**Carolside Primary School Parent Council Minutes – 23 May 2017**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| *Agenda Item* | *Minute* | *Action* |
| *1. Welcome and Apologies* | **Present:**  Alison Woodman (AW) (Chair)  Bryan McLachlan (BM) (Head Teacher), Elaine Milne (EM) (DHT), Gillian Friel (GF) (DHT), Laura McNulty (LMcN), Alison Cameron (AC), Fiona Hall (FH), Debi Hosie (DH), Vanessa Taylor (VT), Carol McBride (CMcB), Stevie Greer (SG), David Fisken (DF), Susan Lyden (SL), Judith Currie (JC), John Conner (JC),  **Apologies:**  Shona Wyper (SW), Alison Adams-Young (AAY), Linda McClymont (LMcC) Maryam Imran (MI), Councillor Lafftery (AL) Poushali Majumdar (PM), John McMaster (JM),  AW welcomed all to the Parent Council and wished Mr McLachlan congratulations on his appointment as Head Teacher of Carolside. |  |
| *2. Previous Minutes Approval* | Minutes from the previous meeting had been issued in advance to all PC members and were agreed. | Note |
| *3. JRSO’s* | Carolside Junior Road Safety Officers – Charlie, Sam, Daisy and Charlotte from P6 gave the PC a presentation. Their objective is to raise road safety awareness to the school and the community. Park and stride was discussed. 1000 air fresheners were made and these are available for sale at the school office for 40p. Children complete a travel tracker and this helps children record how they travel to school. All children can achieve badges at the end of term if they walk, scoot or cycle more than three times a month to school. Bikeability was also discussed as well as the importance of being road aware. Walk to school week 15th – 19th May. Cycle to school week is 5th to 9th May. JRSOs really enjoyed attending their meetings and have a lot of knowledge on the subject. East Renfrewshire recommend that there are 4JRSO and they are in Primary 6, this is the same year group that learn bikeability. We would like to thank the JRSO’s for their attendance, which was very informative. |  |
| *3. PTA Update* | PTA are organising the Annual Summer Fayre – looking for helpers. The theme is Harry Potter, they will have OWLs and The Wizard School in attendance. School sports equipment has been purchased to the cost of £3500. PTA are looking to get some or all of this cash back from the Grant. The leavers event is underway and the Primary 7s have their hooded leaving jumpers. The PTA will allocate the rest of the funds once the grant has been confirmed. The uniform night was a great success- Mans World had lots of stock and they will be giving the school 10% commission from this event. Mans World have extended the cash back offer until Friday 26th May on any Carolside Primary merchandise purchased. |  |
| *4. Head Teachers Report* | Full report attached |  |
| *5. Traffic Subgroup* | New Road Safety Officer (RSO) starts on May 30th. Stevie will ask if the RSO can attend one of our PC meetings. Concerns were raised, such as the bus bay and the yellow lines surrounding the school. Traffic Sub Group is looking for volunteers to attend a meeting with Stevie and the RSO. Facebook update – people parking over driveways, walking busses and also groups of children walking there selves to school were discussed. On Friday 19 May Mr Kerr along with two teaching staff asked parents not to park in the bus bays because approx. 8 busses were dropping children off. The traffic Sub Group greatly appreciated this and mentioned that there was much less congestion around the school. |  |

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| *6. FREDA* Equalities Group | Freda Group will no longer attend the Parent Council meetings, instead they will liaise directly with Mr McLachlan. |  |
| *7. Issues for Discussion* | **Internet Safety Evening** is to be held on Wednesday 14th June. Those wishing to attend please contact AW on the PC email address. Parents are welcome to bring Ipads or Computer devices. This will be on a first come, first serve basis. The dangers of live streaming were discussed. The Police Support Officer (PSO) has discussed this with children from Primary 6 and Primary 7. There is also a possibility of having more Internet Safety evenings if this is deemed successful  In addition to this evening all children are asked to sign an Internet User Agreement, there are three types of User Agreement depending on the age group. This agreement will be looked at with the intention of updating it in accordance with present technological advances.  **ERC Grant for PA and Sporting Equipment**  As the grant percentage awarded was lower than hoped we now have to spend more to achieve the full grant awarded.  **Playground,** quotes have been received for playground maintenance. The council have stated that Carolside Primary School Playground does need to be maintained and they have said they will address the issues, no timescale given.  **Toilets**, still waiting on quotes for upgrades  **School website**, looking at rebranding and making it more up to date. This includes the PC section.  **Music service** – AW is looking to get someone to come and provide us more information on this service.  **Primary 5s** will be on a school trip on the day of Dress As You Please so will be provided with an alternative day for dress down.  **Standardised tests** have been issued to the school but data has still to be collated and these will be issued to Parents along with school reports in June. National Standardised Tests will start from next year with Primary 1’s, 4’s and 7’s all tested. Mr McLachlan has stated he will provide us with more information on this next term.  **Possible Grant opportunity –** This is a local community Grant that may available to Carolside Laura McNulty looking into this. | AW  BMcL  PTA / AW  BMcL  BMcL  BMcL/AW  AW  LMcN |
| *PC Next Year* | AW thanked those who would not be continuing in the PC next year.  Potential Vacancies will be 2 x Nursery, 2x P1, 1x P6 and 2 x P7. This will be confirmed in due course. | AW |
| *10. Next Meeting* |  |  |
| *11. AGM* | Tuesday 13 June 2017 @7pm Staff Room |  |