

St Angela's Parent Council

Minutes of Parent Council meeting on Wednesday 4th September 2024 at 7.10pm.

Present – See AGM minutes

Apologies – See AGM minutes

Minutes of the last meeting – All okay

Eabhna't thanks Teresa for her years of work taking minutes and welcomed Labhaoise to the job.

Head Teacher's Report

SIP – We have 3 main priorities over the next 3 years.

These are;

Teaching and learning,

Staff, Pupil and Family Wellbeing and

Inclusion and Engagement for all.

Families were consulted in June on our SIP and 96% of parents were in support of the plan.

PEF - £47,000 for the year. Spent on employing 2 additional SFL Workers; S Shah and Carey Anne Mcewan. In our family consultation 96% of parents were in support of continuing this support this year.

Staffing

We would like to welcome our new staff members including two probationary teachers, V Benson, A Carrick, S McAreavey and M Prociw.

Budget

PEF allocated for the year.

We are considering a Playground Draw refresh, supplemented by raffles and a fun run. This is to support school funds.

Family engagement

Timetable of family engagement published in newsletter by Mandy. Homework club started back tonight. Meet the teacher for P1 was last week, with P2 – 7 happening tomorrow.

Newsletter published with news, events and dates. Any feedback is much appreciated.

Treasure's Report

P7 Prom –

Money in - £1032.59

Costs - £707.94

Left - £324.65

= £50 for next prom

Easy Fundraising money - £50.12

Paul – Easy Fundraising is so simple.

Aqsa- Yes, we must let the parents know.

(Something about Asda)

GCC money - £400.00

SALTIRE – composting grant – 2 payments in

Used £200 to pay for stall at Saltire. Remaining is for composter.

Nursery- Raffle ticket sales at Saltire Event. Crowdfunder.

Yearly Calendar

PC Dates – It was decided to hold meetings every 6 weeks.

Wednesday 9th October, Wednesday 20th November, Wednesday 15th January, Wednesday 26th February, Wednesday 23rd April, Wednesday 21st May.

SALTIRE Celebration- 10th June 6-8pm, Let 5.30pm – 8.30pm

Halloween Disco – 30th October, P1-3 5.45 – 7pm, P4-7 7.15 – 8.30pm, Let 5 – 9pm

Christmas Fair – 30th November, 10am – 2pm, Let tbc

Spring Fling – 30th April, P1-3 5.45 – 7pm, P4-7 7.15 – 8.30pm, Let 5 – 9pm

Fund Run – 10th May (School Event)

Cultural Bazaar – 26th April, 12pm – 3pm, Let 11.30am – 3.30pm

P7 Leaver's Dance – 20th June,

6pm arrive

6.30pm slideshow

7 – 8.30pm event / disco

9pm end of let

All Sacramental Dates – TBC

Thanksgiving Mass (School Event) 23rd June

A request was made not to have confetti Balloons at the P7 Leaver's Dance due to clean up difficulties.

Committees

Fiona – We should make WhatsApp committees, so parents would not have to join main group.

Mr Kerlin – I would send a link out to group call.

Subgroups – P1 Playground

Events

SALTIRE / Health & Wellbeing

Road Safety (TBC)

Fiona is creating communications.

Health & Wellbeing

Paths -

Mr Kerlin – Mrs Robertson surveyed pupils about their feelings on pupil of the day. Despite the staff not being so keen, 97% of Children love it.

Positive comments from pupils were read to the group.

Fiona – The child had to choose who gave them their compliment.

Mr Kerlin – This is a comfort blanket for the children as they can choose their friend to give them the complement.

Fiona – I personally do not like it.

Mr Kerlin – Some pupils just don't want to be pupil of the day.

Eabhnaid – Yes, some pupils also don't want the complements.

Fiona – It would be better if the pupils had the option to pass on being pupil of the day.

Mr Kerlin - As a staff we are mindful of keeping this a positive experience for all children. We will continue to monitor.

Play Therapy

Fiona – I had heard of occasions where CAMHS referred children back to school for play therapy.

Mr Kerlin – This would be concerning if CAMHS were signing off children before they were ready. If our children need support we will do all we can to find the funds to support children who need it.

Mrs Isaac – We have £3000 allocated for counselling purposes.

Mr Kerlin- Schools can also use PEF money to bring in 3rd party counselling. Although our PEF funding is limited, if a child needs support we will always find a way.

Fiona - It's worrying that some children can wait for long periods of time on the CAMHS waiting list only to be discharged.

Mr Kerlin – Especially during this evident mental health crisis at the moment. