Cross Arthurlie Parent Council Minutes Tuesday 7th December 2021

Present: Susan Hoppe (Vice Chair), Colette Byars (Fundraising), Caroline Foy (Fundraising), Elizabeth Thompson (Treasury), Marion Cunningham (Secretary), Fiona MacDonald (HT), Gillian Rice (DHT), Jenna Coyne, Debbie Thomson, Angela Ritchie, Kirsten Fairlie, Lora Johnstone, Lorna Deveney, Lorna Thomson, Sophie Keir, Eilidh Waddel

Apologies: Elaine Aitchison (Chair), Julie Elliot, Jennifer Graham

Minutes	Action
Welcome from Susan (chairing tonight in Elaine's absence)	
Minutes from previous meeting Minutes approved	
Mews update Marion (Secretary) is pregnant and expecting a baby mid Feb – if she is off would anyone volunteer to do minutes. Marion will notify closer to the time if she won't be able to make any meetings.	Kirsten or Jenna have volunteered.
Junior road safety officers (With Gillian and Susan) have been looking at the cars round about the school - Parking - Bumping up on kerbs - Parking on yellow lines	
Christmas event went very well and had an excellent turnout. Thank you to everyone involved. Great feedback.	
Treasurers Report £3058.86 in the account at present.	
Fundraising Christmas event held in the Arc was a really good day. It was held as a non-profit event and over spent by £36. Opened it up to residents of Barrhead and got really good feedback from people who came along. Huge thank you to everyone involved. Hiring the Arc was free and Tesco donated all of the selection boxes.	
Currently talking to local businesses about future events. One idea is linking with a sweet company to do 'guess how many sweets in the jar'	

School are cautious about asking for money too often as they have recently done Poppies / Children in Need / Foodbank donations.

Possibly delay to after Christmas e.g. valentine's day or Easter / Spring.

Moodies will try and give us a prize for online raffle.

- -Try to raise money for vulnerable families within the school community
- ensure distinction to where money is going if using it for a specific thing

Head Teacher Report (See attached)

Staffing update will be provided after recruitment

Nursery Parents group will aim to have meetings after 5pm and will be led by SCDO Karen Love.

Christmas performances will be recorded and sent out P1&2 / P3,4&5 / P6&7 – singing outdoor – times in newsletter

Parties will be on different days. Children can get changed at lunchtime.

Huge thank you for the amount raised for children in need, toy shop was very successful

Christmas donations to foodbank were through a parent linking with Fiona and linking with a local business

ERC staff were donating money to gift vulnerable kids presents with ERC establishments

Fiona has recently applied for Cash for Kids funding

AOCB

P7 Leavers -

What do we normally donate funds to cover – gift or book / food and decorations for prom / band or hoodies
Approx £620 last year

This year is likely to be more expensive possibly £850 Julie Eliot and Cheryl Cumming are leading sub committee

Hoodies would be good to be organised earlier in the year and usually do fundraiser to cover part of the cost. Last year's event 'Bake off' raised a lot of money. Discussions took place to see if PC could release money sooner to fund hoodies? 40 children x £15 approx. Discussion to take place with p7 parents about specific fundraising and organise a date. Revisit topic next meeting	Julie and Cheryl to organise Revisit topic next meeting
Funding for Christmas parties - £50 per class? – discussion £700 in total – agreed Parties will be in gym hall / lunch hall - in stages	Funds will be transferred
Christmas crafts – teachers are aware of it and planning what each class will be making. Classes will make different crafts – priced accordingly and start to sell midweek.	Teachers
Crossing patroller – as both are off are there any other safe options? Crossing roads safely will be discussed at assembly. Staffing is extremely stretched and they don't have any other staff they can move to Cross Arthurlie in the short term.	Teachers will discuss
Early closure for Christmas break – parents will be notified about a 2.30pm closure on 22 nd December.	Fiona will organise
Susan thanked everyone for attending the meeting and closed.	
Next meeting will be Tuesday 1 st February 7pm via Zoom.	