

Comhairle Nam Pàrant Gàidhlig Ghleann Dail
Minutes from meeting 31st August 2023

Attendees: Mr Nicolson, Ms Lynsey, Verity (chair person), Jacqui (secretary), Beth, Stephen, Morven, Katie, Robert, Jade, Jenny, Gill.

Apologies: Sarah

Head Teacher update: Several items were discussed including;

Mr Nicolson provided a detailed update and discussion of the School Improvement Planning Template which has been submitted following the HMIE Inspection in January 2023.

Discussion took place surrounding both the anti-bullying policy and the communication policy, the development of each is ongoing and Mr Nicolson is planning to have parent working groups to contribute to each of these.

A full written update has been requested to accompany the minutes.

Head teacher vacancy update: The head teacher post remains vacant at present with plans to advertise for an executive head to cover both Glendale Gaelic and Govan. Ms Walker will be stepping into the principal teacher vacancy following Ms MacDonalds departure.

Bus Safeguarding: Two separate issues of bus safety had been raised. The first of these is the use of seatbelts by all children but We believe that has been resolved. The second of these is whether there should be a chaperone on the bus to support the driver and children, and whether a parent supervisor would be appropriate. This will be put to Glasgow City council this week.

Ipad usage: Ipads are currently not in use in class and will not be reintroduced until after the October break. Ms Lynsey hopes to provide an update for parents on how and when ipads are used within class. Parents with specific concerns are encouraged to contact Ms Lynsey directly to allow these to be addressed.

Music provision: Whistle tuition will be available soon to children in class 3. It is hoped that both chanter and accordion tuition will be available soon for children in the older year groups.

Air filters in class: It was discussed whether air filters would have a benefit in class. It was thought that due to being a modern building, Co2 markers are monitored and acted upon if needed, therefore it was deemed not to be necessary.

Spòrs Gàidhlig Map: There is an opportunity for a fun learning session (4th October) for children to be taught using a giant map of Scotland with games and activities. Mr Nicolson has agreed to support this and funds will be provided by the school.

PE uniform: This was discussed and as there are some who prefer own clothes and some who prefer a set uniform, Mr Nicolson will decide if this is something that should be put to vote.

Finance update: The available funds from the parent council are running low.

Fundraising updates: It was decided that a ceilidh would not be possible this autumn/winter due to another school event. It was decided that a Christmas Fayre will go ahead and the date has been set for Saturday 25th November 2023. A Christmas disco will be held on Thursday 14th of December. Volunteers to lead on both these events are required. The next failte Friday will include a P7 fundraiser to raise funds for their leavers celebrations and hoodies.

Membership of the Comhairle Nam Pàrant: We are delighted to welcome 4 new members to the parent council. We are always keen to have further parents join and if you wish to do so please do get in touch via comhairlenamparantbggd@gmail.com Current position vacant – Vice chairperson

Actions:

Bullying and comms policy ongoing – Mr Nicolson

Christmas disco – Volunteer to lead

Christmas fayre – Volunteer to lead

Green screens plan – Sarah

PE days uniform – Mr Nicolson

Date of next meeting – AGM 5th October at 18:30, all welcome to attend.

