

## Carleton Parent Voice

Meeting Minutes – 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026

Attended: Maxine Hayes, Kim MacLeod, Donna Davidson, Nicola Calder, Debbie Ure, Kirsty MacLeod, Katy Antropik

Apologies: Shaunie MacFarlane

Everyone was welcomed to the first Parent Voice Meeting of the new school year. The focus of the meeting was to discuss the summer fete, delayed from before the summer holidays.

It was proposed that the fete could take on a carnival feel, with traditional carnival style games for everyone to enjoy. Following on from the “kindness and community” aspects of previous fetes we will be inviting local community groups to enjoy the games and take part in activities and competitions on the day. As the fete was delayed beyond summer it has been renamed CARL’s Community Carnival.

### **Roll Up, Roll Up for CARL’s Community Carnival**

The carnival will be held in school on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September, from 11am – 1pm. Weather permitting this will be outside, and otherwise in the dinner and crush halls. There will be a variety of traditional carnival games to test your luck, so come and hook a duck, knock over a coconut and see if you can play your cards right. Active Schools will hopefully have activities available, and Glenrothes Disc Golf are happy to give us a demonstration of the sport.

There will also be stall holders, home baking, a bottle table and raffle – any raffle items, bottles (of any kind – booze, juice, shampoo etc) and home baking donations are welcomed and can be handed into school in advance.

To encourage the community aspect of the fete, there will be a “bake off” style competition. Keen bakers are asked to enter their cakes, cupcakes, biscuits and other creations for judging. Show off your talents by entering on the day.

As the colder weather isn’t far away, school are accepting donations of coats, hats, scarves etc that will be available to anyone needing them. These will be placed discretely on a rail at the carnival, along with uniform donations.

### **Halloween/Dazzle in the Dark**

As Halloween falls on a Saturday this year, pupils can wear costumes to school on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October. Due to the rescheduling of the fete, it was decided that the Parent Voice won't have a Halloween disco in school. Instead, the next disco will be a Dazzle in the Dark disco in November, to coincide with Road Safety Scotland week (15<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> November). A date for the disco will be finalised shortly.

School will accept donations of Halloween costumes again this year.

### **Gym/PE days**

Pupils will now take part in a minimum of two hours physical activity during the school week. To make best use of this time, pupils are asked to wear their gym kits to school for gym days. These sessions are likely to be split over two days in the week. If you require confirmation of your child's gym days these can be found on the school website, or from their teacher.

### **School Reinspection**

We are expecting that the school will be reinspected by Education Scotland in term 2. A number of Learning Partnership meetings and activities are taking place in preparation for this, and school are actioning the recommendations put forward after the previous inspection.

### **Other Business**

School continue to look at the safety in and around school grounds. Fencing and gates have been installed around the car park area to restrict access to pedestrians. Temporary fencing will shortly be installed in the infant end, until more permanent solutions can be found.

### **Dates for your diary**

**25<sup>th</sup> September – Dress Down Day** – donations for the foodbank welcome

**27<sup>th</sup> September** – CARL's Community Carnival

**29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> September** – School Photo Day

**2<sup>nd</sup> October** – NHS Flu Spray

**6<sup>th</sup> October and 8<sup>th</sup> October** 3:30-6:30pm – Parents Evenings

**6<sup>th</sup> October** – Parent Voice meeting in school, 6:30pm - AGM

**Date of next Parent Voice meeting**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October, 6:30pm AGM

New members always welcomed.