Cross Arthurlie Parent Council Minutes Tuesday 7th September 2021 – AGM

Present: Elaine Aitchison (Chair), Susan Hoppe (Vice Chair), Jillian McGrain, Elizabeth Thompson (Treasury), Marion Cunningham (Secretary), Fiona MacDonald (HT), Gillian Rice (DHT), Lorna Deveney, Helen Easdon, Caroline Foy, Kirsten Fairlie, Lora Johnstone, Lorna Thomson, Nuzhat Uthmani, Angela Ritchie, Millie Allan, Jennifer Graham

Apologies: Colette Byars (Fundraising), Debbie Thomson

Minutes	Action
Minutes from previous meeting – 01.06.2021 Minutes approved – email sent 07.09.2021	
 <u>Chairs Report</u> Elaine welcomed everyone. Encouraged everyone to email apologies if they are unable to attend a meeting. In-line with constitution, if members are not active then you cannot participate. Very quick year with lots happening. Thanks you to everyone for the hard work. Welcome to new parents / families. Hope you will join the PC. PC is here to support the school and staff. 	
Treasurers ReportBooks have been audited by Lorna Deveney –06/09/2021.£690.97 for end of July.August – bill for school badges - £600 with £465paid into the account. £125 paid into account fromEasyfundraising.£675.48 for the end of Aug.We have managed to keep a credit balance withhigh expenditures and limited fund raisingopportunities.	
<u>Correspondence</u> From Connect – various courses for all parents. Elaine will post details or parents can contact her for details. Email from Connect – they want to carry out a survey.	Elaine will post on Facebook group or can email for info.

Fundraising Update At the end of last year one of the fundraising co- ordinators, Jillian, stepped down. Thank you to Jillian for all of your hard work over a hard year. We are therefore looking for someone to volunteer.	
 Headteacher Input – School Rebranding Last year everyone looked at the 'Vision, Values & Aims'. The school are preparing to hold a competition for anyone to design a 'rebranding' for communications from XA. Community focus – reflect the school and nursery. Looking forward but looking back on the journey. Creating a sense of identity, who we are and what our values are now. No prize as such, although design would be used by school community. Judges will be Fiona, Elaine, a local business who supports the school and a child. Will be advertised through posters with a qr code. 	School will issues posters.
Constitution will be updated including adjusting the PC name to Parents Community. This will take place after rebranding competition.	Elaine will lead.
Formal introductions to office bearers including school HT and DHT.	
Headteacher Report See attached	
AOCB	
Covid-19 concerns – Guidance has all changed. Biggest impact has been track and trace is no longer the schools responsibility. 'Warn and Inform' letter is issued to a class if a child tests positive within that class. School cannot disclose any confidential information such as how many in the class. 9 th Aug an email went out to all parents	

about the changes. Staggered times were removed due to staffing and use of spaces, e.g. lunches. Some mitigations still in place, e.g. windows still open and good ventilation levels. -Asked about a soft start on mornings – possibly something staff will look at in the future. -Point raised that parents / carers are not wearing masks – children are doing artwork to encourage parents / will be talked about at assembly every week too.	School will continue to share the message. Elaine will promote on FB page.
Setting up Committees – Create more focused planning for events by creating smaller committees such as p7 Leavers and Fundraising. People could have a think or if they have any particular interests and want to be involved. Even if you know of anyone else you could sign post them to the PC. P7 Residential – Parents highlighted that it is likely	Interested parties can email Elaine.
to be expensive this year. More expensive in Summer months. £261 + VAT (Not including bus) = 5 days £151 + VAT (Not including bus) = 3 days - Suggested to put it out to parents to choose. Different suggestions mentioned. Gillian will continue to look at prices / arrangements.	Gillian will continue to look at prices.
 Parking – People still continuing to park on zigzag lines. Fiona planning on contacting ERC due to increase in traffic with nursery opened. Can we raise the question of a road crossing patroller at infant side? Discussions about bus drop off area being used by cars. Behaviour concerns – Parents should be reminding children about socialising and acceptable behaviours. Fiona went round all classes to talk about behaviour, especially on the grass. Children are playing roughly and they will mention it at assembly. If parents have specific concerns they should contact the school directly. 	Fiona will contact ERC. Fiona will contact Whitestar (re Bus)
 Change to gym days – p4/1 is Friday p4/2 is Wednesday. <u>Nursery Consultation</u> Need to consult nursery parents to see if they want to join school PC or create their own group. 	Fiona will put a Form out

Breakfast Cart It varies of use daily. Mixed up take. It is being monitored to see if there are specific days for a bigger uptake. Children access through normal doors. Doors open at 8.45am.	
Meeting handed to Fiona for AGM Annually – office bearers stand down, and can stand for re-election if they wish.	
Chair – Elaine Aitchison (Nominated by Elizabeth / Second by Caroline)	
Vice chair – Susan Hoppe (Nominated by Elaine / Second by Lora)	
Fundraising – Collette (Nominated by Elizabeth / Second by Elidh) Caroline (Nominated by Elizabeth / Second by Jillian)	
Secretary – Marion (Nominated by Jillian / Second by Susan)	
Treasurer – Elizabeth (Nominated by Lorna Deveny / Second by Lorna Thompson)	
Fiona and Elaine both thanked everyone.	
Next meeting will be Tuesday 2 nd November 7pm via Zoom.	Elizabeth will organise meeting link. Elaine will issue link with minutes / agenda.