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		DATE	Monday 9th September 2024	TIME	7.00pm		
		VENUE	Sir E Scott School				
		DISTRIBUTION	All Members & MC Ferguson, Head of Education.				
Present:	Andy Murray (Head Teacher), Adam Johnson (Depute Head Teacher), Gordon Macleod, Kathleen Duce, Peigi Morrison, Marion Nichols, Peter Sixsmith, Louisa MacDougall, Jenna Morrison.						
Apologies:	Stuart King, Donna Macleod						
Agenda Item							
1	Welcome	KD welcomed everyone to the meeting, especially new parent members of the Parent Council.			Action	Who?	When?
2	Apologies	Apologies were noted above. PS mentioned that Alexa Dilworth is also keen to join the Parent Council. This will bring the total number of parent members to 10.					
3	Minute of 17th June 2024	The minute of the meeting held on 17.06.24 was agreed to be an accurate record – proposed: G Macleod, seconded: K Duce.					
4	Matters Arising	5, Head Teacher's Report Sgoil Araich There were no suitable applicants for the Child Care Manager Post, this will go out to re-advert. AM gave an update on the current staffing situation. Ms Jenny MacAulay has recently been appointed as Nursery Keyworker (Qualified Post). They continue to be supported by Ms Nadine Murray, Peripatetic Manager for two days a week.			•		
5	Head Teacher's Report	Staffing Mr Adam Johnson was recently appointed as Depute Headteacher, Secondary. Ms Rachel Plant has been appointed as Acting Faculty PT, Secondary Department. The PE post has been advertised and hopefully interviews will take place soon. We welcome Miss Mairi Maclennan, Probationer Teacher in the Gaelic Medium, Primary Department. Recruitment of a part-time Primary Gaelic teaching post to cover maternity leave is currently underway. Mrs Kerry Maclean has been appointed as Support for Learning Assistant. Additional SFLA hours have been allocated this session. Following the advertisement of an SFLA post, interviews will take place on Friday 20 th . There is no update on the Gaelic Music Instructor, he explained this post is recruited by the Local Authority. GM suggested the Parent Council writing a letter noting concerns. AM mentioned this is a vital part of our school culture. AM to pass on contact details for a letter.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit a letter to the Education Department noting concerns regarding the Gaelic Music Instructor post. • Pass onto KD contact details for Ed. Dept. letter. 	KD	ASAP
					AM	ASAP	

5	Head Teacher's Report.....continued	Success and Achievement AM provided details of pupil successes and achievement which includes the appointment of Pupil Leadership within the school. Luke Johnson, S6 was recently appointed as School Captain and Chloe MacDonald, S6 was appointed as Vice-Captain. AM gave an update on the School House System, which relates to the Positive Behaviour Policy and will include all pupils in Primary and Secondary. Primary and Secondary Prizegiving ceremonies were held recently, celebrating the achievements of pupils. P7 Transition was very successful this year, this provided a number of opportunities for pupils to engage in activities within the Secondary. During a reduced Activities Week in June, S5 and S6 pupils participated in Mentors in Violence Prevention training. They will now participate in mentoring their peers. The aim of reducing the Activities Week this year is to concentrate on more Residential trips next year. The majority of pupils leaving school this session whether in S4 – S6 have gone onto a positive destination, ranging from apprenticeships, fulltime employment and university placements. The DYW post, previously held by Mr Ross Miller is being re-advertised. External support will be available to help arrange work experience for pupils.	•		
		SQA Analysis AM shared with members a review of the SQA Exam results for both local and National level. He also provided a PowerPoint presentation giving details of the 100% pass rate in subjects at National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher levels. This data is based on A-C pass rates. Areas of success and priorities for improvement were also noted. AM will share this presentation with parent members.	• Share this presentation with Parent Members	AM	ASAP
		E-Sgoil This is an option for pupils from S4 –S6. Currently, pupils are undertaking the following subjects via E-Sgoil/College: Maritime Studies, Criminology and Psychology. The Foundation Apprenticeships are also undertaking online lessons for Creative & Digital Media and Food and Drink.	•		
6	Financial Update There was no update of accounts available. PM's details will be passed onto Mrs D Coghill so they can liaise regarding the role of the Treasurer. <i>LM left the meeting at this point.</i>	• Pass PM's details onto D Coghill	MCM	ASAP	
7.	Parent Council Constitution Members were issued with a copy of the changes proposed by KD for the Parent Council Constitution, which is based on National Guidelines. Following a brief discussion, it was agreed this document will be shared with all members. KD suggested members look at the document and feedback to her within the next two weeks.	• Share Constitution and Parentzone PC Resource with members	KD	ASAP	
8	Date of Next Meeting KD thanked everyone for attending and the meeting closed at 8.15pm. The next meeting will take place on Monday 28 th October at 6.30pm.	•			