



Held via Zoom

## Minutes of Parent Council Meeting 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021

### Parent Attendees

Katrina Adams (Interim Secretary), Samantha MacConnell (Vice Chair), Sharon Constable (Chair), Jackie McHendry (Treasurer), Stacey Hogg (Social Secretary), Alison Whitehead, Nicola Hill, Gillian McKinnon, Julie Flaherty, Maire Charnley, Kirsty McDiarmid

**St Joseph's School Representatives:** Suzanne Martin (Head Teacher), Karen Wynne (Deputy Head) Clionagh Leddy (Principal Teacher), Jennifer Lavery (Principal Teacher), Louise Collins (Principle Teacher)

### Community Representatives:

Opening Prayer

Introductions and Apologies

### Apologies:

Ian Anderson (Vice Treasurer), Lynn Johnson (Vice Social Secretary), Frank Rankin (Church Rep)

Minutes of previous meeting and circulated and approved

Proposed by Sam MacConnell Seconded by Katrina Adams

Matters arising

### Chairs Update

Connect now joined FB page and Chairs Education Reform review meeting regarding consultation curriculum for excellence and SQA ERC and Connect are looking for as many parents as possible to complete. Should the PC complete one on behalf of Parent body.

Equalities Forum in September on UN rights of child going forward looking as rights of children across the council and involving parents more. Want to encourage people to join unfeirties?? To speak up for children's rights

We have new church rep – Frank Rankin

Naomi Nicol meeting held, and all information has been fed out through the twitter and WhatsApp

## Head Teachers Update

Welcome Louise Collins joined yesterday Acting PT will be here for rest of year teacher in P6b. Lots of movements in staff for various reasons but now Miss Lavery has now been released to take on support for learning, PEF and IT. Last week notified replace teacher which won't be permanent but will be full time for Learning Support.

J Devlin back 1 day a week for Non class contact

S McArdle recovery teacher for gaps in learning due to lockdown

F Muirhead joined mat leave Mrs Greene covering non class contact time

Halloween Spectacular – great success thanks you to PC children loved it.

Pupil dialog has happened over the last couple of weeks – great feedback from our children

School Committees – request World Children's Day extra play – old childhood games will be played on Friday PM

Parents we are still limited with restrictions questionnaire looking for parental feedback will be issued March on all aspects as last one which was very positive from ERC

Parent Night – very positive comments

ERC – budget consultation link will be sent to parents to complete. Please complete have your say

SG – no change to COVID guidelines before Christmas. Staff safety must take priority as they are still required to Social Distance while working.

SG – Education Reform Consultation not suitable for primary children to complete. Parent link will be sent for parents to complete.

## Treasurer's Update

<b>Balance as at 19 September 2021 (last meeting)</b>	<b>£2,346</b>	
	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenses</b>
<b>Halloween</b>	£1,500	-£1,050
<b>Easy Fund Raising</b>	£186	
<b>Parent donations</b>	£700	
<b>February Fundraiser</b>	£1,560	-£200
<b>P1 event</b>		-£148
<b>Other expenses</b>		
<b>Revised balance as at 16 November 2021</b>	<b>£4,895</b>	

## **Social Secretary Update**

Current Target of £15,000.

Email was sent to school regarding register with the Morrisons good for growth scheme.

Easy funding - more members joining every day and funds are increasing. A massive pay-out at last quarter £186.

P1 welcome event was an activity trail around Clarkston, our wonderful P1 families braved the good old Scottish weather!! The children received a welcome box full of goodies.

Halloween Howl - 3no 100 squares sold, 9 winners, the funds helped decorate the reception and hallways together with decor & inflatables to the outside entrances around the school. Kids also enjoyed our spooky cauldrons & witchy hooper games, they received toy and treat, plus filled bag to take home. Profit was gained.

Upcoming events include:

### **Christmas fun day**

Together with the school, we are creating a Magical Winter Wonderland - bigger and better than 2020!! Fun Fair Rides, with many fun activities, (Hot chocolate/movie station, snow machine, biscuit/cookie decoration stand, crazy hair & tattoo salon). And The main man - Santa with a couple of his Reindeers. Decoration & Inflatables will be around the grounds.

### **February Fundraiser**

Welcome drink on arrival, fabulous three course lunch, February fundraiser is to raise the remainder of the money require for our Playground Equipment.

We expect over 200 guests, friends & families of local businesses to sponsor our tables and stalls.

Boutique stall, photograph opportunity, a selection of raffle prizes and a Star prize to be won. Entertainment throughout the day to dance the afternoon away!

Next meeting is on 7th December

## **Uniform Update**

Winter top up order placed received and distributed.

Hoodie order will be out before mid-December

## **AOCB**

New Secretary required – Marie would be happy to take it on next year not this year, but Class Rep shout out.

Look into Teams for future meeting instead of Zoom

Next Parent Council Meeting will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> February