

# Comhairle Nam Pàrant Gàidhlig Ghleann Dail

## Minutes from Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> October 2023

**Attendees:** Mr Nicolson, Ms Lyndsey, Ms Walker, Verity (chairperson), Jacqui (secretary), Katie, Morven, Robert, Sarah

**Apologies:** Stephen (treasurer), Gill

### AGM

- Report on work of the parent council over the past year as per copy circulated previously.
- Financial report – Outstanding
- Confirmation of parents who wish to stay as active PC members and a decision to increase capacity to 15 members, currently at 13.
- Vice chairperson post remains vacance and we would invite anyone who may be interested to come forward.
- Priorities for 2024 discussed

### Head Teacher Report

- The school is currently in a positive position with staff recently undergoing CPD review. Lots of positive discussions and plans surrounded this.
- Principal teacher post had formally been advertised and closed on 15<sup>th</sup> of October.
- Plans for a deputy head are ongoing and in discussion with workforce planning. There hopefully will be confirmation of this and formal advertisement by the end of the year. The GGC are hopefully going to advertise for a pool of supply teachers also to cover staffing gaps.
- A parent focus group took place to discuss the anti-bullying policy. This was a very productive meeting and hopefully the policy can be completed by the end of the year allowing works on the coms policy to start early 2024.
- Strike action is likely to continue with further strikes expected end of October/start of November.
- Upcoming dates for diaries: Failte Friday now will be 3<sup>rd</sup> of November, Halloween parade and class parties 31<sup>st</sup> October, Mapland 31<sup>st</sup> of October, Glendale Christmas panto 13<sup>th</sup> December.
- Discussion around bus chauffer is ongoing.
- Lots of sporting activities over the coming months including soccer, dance, badminton and bike ability.
- Music tuition is progressing well with Tin whistle and chanter now available, some choir to be attending the MOD, clarsach tuition may become available and accordion id hopefully to start soon.
- School visits and trip: The fir3e service have been to visit to discuss firework safety with class 6-7, class 7 are due to visit the city chamber, class 5 are going to take part in drama workshops and the class 1 open day id due to take place to show prospective parents around BGGD.

## **Fundraising**

- The annual Christmas fundraiser will change format this year and include a sponsored festive run and family movie afternoon with raffle, home baking and hot drinks for purchase.
- Christmas Disco
- Class tea towels will be available for purchase.

## **Priorities for 2024**

- It was discussed that pollution from St Andrews Drive continues to be a concern. There are monitors in situ and although within a safe range there are improvements still to be made. Increased plating along the fence is likely to be beneficial and Sarah will move forward with this alongside Ms Walker and class 6.

## **Action**

- Ongoing pollution work as discussed above.
- Review of financial position at next meeting.

## **Date of next meeting**

- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> of November