Parent Council Meeting Highlights - 16.02.22

NEXT MEETING

7PM ON WEDNESDAY 27TH APRII

ALL WELCOME!

A PLACE FOR ALL PARENTS AND CARERS TO KEEP IN TOUCH AND GET INVOLVED

PARENT COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Following discussion on the various options, the parent council voted to take some action and lobby the local council for investment in improvements to the **Netherlee pitch**. The majority of other primary schools in East Ren have access to an all-weather games pitch. It was felt that improvements were needed due to the current surface being unusable for a good part of the year and that the local council were best placed to deliver any change.

Did you know that in support of positive outcomes for all young people, the Scottish Government are conducting a children's **Health and Wellbeing Census**? Although some other councils have chosen to opt out, ERC are supporting this. The census is expected to be issued during school time in late spring/early summer to P5 –P7 and high school pupils. The questions will be different depending on the age bracket. Parents and children will have the opportunity to opt out. The school will issue more information when available, however you can read about it here in the meantime.

Road Safety continues to be a priority. We have yet to receive a reply from the Roads Dept to our letter of last November. We will continue to press for a response and for the promised improvements to reinforce the school zone and encourage more careful driving.

Can you help the school? Netherlee still require a **School Crossing Patroller** at Linn Park Avenue. The role only requires 10 hours work each week. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please get in touch with the school or local council direct on **0141 577 3319**.

Don't forget we are always looking for new members to **join** us at the parent council! Why don't you come along as an observer to our next meeting which we hope will be face to face? Membership is not onerous. There are usually only around 6 meetings per year and you have the opportunity to be more involved in our children's education.

Just email us at netherleeparentcouncil@gmail.com.

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O HEAD TEACHER REPORT



Following an increase in **Covid** cases earlier in the year things have thankfully settled down again. The school team were commended on their commitment and professionalism despite very challenging circumstances.

Netherlee received some great feedback from the Cluster School Review conducted in Nov 21. Strengths included the warm, welcoming ethos of the school, the strong culture of professional development in the staff and the children's understanding and knowledge of their rights and how they can make a difference. Going forward the cluster have been asked to expand the opportunities for children to be involved in their own learning, to challenge the most able children and to further support those who need additional help.

Although we are only in February, thoughts are already turning to school and nursery improvement planning for the 2022/23 session. Given the restrictions of the last two years that have prevented parents coming into the school, parental involvement and engagement are identified as a top priority. This will include looking at ways parents can be involved in the life of the school, such as classroom visits. It will also consider creating more opportunities for parents to engage in their children's learning. The PC and school will work together to find the best ways to get your views on these topics.

Netherlee need parent and carer volunteers for Family Centred Approaches. With bronze and silver already in the bag, the school and nursery are aiming for the prestigious gold accreditation this year! This self-evaluation programme drives best practice and needs parent volunteers to collaborate with teachers to develop a school and nursery charter. The Equality and Diversity group are also seeking parent volunteers. Please contact the school or parent council if you can help with any of these, they'd love to hear from you!