

Cross Arthurlie Parent Council Minutes Tuesday 1st June 2021

Present: Elaine Aitchison (Chair), Susan Hoppe (Vice Chair), Colette Byars (Fundraising), Elizabeth Thompson (Treasury), Fiona MacDonald (HT), Gillian Rice (DHT), Lorna Thomson, Julie Cameron, Lorna Deveney

Apologies: Lora Johnston, Helen Easdon, Julie Elliott, Marion Cunningham, Debbie Thomson, Cheryl Cumming, Caroline Foy

Approval of minutes from previous meeting

Email sent – Everyone agreed.

Chairs Report

Everyone welcomed.

Advised of Linda Campbell's (School office) leaving, gift of flowers agreed.

Julie Cameron, long term Parent Council, past Chair and Vice Chair leaving this summer. Elaine thanked Julie on behalf of everyone for all her service and dedication to the school.

Correspondence:

Slides from Connect will be sent out by Elaine.

Treasurers Report

May had a payment from Easy fundraising - £29.46

Money from PayPal £46.01

Balance - £1252.66

Money from Just Giving TBA

Due to the success of the Just Giving page we will reopen in the new term. Especially popular with parents who don't want to be actively involved in fundraising.

Fundraising Update

Thanks for everyone's help and support, special thanks to Jillian and Colette for all their fundraising efforts. Closed now until next term. Hope to re-establish a fundraising committee with student participation welcome.

Wish list to be forwarded by Miss Rice from Chris Rose, Active School Coordinator, for essential sporting equipment.

Head Teachers Report

Please see attached.

Fiona highlighted Covid pandemic still having an effect on school operations and ongoing risk assessments being carried out.

P7's leavers night is being coordinated by Gillian Rice, plans are underway to ensure children have the best experience possible under limitations.

Subsidies towards school trips and end of term treats for classes requested. Costs to be sent to Elaine.

School Values

From children and parental feedback – kindness, respect, honesty and confidence, were amongst the most popular choices and opinions.

Fiona to collate meaningful display/ideas in line with curriculum and school improvement plans incorporating school values.

AOCB

Constitution - email sent out to all members outlining this.

Proposed changes are an amended meeting schedule - as other councils meet less frequently and find no negative impact. This will be trialled as Sept, Nov, Dec, Feb and May.

AGM was only held last November as such it is to be held in September 2021. Reverting to June the next year.

Meeting methods possible Zoom/home potential combination. Ideal time frame of 60 minutes.

It is felt the 'Parent Council' is slightly too official a name, and changing to Parent Community may gain more involvement.

A Parent Community logo with kids designing competition to be held in the new term.

As only 24 spaces, it is imperative members send apologies if not attending. As per Constitution if you miss 3 meetings in the year, your place will be withdrawn to allow new members to be involved.

Fiona to ask Nursery in the new term if they would like to join this Parent Community or form their own.

Iron on badges have seen great response with 264 badges ordered to date. Supplier updating on delivery date of 500 badges. Badges ordered to be distributed before the end of term.

Next meeting date is Tuesday 7th September.