

## **Cross Arthurlie Parent Council Minutes Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

**Present:** Elaine Aitchison (Chair), Susan Hoppe (Vice Chair), Jillian McGrain (Fundraising), Colette Byars (Fundraising), Elizabeth Thompson (Treasury), Marion Cunningham (Secretary), Fiona MacDonald (HT), Gillian Rice (DHT), Debbie Thomson, Lorna Thomson, Julie Cameron, Cheryl Cumming, Linda Murray, Caroline Foy, Lorna Deveney

**Apologies:** Lora Johnston, Helen Easdon, Julie Elliott

### Approval of minutes from previous meeting

Email sent – Everyone agreed.

### Chairs Report

Welcomed everyone.

Elaine and Susan are working on getting the gambling licence with ERC. It's a bigger job that needs policies and procedures put in place, possibly wait a few weeks until people can meet face to face to discuss. No big raffles until licence is granted but can continue to offer on the day raffles – 8am to 8pm same day.

Trying to source additional funding - Asda green tokens, Tesco, Arnold Clark and National Lottery.

### Correspondence

No correspondence.

### Treasurers Report

March had a payment from Easy fundraising - £51.90

April had payments from Easter activities - £228 (Minus expenses of £36)

Winner donated money back to parents committee - £61

Balance - £1,177.16

### Fundraising Update

Jillian fed back that Easter activities were busy. Just Giving page was set up and successful. Looking at what we can do before the school stops for summer holidays. Susan showed an example of a cookbook from Mearns PS. Sponsored from 3 local restaurants. Sold for £10 each. Produced by True Creative Management – unsure of costings. Also sold in local shops involving wider community engagement.

Competition to design front cover with runners up at the back of the book.

- Thoughts - Christmas time would be an ideal time to develop and sell. Possibly a small sub group to work on the idea.

Linda suggested Co-op community fund. Will send details to Elaine from Community Pioneer. PC have previously had funding from Co-op.

### Head Teachers Report

Please see attached.

Fiona highlighted if anyone is noticing any particular difficulties then get in touch with the school as they may be able to offer support or signpost to help, e.g. healthier minds website.

## School Values

Would be nice to incorporate words into a visual for children.

Suggestions – Kindness, respect, honesty, wellbeing, confidence, ambitious, healthy, adventure

Fiona will send out suggestions to parents and collate feedback.

## AOCB

- Iron on badges – looked into previously and high demand.  
Elaine looking at samples and costings.  
Sold in units of 100.  
Price for 500 - £1.19 per badge (with VAT)  
Could we charge £2 per badge to ensure a profit for PC funds.  
Suggested pricing of 3 for £5  
If orders were collated and organised (clearly labelled) they can be passed to school classes to be handed out.  
Elaine will organise purchase.
- P7 leavers update – Hoodies all given out. No problems with sizing's or colours. Invoice arrived today - £551. P7's raised £770 which covers hoodies with some left over.  
Hopefully 7<sup>th</sup> June further guidance will be issued to allow planning a leavers event. Provisionally looking at Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June for a school dance.  
Provisionally booked a band. Ideally gym hall, possibly playground. Food at dance is normally funded by PC. Different options – ERC offer a package for £4.50 each (Hotdog, drink, chocolate and crisps). Cheryl suggested Dominos who do individual pizzas for £2 along with juice and crisps from PC.  
Possibility of p7 trip.  
Last day for p7's – School are currently looking at options within guidance.  
Possibility of using Cloud (additional cost)  
**Gillian and Fiona will liaise with Elaine about events/costings.**
- Frequency of meetings – Some PC only meet quarterly. We agreed to change from monthly meetings to bi-monthly as of August 2021. Elaine will email out about days and times.
- Staggered start/finish times – Parents have fed back to Elaine about the positives of the staggered start/finish, e.g. safety and traffic. Will this be something that can stay once covid restrictions have eased?  
Fiona would need to ask for further advice as this impacts on the logistics of running the school. Lots of benefits but also lots of disadvantages.
- Debbie asked if there's any possibility of someone being near the gate at drop off times in the 'big' playground, e.g. children going in upset. Fiona talked through staff timings and suggested that parents contact the school and talk about any support that can be put in place for particular children.

**Next meeting – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2021 7pm (via Zoom)**