



NETHERLEE PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL

Minutes of the Netherlee Parent Council Meeting – 14th November 2018

Present	Debby Biddles (Chair)	DB	Tennant Stevenson	TS
	Lesley Cook	LC	Carole Chalmers	CC
	Yvonne Donaldson	YD	Felicity Rose	FR
	Marie Owens	MO	Kaneez Fizza	KF
	Julie Roberts	JR	Brian Cook	BC
	Lisa Gold	LG	Lynn Sweeney	LS

Apologies: Alison McCosh, David McLeish, Ellie Murphy, Ruth Alexander, Angela McHendry, Jane Thomson, Adam Capek, Karen Strachan, Margaret Robertson, Bev Eades, Cllr Annette Ireland, Cllr Stewart Miller, Cllr Alan Lafferty, Cllr David Macdonald

Observers: Chris Fawbert (CF), Lyndsay Dickson (LD), Lorna Wharton (LW)

Welcome

Minutes from Wednesday 12th September, 2018

Proposed by: MO

Seconded by: CC

School Matters (Mrs Donaldson)

Key Points

- Support Parent Council in whatever way that she can. She is keen to hear views of Parent Council and Parent Forum, share new ideas and recognises existing great practice at Netherlee Primary School
- Keen to focus on rounded health and wellbeing of children, parents and staff. Looking at all elements of physical and mental health.
- Shared an evaluative/ reflective tool kit for Parent Councils that has been developed for East Renfrewshire Parent Councils.
- Mrs Donaldson is very passionate about the equity agenda. One way that we can do this is using the Cost of the School Day document. Identifying that we must look out for families who need financial and emotional support

- Lockerbie Manor is being reviewed as the current P7 trip is extremely expensive. LS shared a document with alternative possibilities and dates. KF flagged that we should take Ramadan and other religious festivals into consideration. MO suggested pupil led fundraising to subsidise their P7 trip. Consensus of opinion was that this would be a good idea.

Actions:

1. LS to conduct site visits on alternative venues for P7 Residential trip
2. YD to forward Evaluative Tool Kit to DB
3. DB to run session using the Tool Kit at the next Parent Council meeting

Active Schools Update (DB)

DB shared letter that has been devised by Sports Council that is to be sent out to all Parents/ Carers.

Suggested amendments to letter documented.

Suggestion that the letter should go to Williamwood High School pupils too.

Action - DB to send amended letter to Mr Bryce and suggest accessing Williamwood High School pupils

Equalities Sub-Group Update

DB shared the outputs from a recent sub-sub-group meeting

Parent Council split into two groups to explore how we can capture information/ share views

Ideas included:

- Parent Councillors being more available at discos/ Parents Evenings/ Gala Day/ Christmas Fayre
- Set up a desk in the Entrance Hall of school with paper to collect and share views
- Parent's night a good time to set up a stand in the Atrium to gather views
- Plan ahead to let parents know that Parent Council Representatives available at certain events
- Bibliography with photos on Parent Council website and noticeboard in the school building
- Class Representatives to share information and collect information. These could be identified and approached by school

Action - DB to arrange meeting with KS and FR to establish a plan

Parent Council Priorities

Cover at next meeting following completion of evaluative toolkit

AOB

Polling station review - consultation out currently about current Polling Stations within East Renfrewshire. Netherlee Primary School used as a Polling Station.

Action - DB to forward document to all Parents/ Carers within our School Community to provide opportunity to voice opinion.

Cllr Ireland flagged a couple of issues of local relevance

1. There have been bins stolen from residents of First Avenue and set on fire in Linn Park. She has urged for local residents to contact the police if they see this happening or if it has happened to them.

2. Increased priority has been placed on Netherlee Primary School's CCTV being linked directly to Police Scotland

Social Media Policy

Issue has arisen with confusion around what constitutes social media when sharing photographs and videos.

Action - YD to share East Renfrewshire Council's Social Media Policy

School Website

FR highlighted that Twitter and Stage letters are missing

Action - JR to investigate

Pavilion Car Park

TS concerned that only one of the new paths being used in the Pavillion Car Park. Children accessing cars to the far side of the car park are walking down the middle rather than using the new path.

Action: YD will include a reminder point in the next newsletter

Date of next meeting Wednesday 23rd January at 6.30 pm in the Staff Room