GREYFRIARS

Minutes

Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 10 September 2025 at 6.30pm

Present: Alison, George, Iwona, Verity, Claire, Chum, Colin, Cicely, Sarah, Lisa, Wilber, Louise, Emma, Mrs Crompton.

1. The Minutes of the last PC meeting (30 April 2025) were approved.

2. Welcome and Introduction to Parent Council (Alison).

- Greyfriars is a great school. Thank you for coming and being involved. Primary school is a great time to be involved in life whether through Parent Council, popping into School, helping on a school trip to the beach these are precious moments, and the children love their parents being involved.
- The Parent Council is a committee of parents. Office bearers, including the Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, & Social Secretary. There is a Church rep. appointed by Fr Patrick (the School chaplain), and then there are class reps., who are really important in liaising with parents from that class giving feedback to the School.
- At each meeting, we hear from Mrs Crompton the headteacher's report. The more we know as parents, the more we can support our children; we discuss upcoming social events, and we discuss the School and how we can support.
- Fundraising is important. We raised over £1,800 from Summer Fayre, and it was a lovely summer, end-of-year event.
- We're hoping to improve the sound system prior to the Panto, and also contribute the library.
- Last year, we were able to give money for 'make do' tools for P7. Things we have supported this year include: celebrations after the sacraments in Church; helping out at Sports Day; given money to subsidise a special P7 trip (this makes it affordable and inclusive for all the families); a new path to help children get safely to school; a sustainable fashion project.

3. Headteacher's report.

- The importance of the Parent-School partnership. We can do more together (e.g. the new path to the School), and the PC support us to do things.
- We are a Roman Catholic primary school: nurturing, caring, and respectful, and based on the teaching of the gospel, and keeping Christ at the centre of all we do.
- We want to make sure our children are supported and challenged in the learning, and preparing them for secondary school.
- Staffing.
 - O Classes. This year, we have 8 classes (but only just, as we have a falling school roll, owing to declining birthrate in Scotland). P1, P2, P3, P3/4, P5, P6, P6-7, and a P7.
 - O Staffing. Miss Gourley and Miss Skinner have been given permanent positions (so we now have 7 permanent staff). We have 2 new staff on one-year temporary appointments (due to our 8th class). We have four members of staff who only work 4 days a week (for different reasons). Mrs MacMillan

- is our Support for Learning teacher (2.5 days per week). A new PSA has been appointed (to replace Mrs Graham), for 20 hrs p/w. Mrs Mansen is going in maternity leave, so there is an advert for a 1 year 'maternity leave' post.
- We are committed to providing <u>high quality teaching and learning</u>. This year, we are seeking to transform our learning for our P6s and P7s. This is because Fife Council have purchased iPad for all P6s and P7s (and their teachers). We will have a mixture of jotter and screen time (not just screen time). The iPad will be sent home, and children will be able to access the internet to do homework (but there are very safe restrictions on internet access). The children will get their iPad on 9 December. Mrs Crompton has purchased Apple smart TVs to mount them on the walls, for use in conjunction with iPad.
- Assessing the curriculum. We are very good at assessing literacy: reading, writing, and maths. But we need to assess also PE, creative arts, etc. In the report cards, there was a section on 'meta skills'.
- Mrs Crompton has interviewed P7 candidates for <u>prefects</u>, and there has also been elections of <u>School captains</u> and <u>vice-captains</u>.
- <u>Chaplain links.</u> Fr Patrick is putting the needs of the parish first. He will come every Friday morning for 'mass' and 'good news'.
- Pupil voice groups, Pupil Council, Health Hub, RRS, Eco Committee, Reading Rovers etc will continue this session.
- Pantomime year. A big focus on the expressive arts we can come together to share our different talents, and there is a job for everybody. Workshops in the evening for help with P6s and P7s go through auditions, but every class does a turn on the stage.
 - o Dress Rehearsal: 8 December
 - o Performances: Wed. afternoon (10th Dec.) and Thurs. evening (11th Dec).
- 4. Treasurer's report.
 - £3354.29. July/August bank charges, and the balance is now: £3,320.44
- 5. Vacant Roles on Parent Council, and rejigging of Class reps (vis-a-visa composite classes etc).

OFFICE BEARERS

- 1. Chairperson: Alison Stevenson, AStevenson@thorntons-law.co.uk
- 2. Vice Chairperson (and Church Rep.): Arianna Carlini, ac114@st-andrews.ac.uk
- 3. <u>Secretary:</u> Lisa Farquhar volunteered to take over as secretary but only for 1 year (and Cicely Threlfall offered to stand in the wings to potentially take over this role the following year). <u>lisafarquar@randa.org</u>
- 4. <u>Treasurer:</u> Colin Campbell, <u>colincampbell45@hotmail.com</u>

STANDING MEMBERS

- 5. <u>Headteacher:</u> Collette Crompton, <u>Collette.Crompton@fife.gov.uk</u>, <u>greyfriarsrcps.headteacher@fife.gov.uk</u>
- 6. Staff Representative: Mrs Robertson, caroline.robertson@fife.gov.uk

- 7. Church Representative: Arianna Carlini, ac114@st-andrews.ac.uk
- 8. School Chaplain: Mgr. Patrick Burke, office.stjamesstandrews@staned.org.uk
- 9. Eco Representative: Anya Hart Dyke, anyahd@yahoo.com

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

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CLASS REPRESENTATIVES

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P6: Lizzie Corbett, lizbethcorbett@gmail.com

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P7: Lisa Farquhar, lisaafarquhar@yahoo.co.uk, and Arianna ac114@st-andrews.ac.uk,

6. Date of the first meeting of the Parent Council.

Wed 8th October at 7.00 pm.