Parent Council Meeting Highlights - 31.01.24

Market Market

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January 2024 | Highlights

7PM ON WEDNESDAY 17TH APRIL

ALL WELCOME!

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

PARENT COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Parent Council Recruitment With two valued members having to step down from the Parent Council we are keen to hear from anyone looking to get involved. Please get in touch if you are interested in joining or come along to a meeting to see what is involved.

Road Safety continues to be a key concern for parents. Following pressure from the Parent Council, East Renfrewshire Council have been surveying traffic on Clarkston Road in recent months and will be being seeking consultation on any potential plans. The PC will circulate information on consultation to ensure as many people as possible get the opportunity to contribute. ERC has increased the number of parking wardens in recent weeks in response to concerns raised regarding nuisance parking in the school vicinity. ERC encourages all residents to report dangerously parked vehicles.

Amid concerns over potential reductions in the numbers of road crossing patrollers at East Renfrewshire schools. We will be contacting the council to try to gather more information and voice parents' concerns over potential cuts to this vital role in the safety of children.

Following on from the tour of 'The Lighthouse' at the last meeting we continued to the focus on various aspects of the **School** and Nursery Improvement Plan (SNIP). This time we had a

Plan (SINIP). This time we had a presentation from Mr. Bryce, as ICT co-ordinator, and two pupils from the 'Tech Team' on **Digital Wellbeing**. The presentation highlighted the need to educate children on living in a digital world and what the school was doing to meet this need. This included various initiatives including guest speakers at assemblies, CLPL for



staff, providing information to parents and pupils leaders from the Tech Team talking to younger pupils about the importance of online safety. This week the school has also hosted a workshop on keeping children safe online, delivered by NSPCC and directed parents towards NSPCC webinar "Online Gaming and Keeping Safe." All of this is working towards the target of achieving a **Digital Wellbeing Award for Cyber Resilience and Digital Safety**.

HEAD TEACHER REPORT

The Head Teacher report was delivered by Depute Head Julie Roberts and began with a vote of thanks to Acting Principal Teacher **Jennifer McCann** who will be leaving after 2 years with us. The Parent Council wishes her all the best with her return to Kirkhill Primary and thanks her for her marvellous contribution in her time at Netherlee. Angela Kerr will be returning to her Principal Teacher role here.

The school welcomed external reviewers as part of the ERC **Collaborative Improvement Review on Literacy** which involved presentations by staff as well as interaction with some of the children. There is no written report but there will be feedback for the whole authority and Mrs Donaldson will report any highlights when available.

Calling all design enthusiasts! Following feedback from the pupils, the school is aiming to make improvements to the entrance area known as **The Cage!** All ideas welcome on how this area may be improved.

The **Young Leaders of Learning** group produced a video explaining **Participatory Budgeting** to the student body. Following a survey of parents, carers and teachers, resources to develop some areas within our existing grounds/playgrounds was selected as the best option for allocation of funds. The children have chosen some resources and equipment to meet this need.

USEFUL LINKS

NSPCC Gamesafe Festival
NSPCC Lets keep kids safe online

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