



# Wallacewell Primary

## Parent Council

### Agenda

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**In attendance:** Laura Davidson (HT), Ross Nisbet (C), Elizabeth Smith (Minute Secretary), Denise White

1. **Welcome** - Ross welcomed all and thanked Denise White for coming along.
2. **Headteacher's update** -

**Educational Experiences** - We have worked hard this session to secure a variety of educational experiences at no or limited costs to families including a whole school outing to Blairdrummond Safari Park and an in-school 2-day experiences with Wildside Nature funded through our Edina Trust application. We are delighted to share that we have been successful in securing places for our Primary 6 pupils on a new pilot programme - Glasgow's Urban Adventure Award. This programme incorporates an inclusive approach in line with *Glasgow's All Learners All Achieving Policy*. It also values the voice of children, enabling contributions and ideas to be heard and considered to support the development of a meaningful curriculum, in line with *Glasgow's 22-27 Educational Strategy*.

Educational experiences are an important part of pupils learning but do not need to involve a physical trip to another venue or location. Next year we will continue to explore opportunities to enhance teaching and learning through

education experiences with a focus on the *National Trusts '50 things to do before you're 11¾.'*

**Carparking** – Our new procedures within our main carpark are working well. We continue to work closely with the Health and Safety Team at Glasgow City Council to ensure the safety of everyone. Our main carpark lines are being repainted on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 2024. We recently issued parents/carers with a letter outlining our safeguarding procedures.

**School Values** – As families will know we are in the process of refreshing our school. Parents/carers were consulted at our parents' evenings in March 2024. Pupils and staff will be selecting the top 4 or 5 values that resonate with them. These will become our new school values which will be launched in August 2024.

**PEF Spending** – As we reach the end of the financial year (April 2023-March 2024) we start to plan for the new Pupil Equity funding we will be allocated by the Scottish Government in the new financial year (April 2024-March 2025), Our allocation for financial year 2023-24 was £95,550. We will be consulting with families this month to help us shape our future planning. Possible priorities that have been identified to take forward based on our robust quality assurance and consultation to date include –

- Enhancement of Core Staffing (Teaching & Learning)
- Effective Feedback (Teaching & Learning)
- Teaching and Learning Policy (Teaching & Learning)
- Chat that Counts (MATHS)
- Daily Writing/Sentence Building (LITERACY)
- Word Aware (LITERACY)
- Upper School Reading (LITERACY)
- PATHS (HWB)

- House System (HWB)
- Targeted Nurture Support (HWB)
- Inclusive Approaches (HWB)
- Community School (Partnership Working)
- Pupil Voice (Partnership Working)

**Funding from PC** – Thank you once again to the Parent Council for contributing to the Primary 7 Leavers hoodies for 2023-24. The Primary 7's are delighted with them. The school would like to request support from the Parent Council for next year's P7 hoodies which are being ordered.

**Community Partnerships** – We are working hard to build partnerships within our local community. Our mission is to become more of a 'Community School.' We have made a link with the Community Development Team at Glasgow University to see how we can take this further. An initial first step for us is our Community Breakfast. The aim of our Community Networking Breakfast is to bring people and organisations together to share resources, connections, and experiences. A wide variety of organisations are invited to share information and partner together for the benefit of the community.





**Robroyston**  
**Community Networking Breakfast**

Join us for our first ever Community Networking Breakfast. The aim of our Community Networking Breakfast, hosted by Wallacewell Primary, is to bring people and organisations together to share resources, connections, and experiences.

A wide variety of organisations are invited to share information and partner together for the benefit of the community. We would love to welcome you along.

If you are working or volunteering in the Robroyston community and would like to come along to the Community Networking Breakfast, please scan the QR code to sign up.

*We look forward to seeing you soon!*

**When: Tuesday 21st May 2024**  
**9.30-11am**

**Where: Wallacewell Primary School**



### 3. Treasures Update: Account Balance

- Opening Balance (01.02.24) £459.39
- Paid Out (17.04.24) £350 P7 Hoodies & Crème Eggs
- Current Balance (17.04.24) £109.39

### 4. Chair's Update:

- a) Councillor Cannon was asked at the Parent Council meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> March to provide an update on the options the council was considering in relation to the pitch, the capacity of the school, and the pick-up/drop-off point by w/c 22 April. Councillor Cannon emailed the Parent Council on 18 April to say that she hadn't seen any of the reports council officers are working on, but had asked for them again.

Ross responded to confirm receipt of the email and provided her with an update on the meeting he had with BCDC on the 20th March 2024. The Council had said that BCDC was conducting an independent feasibility study for a sports hub on land adjacent to the primary school. However, BCDC confirmed that it was directed to that piece of land by Council Officers and that the money for the study was being awarded through the Vacant and Derelict Land Fund administered by Glasgow City Council. Furthermore, BCDC was notified of its award nearly a year ago, but the money still hasn't been released.

Ross had asked Councillor Cannon to look into this and provide an update by 29 April, but hasn't received anything. He will ask her about this at the next meeting of the Robroyston Community Council on 2 May.

- b) The issues which had been highlighted by the Parent Council were the same as those which would be discussed at the public meeting of 2nd May. (*Minutes of this meeting can now be found on the Robroyston Schools Facebook page*).

- c) It was felt by the PC that, going forward, the PC should become more visible in order to encourage more parents to come on board. It is hoped that a Facebook page will be up and running soon. The idea of a virtual link to future PC would be investigated.
  
- d) As we continue to support our school, we will review our Grand Challenges in our final PC meeting in June.  
It was suggested that a Fund-Raising sub-committee should be formed which would focus on generating ideas to raise much needed funds for WPS. A member of this sub-committee would attend future PC meetings. Denise White was very keen to be involved in this and as such she was elected to the role of coordinator of the Fund-Raising sub-committee.  
The parent Council welcomed her on board and we all look forward to working with Denise.

5. Next meeting agreed as ***Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024 at 6pm.***