

ST FRANCIS PARENT COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



Date: 28 May 2026

Time: 6.00pm

Facilitator: Blessed John Dunn Scotus

The Parent Council is made up of parents who represent the views of families and work in partnership with school staff and the local authority to achieve the best outcomes for all pupils.

The Parent Council provides a collective voice for parents on matters such as the quality and standards of education at the school, as well as other issues of interest.

We have a core group of members who actively support the school and help St Francis continue to move forward.

During the term year 2025/26, the Parent Council was grateful for the support of 1 co-opted member (Fr Donal) and staff management team who attend the meetings, we have held 4 Parent Council Meetings in this session and an additional AGM/PC Meeting. We currently have 8 active members.

The Parent Council acted as a sounding board for several new school policies and initiatives, and members welcomed this consultative approach.

Summary of issues that the Parent Council were consulted on, informed of and participated in during the year of 2025/26:

- The school's delivery of the curriculum
- The School Improvement Plan
- School trips and social events
- Promoting positive behaviours in school

Our Contribution to School over the last year – 2025/26

All funds raised by the Parent Council are used to support the work of the school, extra-curricular activities and extras for the children. In summary, we have supported the following:

- Family Fun night
- Road safety protests
- Term 4 disco
- Primary 1 Santa Experience (Breakfast and Visit with Santa at Dobbies)
- School ties for P7
- Senor Dunn Memorial Garden

- Music Broth
- Kano Foundation Celtic tickets
- Outdoor play – footballs, skipping ropes, basketballs,
- Ongoing monetary support to help school raise funds – hampers for raffles / tuck shop
- Plant sale

Parent Council Focus, Events and Fundraising Activities

Family Fun Night

We kicked off the 2025/26 session with another successful Family Fun Night at Blessed John Duns Scotus, kindly supported by Fr Donal. With bingo, a DJ, face painting and a tombola, the event was a great success and welcomed around 150 attendees.

Thanks to support from New Gorbals Housing, generous parent donations and a lot of planning by the Parent Council, the night raised an excellent £1,225 towards the Primary 1 Santa Experience.

In the interest of fairness, it was agreed that fundraising would contribute towards the trip, with parents making a contribution.

The parent council used £270 of the money raised towards the trip with £702 coming from P1 families.

Road Safety

As you will be aware, the street outside the front gate is part of the Safer Streets programme, which means no vehicles should be using this road between 8.30am and 9.15am, and again from 2.30pm to 3.15pm. Despite this, the restriction continues to be disregarded by some parents and local businesses.

With the support of the school management team and families, we have held two no-car protests before school, which received some press coverage. While these were effective on the day, the improvement was only temporary and the issue has continued.

The PC have been in regular contact with Police Scotland to actively encourage police presence on the road.

We will continue to work with local police and our councillor over the coming year to press for meaningful improvement in this situation.

Co-op Fund

We were awarded £1,776.13 in November 2023, which has since been used to create the memorial garden for Senor Dunn. This has been a particularly meaningful project for the school community, creating a lasting space that honours his memory while also providing something positive and beneficial for the children.

The Parent Council contributed a further £104.71 to the garden and were honoured to support something so special, and we hope the garden will continue to be valued by pupils and families for many years to come.

Tuck Shop

We donated £120 to the school so the house teams could run a fundraising tuck shop. We are pleased to continue supporting the children by giving them the opportunity to take the lead in organising and raising money for the school.

Kano Foundation

We were pleased to receive an allocation of 46 tickets for a Celtic match. Parents were only asked to cover the cost of the bus. This continues to be a very popular event, especially for children who may not otherwise have the chance to attend a football match due to the cost. It is always a pleasure to secure places, as the event is extremely well organised and each child receives lunch and a goodie bag. We have applied again for tickets for next season.

The parent council contributed £165.00 towards the buses for the trip with a small contribution from those attending to cover the balance.

School Disco

We fully funded the recent Term 4 disco, covering the DJ and school let costs. Although it took place later in the school year due to new PVG requirements for Parent Council members, it was a great success and provided an event the whole school could enjoy. We are grateful to the school management team for their support. The DJ cost £180 and the school let cost £84.75.

School Fundraising

We have supported the school by contributing funds towards raffle hampers for the Christmas shows. We are always pleased to help with school fundraising where we can. The cost was between £30 and £50.

Music Broth

We were pleased to support a full day of music lessons and taster sessions for Primary 3 pupils. This provided the children with an opportunity to engage in music and experience a range of activities. The Parent Council remains keen to support ongoing music provision within the school. The cost of this support was £350.

Plant Sale

For the second year in a row, one of our Parent Council members, Edward, recently organised a plant sale outside the school gates at drop off and pick up for 4 consecutive days. This was a great success and raised £504 for the school funds. Well done to Edward and Sissi!

Easy fundraising

Easy fundraising is one of the UK's largest charity shopping platforms, with over 8,000 retailers donating a percentage of purchases to a chosen cause at no extra cost to the shopper. When purchases are made through the Easy fundraising website or app, the resulting commission is converted into a donation for the Parent Council. Uptake remains low, and increased use would provide a simple way to support the school.

