

**Lochgelly South Primary – Parent Council Teams Meeting
Wednesday 5th October 2022**

Present: Lorraine Taylor, Lewis Jones, Kerry Johnstone and Helen Campbell.

Apologies: Debbie Patterson, Lee Brownlee, Jo Hood, Danielle Hynd and Lee Steel.

Agenda

1. Welcome
 2. School Improvement Plan
 3. Homework Consultation
 4. Upcoming Events
 5. Halloween Disco – planning
 6. Budget Update
 7. Dates of next meetings
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1. Welcome to Kerry Johnstone, our newest member of the Parent Council. A few other parents had expressed an interest and may come along to our next meeting.
 2. School Improvement Plan
 - a. Our attendance currently sits at 91% and our Council Stretch Target is to reach 95%.
 - b. Practitioner Enquiry will continue this year. This is professional learning for teaching staff, where they focus on one aspect of learning and teaching and track the impact of what they have changed.
 - c. Positive Behaviour and Ethos Policy – this will be reviewed this year to encompass de-escalation techniques; ASD friendly approaches will be a focus as this benefits all pupils.
 - d. Assessment and moderation are a focus at cluster level and we will be working with others with a focus on writing. This is to develop robust assessment processes across the school and nursery.
 3. Homework
 - a. two thirds of parents/carers requested to keep the use of Microsoft Teams only rather than introducing SeeSaw in P1-3 as this would be an additional platform to navigate.
 - b. Half of parents/carers requested homework consisting of reading, spelling and a range of activities from across the curriculum. This has been outlined in our revised Homework Policy, which has been shared with parents/carers and is available on our school Glow site. This will be reviewed with parents/carers at the end of the year.
 4. Upcoming events
 - a. Halloween Disco will be on Wednesday 26th October for N4-P3 pupils at 5-6pm and P4-7 pupils at 6.15-7.30pm.
 - b. Christmas Fair will be on 8th December 2022 and tickets will be printed via the Print Room as this will be more cost effective.
 - c. Pantomime with Nardone's on Wednesday 21st December 2022 which is the last day of term 2 at a cost of £5 a ticket.
 5. Halloween Disco
 - a. Treats will include crisps, bags of jelly sweets and chocolate. Drinks station will also be available. Tickets will cost £2.50 and are available on the night. Profits will go towards the Christmas Panto.
 6. Budget update
 - a. Lewis Jones shared the Parent Council fund is currently at £2098 after the Summer Fair.
 - b. The Parent Council has agreed to pay 50% of the Panto at £465 and the school will pay the remaining £465.
 - c. The Parent Council has also agreed to pay 1/3 of the P7 Leavers' Hoodies, at approximately £150, the school will pay 1/3 of the cost, with P7 fundraising the remaining 1/3 of the cost.

- d. Future potential funding was discussed, with ideas for new library furniture including low level seating and soft furnishings.
- 7. Dates of future meetings – new members are always welcome, please feel free to come along and contribute in whatever way you can:
 - i. Wednesday 23rd November 2022 at 4.30pm
 - ii. Thursday 9th February 2023 at 4.30pm
 - iii. Wednesday 31st May 2023 at 4.30pm