

Parent Council & PTA Meeting Highlights



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

WELCOME FROM OUR PC AND PTA

A very warm welcome to the first joint Parent Council and PTA newsletter of the session. We are delighted to have joined forces and both the PC and PTA meeting together in the Parent Council setting, bringing together two important parent bodies, making it easier than ever to get engaged and involved in your children's experience at NPS and Nursery!

It was lovely to see some new faces at our first meeting last week, and invite and encourage you to come along, to observe or participate however might work for you, especially as our new P1s, nursery and other new starts settle in.

Come along to our meetings or if you have any ideas or suggestions for the Parent Council or PTA just email us at netherleeparentcouncil@gmail.com or netherleeppta@gmail.com

Many Thanks,
Harriet, Gillian, Emma (Co-Chairs), Victoria (Secretary),
Michelle (Comms Officer), Julie, Handri (PTA).

ROUND UP OF NPS NEWS

- Recycle Rail remains well stocked with good quality pre-loved items available every Friday.
- New PTA Uniform sale will take place in September.
- Plan for PC to link to WWHS cluster schools, share learnings and support.

DISCUSSION POINT - 'It takes a village'

At the next meeting we will be discussing a community initiative in an Irish town to adopt a no-smartphone code. Read more here: <https://tinyurl.com/ybwccyyn>

PTA UPDATE

Coming Together for Our School

Through our valued PTA, our community continue to fund options that would not be considered 'core budget', e.g. SumDog, new playground markings, new equipment, colour dash, subsidising trips and events amongst others.



PTA plan for 23/24 session is to deliver 4 Key Seasonal activities as a fresh new approach, aiming to provide opportunities for community involvement, without 'over commitment' which can feel overwhelming with all of our busy lives. Helping out in any capacity grows our bonds in NPS and the community, no matter how big or small your contribution.

These events are key to facilitating fund-raising, and exciting details will be available soon! Additional events will continue to be supported by the PTA; refreshments at events, P1 welcomes, sports events, with plans to support school with the Community Learning focus.



YOU CAN DONATE TO THE PTA [HERE](#)

THANK YOU

HEAD TEACHER REPORT



Return to School

Mrs Donaldson and the School Leadership team are happy to report a very positive return to school in August, with assemblies in person, Pupil Parliament and councils starting up, nursery parents welcomed into the Nursery for drop-off and pick-up, P7 and P1 buddies in full swing – very much a 'normal' start, leaving the Covid-restrictions behind.

Accreditation and SNIP

Netherlee has been re-accredited **Gold** for Unicef UK Rights Respecting Schools Award, and to reflect this achievement, 'Fantastic Friday' has been renamed '**Fun 31**' as reference to UNCRC Article 31 - I have a right to relax and play where children focus on 31 minutes of fun each Friday.

The School and Nursery Improvement Plan (SNIP) full version is available on the school website, noting that and a one page highlighted child/parent-friendly version will be made available shortly.

Community Learning

NPS plan to continue living the themes and values of NPS and focus on community learning; including reaching **OUT**, and inviting **IN** community resources around us – businesses, developing young workforce, mutual benefits of varied demographic in our local area, as well as utilising Linn Park. Our

Forest-Trained Nursery teacher has been actively sharing knowledge with NPS teachers, and outdoor learning for all stages is being delivered, starting with P5 in Linn Park, and P2 next up.

Staffing

Jackie Toman has joined the team as Principal Teacher for P2 and P3, and is especially looking forward to developing musical and outdoor learning.

Kelly Linn remains as acting PT for Equity and Support and remains a great asset for the school, ensuring that the right opportunities are available for individuals, removing barriers, providing opportunities for success, financially, socially and emotionally.

Parking and Road Safety

Unfortunately, concerns over unsafe parking continue with instances frequently occurring all around the school. Community Wardens have attended, however there is no change to the unsafe parking. In order to demonstrate the enormity of the problem, anyone observing unsafe parking is advised to please report directly to East Renfrewshire Community Wardens for each and every instance that you observe;

Phone: **0800 0130076** immediately with as much information as possible, following up on email to: community.wardens@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk