



St Mark's Primary Parent Partnership
Roebank Drive
Barrhead
Glasgow
East Renfrewshire
G78 2JA

St Mark's Parent Partnership Meeting Minutes
Wednesday 13th November 2024
4.30pm – 5.30pm
Location: St Mark's Primary School

Agenda Item	Minutes	
Welcome and attendees	Mrs J Neil (DHT), Jennifer Williams, Jennifer Baillie	
Apologies	Marie Sweeney, Louise Kennedy, Asma Anwar, Kirsty Cameron, Kari Pearce, Keighley Fulton and Mr Hutcheson	
Treasurer's Update	Account total currently: £1340.57	
Head Teacher's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Positive term to date following October break. SMT have completed recent round of quality assurance with focus on QI 2.3. Learning, Teaching and Assessment and curricular area of Writing. Very positive picture across the school with improvements from last year's staff professional learning evident. Quality of writing was moderated at in service day with St. John's and St. Thomas' staff to ensure consistency of standards across the cluster.➤ Excellence and Equity Visit took place last week with Heads of	Mrs Neil

Minutes taken by Mrs J Neil (DHT)

Service and Director of Education. This was an opportunity to share the school's improvement journey and reflect on our increased levels of attainment and achievement. The presentation was very well received and the school was praised for our "joined up approach leading to improved outcomes for key groups of learners".

➤ Pupil Leadership:

- Our children will be taking part in a conversation about the national Curriculum Improvement Cycle with a team of visitors from Education Scotland tomorrow. This week St. Mark's was used as an example of a school delivering high quality LfS on an online conference linked to COP 29. The conference was chaired by a global sustainability expert and included participants from across the UK. This coincides with videos about our work being hosted on an online course on sustainability education run by the University of Edinburgh.
- Our Equalities group shared the ABCDE of children's rights in our recent newsletter and will be leading anti-bullying workshops with all pupils this Friday. This is one of the many initiatives that will form part of our application to become a Gold Rights Respecting School.
- Our Mini Vinnies group will lead the Catholic Education Week Prayer Breakfast and Assembly and are also preparing charitable activities for Advent.
- Our Reading Committee are preparing to lead a range of lessons and activities for Book Week Scotland, as we continue on our journey to becoming a gold level Reading School.

	➤ Staffing Update: Mrs Babu has moved on to her new role in Mearns Primary. Mrs Tabassum and Mrs McCulloch will replace her.	
Halloween parties and Discos Update	A very successful Halloween disco. Lots of positive feedback in particular from P1&2 parents regarding the party rather than disco. Also, the inclusion of a quiet zone was very successful.	JW/JB
Christmas Fair	<p>11 local business stall holders/families booked for fair and deposit paid for 9 (1 child no deposit and 1 awaiting payment). PP have organised a raffle to be sold on the day. School has agreed we can sell raffles through Parentpay beforehand if we wish to.</p> <p>Tea and coffee stall.</p> <p>Several teachers coming along on the day to support with a variety of stalls such as, Guess the reindeer's birthday, number of sweets in jar, beat the goalie, Christmas hoopla game, toasted marshmallows (outside firepit), tombola, Christmas soft toy stall and an outdoor Christmas themed game.</p> <p>Mrs Guy has will have the choir performing at the Christmas fair.</p> <p>Further planning to take place from members of PP before event.</p> <p>Card machine has been purchased to use at this event.</p>	All
Christmas Coffee Morning	<p>Christmas coffee morning in partnership with St John's church tea ladies Sunday 22nd December after 10am mass.</p> <p>Live music, home baking, raffle and visit from Santa. Other details to be discussed with PP. Proceeds split between church and school.</p>	JW

Christmas Cards	£223 profit made from this year's Christmas cards. 115 sheets returned, 0 spoils, total made £223	JW
100 Club	£430 made this year from 100 club which will be split equally £215 to next year's Lockerbie trip and £215 for monthly prize draw money.	JW
AOB	No further business discussed due to turnout at meeting, no further decisions could be made.	
Date of next meeting	Thursday 23 rd January 2025, 7pm in St. Luke's High School	