



Sgoil an lochdair Parent Council – Meeting Agenda
19:00hrs Thursday 4th December 2025 @ Sgoil an lochdair

Minutes

Present: Mel MacDonald-Butler (Chair), Phillipa Rewaj (Secretary), Bellina Currie, Joan MacDonald (Head of School), Louise McBride, Margaret Campbell, Andrew Shaw

Apologies: Martin Butler (Treasurer), Michelle Cameron, Donald Macleod (Chief Officer for Education and Children's Services – CNES)

• Item	• Action
Treasurer's Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bank balance currently £2696.52 (approx. need to check bank charges). £500 award from MacLennan's MADL fund, to be split equally between football club and Youth club. Workshop by Fèisean Nan Gaidheal, cost £90. Joan asked if Parent Council willing to fund – Council agreed. £500 spent on Christmas gifts and Pantomime thus far – total spend looking to be in region of £600. 	Martin to provide a cheque to school funds.
Funding/fundraising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> £500 award from MacLennan's MADL fund, to be split equally between football club and Youth club. Margaret mentioned An Commun Gàidhealach have funding for travel to National Mòd which might be of interest next year – Seonag Anderson is contact Bellina to ask lochdair Community Council if willing to contribute to Youth club Christmas party 	Council members encouraged to look out for other suitable funds that Parent Council could apply to. Margaret to look into Mòd funding further

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Looking at other possible sources of funding: Healthy Living Fund – for breakfast/brunch club for snacks?; Music for All fund for Club Ciuil - new instruments/consumables (e.g. guitar strings), also Eilidh's Trust, but only once a year 	<p>Bellina to ask CC re Christmas Party funding</p> <p>Phillipa to look into Healthy Living & music funds</p>
<p>Playpark & Ball Park:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Playpark now complete – waiting for grass to grow through matting, then plan official opening. Potentially end of February? Ball Park – chasing lease. Hoping to add ground on other side of ball park to lease also 	<p>Joan to plan official opening of playpark once grass ready</p>
<p>Communication:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> After consultation at parents evening, looking to move all Groupcall school communication to Eduspot app. Families felt multiple communication channels confusing and some messages missed. App link to be sent out to families before Christmas for people to download, start trial of effectiveness after Christmas holidays. School Meals: more notice of school meal changes to be given to allow families to plan if packed lunches need to be sent. 	<p>Joan to send out link for Eduspot app to families before Christmas</p>
<p>Awards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rights Respecting Schools (RRS) Award meeting took place on 3rd December. May be new year before we hear outcome. Gold Health & Wellbeing Sports Award documentation submitted 28th November. Eco Flag Gold award documentation to be submitted by 19th December. 	<p>Joan to share outcome of award applications with families when school hears</p>
<p>School Handbook:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed by Parent Council present – very minor changes. To be submitted by Monday 8th December 	<p>Joan to submit School Handbook</p>

<p>Club Updates:</p> <p>Football club</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next week last football club session of the year. • Club is looking for a Child Wellbeing Officer. • Andrew to look into new small sized bibs for club. <p>Youth club</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One more usual session, then final Christmas party session on 16th December. Selection Packs to be purchased as gifts (40 + 2 Free From) 	<p>Andrew to look into bibs for FC</p> <p>Call to be put out for Child Wellbeing Officer</p> <p>Phillipa to purchase selection packs</p>
<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew waiting on Chair of Chair meeting minutes • Validated Self Evaluation VSE in March (pre inspection) • Hall upgrade: Update from Gordie – funds have been set aside for lighting and media. Push to have complete in time for Uist Mòd in May. Borrowing PA & lighting from Ceolas for Christmas play. • Mòd Band: Christine & Billy have agreed to help with Mòd band in new year on Fridays 	
<p>Date of next meeting 19th February 7pm</p>	