

Wallacewell Primary

Parent Council

Agenda

Monday 28th April 2025

Present: Laura Davidson (HT), Denise White (Chair), Caryn Smith (Vice Chair), Elizabeth Smith (Minute Secretary), Councillor Thomas Rannachan

1. Welcome & Introductions.

Miss Davidson welcomed all to the meeting. We were all very pleased to welcome along Thomas Rannachan who participated in our discussions.







2. Headteacher Update

Staffing for 2025-26 - As we progress towards Term 4, we are looking ahead at next session, specifically classes and our allocation of teachers. All schools in Glasgow were impacted by the budget cuts last session. As a result of the budget cuts, there was a hold on the recruitment of teachers across the city, meaning any permanent positions were not filled on a permanent basis. For next session the plan is for all permanent positions to be filled. Glasgow's Human Resources (HR) Department are currently working on this as part of the annual staffing exercise.

Next session we have 6 permanent posts to fill. These posts are available because of teachers retiring or moving onto new posts, including promoted posts, within education. We also have 4 temporary posts to fill. These are mainly because of maternity leaves. We will not be able to confirm class teachers for next session until we

know who our new staff are. It is our hope that we will know all our permanent teachers by the beginning of June 2025. However, we may not know who our temporary teachers are until August 2025. Therefore, we may not be able to inform families about class teachers prior to finishing for the Summer Break. We understand this may be worrying for parents/carers, but we would like to reassure you all that we will do our very best to ensure that transitions to the next stage in school will be as smooth as possible for all our children. This is a process that is completely out with the hands of the school. We are as keen to find out who our new staff are as families are, and as such the Head Teacher is in regular communication with GCC's Education HR Team.

Trades House Community Award – The school have applied for the Trades House Community Award which recognises commitment to community work. Over the last two years the school have been involved in a variety of successful community projects including –

-  The Bothy
-  The ASN Blether Café
-  Dads & Donuts
-  Parks for People
-  Community Defibrillator
-  Community Networking Breakfast

The school will keep families posted about the outcome of this award which will be announced in June 2025.

3. **Treasurer Update**







The balance as of April 2025 was £1160.78.

4. **Chairs Update**

The subject of the summer school disco was raised. PC will be involved in this. Date = *Thursday the 12th of June 2025*. There will be three discos – one for Primary 1-2, one for Primary 3-4 and one for Primary 5-7. Times to be confirmed. Tickets will be priced at £2.60 which will include a snack provided by the PC. Snack = a drink, crisps and a sweet treat. Tickets will be purchased via Parent Pay and as such no cash will be required on the night of the discos.

5. **Update from Thomas Rannachan.**

There was an excellent discussion on a variety of topics. These included:

-  Ongoing concerns about the school pitch
-  The installation of traffic lights on Standburn Road
-  The possibility of the creation of a path to the rear of the school overflow carpark which hopefully would reduce tracking congestion in the overflow carpark by making it easier and safer for families to park at the other side of the field and walk across
-  Concerns about the condition of the ground underfoot in the school playground i.e. the mud especially on days when the weather is wet
-  Carparking at the school
-  Fly tipping on school property

All these issues are a matter of concern and directly impact the school community. We are hopeful of some developments on some or all of these. Councillor Rannachan will update the Community Council in due course regarding possible solutions to the above concerns with a view to utilising *Section 75 Fund*,

specifically the *ENV2* proportion of *Section 75* monies, and the use of *Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund*. Interested parties are encouraged to attend Community Council meetings for further updates. Councillor Rannachan will also organise a visit to the school, with other council representatives, to see how he can support with development of the playground. Date TBC.

6. ACOB

Denise thanked Miss Davidson and members for attending. Denise also thanked Councillor Rannachan for his time.