Comhairle Nam Pàrant

Bunsgoil Ghàidhlig Ghleann Dail

Thursday 3rd October 2019 @ 18.30

Present: Cormac Quinn (Chair), Ailie Rutherford, Gill Wylie, Jenny Williams, Mr McGeachy, Ms McCoull, Ms MacDonald, Triona Ryan, Rachel Anderson, Gillian Campbell Thow (Education Services) Greig Wishart

Apologies: Paola Rezzilli, Stephen Culbertson, Rona MacDonald

1. Welcome/ Fáilte
   1. Notes of the last meeting

The AGM notes were approved.

* 1. Update on new appointees

The Chair confirmed the appointments made at the AGM and added that Rona MacDonald will be leading on Gaelic Promotion.

Chair Cormac Quinn

Vice-Chair Rachel Anderson

Treasurer Triona Ryan

Secretary Jenny Williams

Gaelic Promotion Rona MacDonald

* 1. Open out to anyone else who wishes to join

The Chair reiterated that parents are welcome to join the CNP at any time and are welcome to attend meetings at any time.

* 1. Terms of Reference

The Chair will meet with the previous chair to ensure a comprehensive hand over and to make sure he is included in the relevant groups.

1. Head teachers report

See attached.

1. Fèill na Nollaige
   1. Call for volunteers

A parentmail will be sent out requesting volunteers to help with the fayre. Suggested dates are 30th Nov/ 7th Dec. The date of the Glendale Fayre will be confirmed.

* 1. Establish a subgroup

Gill Wylie will lead on setting up the subgroup.

NB – It will take place on Saturday 7th December 10am – 1pm.

More help/ stall donations is required and parent mails are going out.

1. Playground (Playing Together Application)

Gill has started an application for funding for the Playground. It is about bringing people together for the benefit of the community. She has approached Glendale Primary Parent Council and they are keen to work together on it and they would also like to run a joint summer event.

Rachel would like some support to extend the Green Wall in the Playground.

Gillian from Education Services was at the meeting and offered support to find additional funding to support the application.

1. Resilience Screening – report on the Screening on 2nd October

The screening and subsequent discussion went really well although attendance numbers were slightly disappointing.

1. Afterschool Clubs
   1. Science Club

Greig Wishart attended the meeting to discuss a Science/ Tech afterschool club. There are 8-10 parents interested in helping and lots of ideas. It would be open to C3 + and would run for one hour weekly. Pupils will be charged £1. CNP will support via the purchase of some equipment and will look into insurance requirements.

* 1. Music afterschool

Stephen Culbertson is looking at options for more music provision. Gillian Frame is also keen to help with additional music provision.

* 1. Climate Club

Alex Wilde is meeting with Ms McCoull re setting up a Climate Club. Alex ran some workshops during Eco-week and there is a lot of interest from pupils. Hopefully Glendale PS will also want to be involved.

NB: PVG checks will be required for all involved.

1. Eco Week and how the school community can be involved in climate action

Ailie noted that pupils could be invited to discuss their actions during assembly (as has happened at other schools), engage in banner making at school etc.

Ailie also referenced a letter from the Young Peoples Commissioner – see link below

<https://www.cypcs.org.uk/education/human-rights-defenders/climate-strike-letter-to-education-leaders/>

It was suggested that there are good opportunities for school community to discuss the pressing impact of Climate Change more. A recently produced film An Drasta! (in Gaelic) looks at the impact of climate change on the Western Isles and how it is threatening the Gaelic language.

It was suggested that the CNP arrange a screening of the film for pupils and parents.

1. Celebrating Diversity

It was suggested that we look at ways of celebrating diversity in the school and in the wider community through events. Perhaps linking up with Glendale Primary Parent Council.

1. Links with Glendale Primary Parent Council

See items 4 + 8.

1. Cruinneachadh Buidheachais/ Thanksgiving Assembly

Several members can assist with the Tea/ Coffee etc at the assembly. It was suggested that we invest in real cups to reduce waste.

1. Mòd Ghlaschu Ceilidh agus Mòd Ghlaschu

Everybody is looking forward to the National MOD in Glasgow in October. Several pupils are participating, individually, in the choir and in the drama group. Several parentmails have been sent out regarding the MOD itself and the fringe events that are on during the week.

1. Spòrs Gàidhlig

The group was extremely disappointed to hear that Spors Gaidhlig has lost funding support and was forced to close, making people redundant and also limiting the Gaelic sports/ activites provision.

NB: Spors Gaidhlig has since secured some funding.

1. Headlice

There is an ongoing problem with headlice in the school which is causing frustration among parents. However it was felt that it is not at an unusual level. The Headlice information powerpoint that was circulated via Parentmail was very comprehensive.

1. AOB

* Behaviour on the bus seems to have improved, there has been no recent complaints.
* There was a discussion regarding subsidised places for the P6/7 residential trip to Blairvadich – perhaps a 2-tier structure?
* It was suggested that a Financial Planning Sub-group was established which would recommend projects to be supported.

1. Next meeting – Thursday 28th November @ 18.30