Outdoor/Sports Equipment

Using monies raised from the family fun night the parent council purchased £250 worth of sports/outdoor equipment at the start of the 25/26 term. Thanks to Decathlon for supporting with a small discount on the items.

Accounts Update

A copy of the PC accounts as of the 28th of May 2025 are shared below:

BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD		£ 3,392.30	30th June 2025	Including CF of Co-Op Fund £1776.13	
		INCOME	EXPENDITURE	Notes	
15.07.25	Service Charge		£ 4.25		
18.07.25	Glasgow City Council Income	£ 400.00			
14.08.25	Easy Fundraising	£ 242.88			
15.08.25	Service Charge		£ 4.25		
21.08.25	Border Embroiderie - P7 Ties		£ 441.00		
01/09/2025	Game Prizes Paid to E Jennings		£ 26.63		
02/09/2025	Family Fun Night Card Sales	£ 87.89			
01/09/2025	Table Covers		£ 31.03		
01/09/2025	Glow Sticks (CONEILL)		£ 24.22		
01/09/2025	Glow Sticks (Ejennings)		£ 19.54		
01/09/2025	Face Painter		£ 180.00		
	Service Charge		£ 4.25		
01/09/2025	Fruit Shoots, Cars and Sundries (CONEILL)		£ 19.04	Original cost was £45.04 but CO reimbursed for 72 cars to cover £26.00	
01/09/2025	Balloons (J Dark)		£ 41.46		
19/09/2025	Family Fun Night CASH	£ 1,479.60			
14/10/2025	Service Charge		£ 4.25		
28/10/2025	Sports Equipment - Paid to C O'Neill		£ 250.00		
28/10/2025	IKEA - Bags for Uniform Drive - Paid to CO		£ 31.50		
13/11/2025	Easy Fundraising	24.07			
17/11/2025	Service Charge		£ 15.76		
16/12/2025	Service Charge		£ 4.25		
18/12/2025	P1 Santa Visit - Paid to Coneill		£ 972.00		
19/12/2025	Monies from P1 Parent Collection for Santa	£ 702.00			
12/01/2026	Service Charge		£ 4.25		
12/02/2026	Easy Fundraising	22.55			
16/02/2026	Service Charge		£ 4.25		
27/02/2026	Buses for Celtic Match		£ 365.00		
17/03/2026	Service Charge		£ 4.25		
19/03/2026	Money in from St Francis	£ 200.00			
26/03/2026	Book an Artist - Mural		£ 141.00		
30/03/2026	Stones and Supplies for Garden Paid to D Kelly		£ 830.00		
31/03/2026	Music Broth		£ 350.00	240 divided for Music Broth	
31/03/2026	Paid to K Johnston For House Day TUCK		£ 122.35		
14/04/2026	Service Charge		£ 4.25		
23/04/2026	Contribution to Music Broth E Anderson	£ 110.00			
24/04/2026	Payment to Mrs Rutherford for Garden Supplies		£ 221.92		
29/04/2026	Let for Disco		£ 84.75		
30/04/2026	Payment to CONEILL - Refunding Mural Balance		£ 329.00		
01/05/2026	Income from DISCOTUCK	£ 220.95		Sales on Night - DJ Paid in cash from this £180 so £40.95 paid into bank	
01/05/2026	DJ for Disco		£ 180.00		
07/05/2026	Items for Memorial Garden paid to D Kelly		£ 358.92		
14/04/2026	Service Charge		£ 4.67		
27/05/2026	Tuck Shop - Booker D Refunded to C ONEILL		£ 90.32		
		£ 6,882.24	£ 5,168.36		
					BALANCE £ 1,713.88

Co op Money Use	£1,776.13	
26/03/2026	Book an Artist - Mural	£ 141.00
30/03/2026	Stones and Supplies for Garden Paid to D Kelly	£ 830.00
24/04/2026	Garden Supplies - Weed Matt Etc	221.92
30/04/2026	Balance of Mural	329
07/05/2026	Ornaments for Garden - Paid to D Kelly	358.92
		-£104.71

Membership

The PTC needs new members to keep it vibrant, particularly parents whose children are at the start of their school experience and have a long association ahead of them. Everyone on the PTC brings something different and something useful to make it work, so please don't think you have nothing to offer. We have a few voting spaces becoming available as our members will leave due to their children moving to secondary education.

If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact:

Email: stfrancisprimaryparentcouncil@gmail.com

All parents and carers are welcome to attend PC meetings. Updates from the Parent Council and minutes of all meetings are available on the school website and are posted outside the school office on the Parent Council Notice Board.

We will continue to use the school newsletter, twitter and Facebook to keep you informed.

Chairperson comments

This has been another successful year for the Parent Council, and I would like to sincerely thank all committee members for their continued hard work and commitment. Despite being small in number, we have remained dedicated in our efforts to fundraise and support the school.

I would also like to thank the school management team for their ongoing support, and in particular Acting Head Teacher Gemma, who has been extremely supportive since joining in August 2025.

Our thanks also go to Fr Donal, Fr Caoimhín and Br Nial for their generosity in allowing us to use the hall for our Family Fun Night and providing a meeting room for Parent Council meetings free of charge – it is very much appreciated.

Claire Logue 27/05/2026