



**NEILSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**Minutes of Neilston Parent Council**

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2019**  
6.30pm

**Present**

Gerard Curley (HT), Jane McDermott (DHT)

Parents: Karen Elrick, Joanne Gardner, Peter McLaren, Joe Deary, Natalie McMillan

Apologies: Anna Kerr, Rona Thompson, Stacey Moffatt, Jill Keys, Jenny Macdonald, Kenny Fulton.

Paul O'Kane unable to come due to the looming election.

Agenda item	Notes	Action
1. Minutes of last Meeting	No issues raised	
2. Social Media Policy	Following a Connect course it would be a wise move to have a social media policy. Will set this up as a subgroup with any interested parties.	
3. Parental and Community Engagement	<p>Natalie attended a meeting with an Empowerment subgroup working on the new parental and community engagement and learner participation pathway they were looking to get ideas from Parent Councils of examples of such. There was discussion about this some examples are:</p> <p>Workshops – being able to bring your child was good.</p> <p>Health and well being – games and sleep massage.</p> <p>Skills academy.</p> <p>Questionnaires.</p> <p>Numeracy.</p> <p>School APP.</p> <p>Twitter – window into the classroom.</p> <p>See-saw for p1.</p> <p>Learner participation:</p> <p>House captains, vice captains, JRSO, playzone leaders, waste warriors,</p> <p>HT awards.</p>	

4. HT Report	<p>Empowerment.</p> <p>Curriculum rationale last looked at about 5 years ago.</p> <p>When a school has a curriculum rationale it means everyone involved with the school can answer 2 key questions:</p> <p>What is it we want for our children?</p> <p>What are we going to do to achieve it?</p> <p>Discussion followed this.</p> <p>Mr Curley had a phone call from Fiona Morrison both schools and the family centre will be on the Neilston Primary site, swimming pools and allotments on St Thomas's site. Conversations are ongoing with the church about repurposing that as the library and keeping the façade. Moving forward hopefully next step January.</p>	
5. Dates of next meeting	TBC	