

## **Uplawmoor Parent Council Minutes**

**Date:** 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021

**Location:** Remotely via Microsoft Teams

### **Attendees:**

*Parents:* Claire McKellar (chair), Emma Green, Jill Skelton, Toni Leggat, Mary Ann Gorman, Lorna Street, Jacqueline Chinchin, Isla Goldie

*School staff:* Mrs McKay

**Apologies:** Allison McKenzie

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### **Previous Minutes**

Previous minutes approved by all.

### **Treasurers Report**

The current balance in the Parent Council account is £2024.10. There has been one credit this year of a £500 donation. There have been debits of £11.94 for Christmas Party snacks (plus a further cheque of £31.93 which has not yet been cashed) and £213 for Sumdog subscription.

Agreed by all to contribute £100 towards P7 leavers gifts.

For fundraising going forward, CM suggested linking the bank account to Paypal to allow for collecting funds. There would be no need for charitable status and parents could pay for items as they go. This would also allow for remote collections, for example, the choir at Christmas.

### **AGM**

EG and LS are both stepping down. AM is stepping down as Treasurer and CM is stepping down as chair.

The planned reps for each stage next year are:-

P1: TBC

P2: TBC (**Action: EG to ask if any parent will take this over**)

P3: Toni Leggat

P4: Jill Skelton

P5: Jacqueline Chinchin

P6: Mary Ann Gorman and/or Claire McKellar (if required)

P7: Isla Goldie

Current vacancies:

- An Auditor is required and this position should be filled next year.
- A new Treasurer is required and this position should be filled next year.
- TL, JS and JC agreed to be signatories on the bank account in order for transactions to continue. **Action: CM to speak to AM to sign over.**
- Secretary – TBC
- Chair – MAG agreed to take over with assistance from CM.

### **Head Teachers Report**

Class structure for next year confirmed as P1/2 (13 pupils), P3/4 (23 pupils), P5 (12 pupils), P6/7(20 pupils). Staffing will be confirmed once NQT appointments are made.

P1 transition – children are getting 2 visits to the school and there is also a parent info session.

P7 transition – pupils will have 2 days at Eastwood High. Mrs McKay advised that she has tried to get a ceremony with parents present, but has been unable to get this approved. The P7 pupils raised £790 from running a soup kitchen.

2022 residential – FM advised that Lockerbie prices have increased. The options are to go at a cheaper time, use another centre or have a shorter week. **Action: IG to approach parents and ask for opinions.**

### **Parent Questions**

**P2** – a parent asked if single use plastic cups were necessary in the school. FM advised that these are currently used because of covid restrictions and are only given to children who have forgotten their water bottle.

An enquiry was made as to whether Amy Corbett could be asked to engage with the school. Her parents will be asked to pass on contact details if possible.

**P3** – Some parents feel there is not a lot of content for the P3s. FM has reminded teachers about posting.

**P6** – A parent did not think that a recent homework task involving model making was stage appropriate or linked to learning. FM looked at this and previous learning and was comfortable that it was a STEAM task linked to prior work.

**Next Meeting – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September @ 5pm**