


Minute of Parent Forum – 18/02/2025 1:30pm and 25/2/2025 6pm

In attendance; Jackie Urquhart, Daiva Balcuinas, Sharon Veelenturf
Evening session: Dave Lynch, Karyn Rodgers

Discussion points:	Action Points:
Welcome and apologies	Apologies; Tracy Greer-Stuart
Staff/pupils updates	<p>2 vacant posts till the summer advertised on a temporary basis. Welcome to Erin Malcolm in Rm 1, some of you may know Erin from OOSC.</p> <p>New pupil – Welcome to Izzy and her family This caused a wave of movement across the school at short notice. Things are starting to settle, but this has affected staffing ratios and class groups. Some classes are now on reduced ratios on a part time or full-time basis. This may affect swimming etc. but we will do our best to prioritise daily.</p> <p>Elaine Balfour leaves us on Friday after 35 years' service to Rosslyn school. Elaine has always been loved for her musical ability and nurturing and fun approach. We wish her all the best as she changes her career and has a slower pace to life.</p> <p>Taylor Finlay also leaves as she heads to another authority to work in Early Years. Taylor has been with us since she was a student. Her natural ability to interact and teach at the highest level was recognised early on in her career. We will miss her and wish her all the best in her new career.</p> <p>All posts are currently to be advertised as temporary till the summer.</p>
Active Schools update – Rachael 	<p>Email: Kalia.dair@fife.gov.uk</p> <p>New Active School's Coordinator for Viewforth cluster.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PAMIS rebound – Looking to start a rebound club at Viewforth. PAMIS are aware that all the equipment required is in place. We are still waiting on further information. - JU met with KD to look at the School Sports award for Rosslyn. We have a Bronze Award already in recognition of our curriculum which is rich in physical activity. Next steps are to create an extracurricular club. You have been sent a FORMS questionnaire, and more details will follow. This will be a 3:15pm – 4pm session after school one evening. Parents will stay and play. Learners will vote each week on the activities they enjoy, and the club will be led by their votes. - Eater Parasports STARS – This will be run by Active Schools in the Eater holidays. More information to follow. - Parasports RISE – This is a group for more complex needs young people. Only 7 or 8 in a group. Activities will be differentiated. Parents need to stay. This is running successfully in Dunfermline and there are plans to start a RISE club in Viewforth.



School Improvement and PEF



IDL – Personalised approach (interest-based learning)

Teachers have decided to launch IDL based on the needs of individuals/partners/small groups, taking account of the stages of play for each pupil.

Each learner will have their own project. We have agreed the planning format for this and will trial it with 1 learner per class this term. We have trialled a variety of options to arrive at an approach agreed by all teachers and relevant to individuals within each class.

We will share more on this as we approach our Learning Partnership in March.

Tracking update – The move to a Fife wide tool for tracking learners with complex needs is delayed. We were due to start this in January, but it is more likely that we will not be ready to pilot till Aug 2025. We will continue to use our current format for tracking till then.

Moderation update – We have been moderating our planning, tracking and reporting in school with teachers. We have agreed our expectation and standards in line with the National standard. We are now looking to moderate the SQA with our partner special schools to ensure we have a collaborative approach to moderation within the SQA.

SQA Pathway – short life working group. We have created SQA Pathways into destinations for adult life. We would like to share this with you and get feedback from families. Are the pathways helpful in selecting courses? How do we work back from possible destinations? How do we select courses in S4 in a timely way, having opportunities for taster sessions through S1-3?

10am Friday 7th March – You do not need to have a young person in S1-6 to join this. All are welcome!

Hairdresser update – Sharon continues to support learners within school and visiting a salon in the community. 2 of our pupils are ready to transition to a Kirkcaldy salon with their parents! This is life changing! But it is not just about a haircut. This opportunity allows an IDL approach to managing a difficult situation. We will continue to need your support in securing funding for next year as our PEF money has supported this for 5 years. Any ideas, please get in touch. We would love anyone to come and see the benefits of this in school.

Mini -bus driver update: 2 PSA staff are ready to sit their D1 and we are hopeful to have them MiDAS trained by the end of the school year. We also have a new minibus on order and expect delivery of this in the summer term.

Rights Respecting Schools



Helen Mead is leading on this and looking for parent forum members.



We are looking for approximately 3 more volunteers. Currently on the group we have:

Lynne Hailstones
Amanda Beveridge
Sharon Veelenturf

We welcomed Helen back to work this week, and she will be in touch to arrange the first committee meeting. This is likely to be a Friday afternoon



	when you are in for family fun sessions. These will also start up again in the next week or so.
Fundraising School funds	<p>Bikes update – Bikes have been ordered.</p> <p>Biko Italian bikes x 5 – £9,341.10 1 Tracer junior and 1 adult, plus 1 Quad cycle - £3,954 Imp purchased Biko donated 10 bikes in total</p> <p>Bikes should be in school by the end of term. We plan on having a Saturday morning event to share our new resource with parents, families, staff, partners and trustees.</p> <p>Bike shed will be emptied and remodelled to store bikes securely and allow access.</p> <p>Need to look at a maintenance programme.</p> <p>Physio will assist with assessments for pupils that require this.</p> <p>Massive THANK-YOU to all who worked hard behind the scenes raising money from a variety of sources and trustees.</p> <p>There may be another opportunity to raise funds. Ideas of what is required that will benefit all pupils:</p> <p>Summer club for families Hairdresser</p>
Easyfundraising	<div><p>Thank you to everyone for raising donations for Rosslyn School Fundraising with #easyfundraising! If you haven't signed up yet, it's easy and completely FREE. 8,100 brands will donate to us when you use easyfundraising to do your everyday online shopping - at no extra cost to you! Every donation you raise makes a difference to us so please sign up & share today. https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/rosslynschoolfundraising/TW!NIZ/at/TSX8RX7z/DM1329437/facebook/</p></div>
Friends of Rosslyn update	<p>Friends of Rosslyn committee: Chair – Dave Lynch Secretary – Lindsay Charnley Treasurer – John Hailstones</p>

	<p>Discussed charity status – this would involve a revised constitution. JU to invite Fife Council in to discuss this with families before the end of term.</p> <p>Pamper opportunities?</p> <p>Itinerary of Amazon Wish List – Christmas event Start the list in August 2025 – ready to share in September</p> <p>LC – Funds for the summer club – Cash for Kids</p> <p>JU – Check summer fund with AL.</p>
<p>The Big House</p> 	<p>Big house multibank- List from Mhairi for ordering- weekly/ fortnightly. Please use or loose it!</p>
<p>Parking</p>	<p>The odd difficult day, but overall parking is much improved.</p>
<p>Upcoming dates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 10am Friday 7th March – SQA pathway family group - 18th March morning session – Rosslyn Learning Partnership – Family feedback group will be asked to meet with HTs and Education Manager - 5th April to 20th April Easter Holidays
<p>AOB</p>	<p>OOSC – Clarify changes – causing anxiety</p> <p>JU to request a meeting with OOSC management to discuss protocols, procedures and guidance with Rosslyn families.</p>
<p>Next Parent Forum meeting</p>	<p>13th May 1:30pm and 6pm</p>