and settings are up to date.</p>	<p>GB</p>
<p>Date of Next Meeting:</p> <p>The next meeting will be held on Monday 4th December 2023 at 6.30 pm in the school conference room.</p>	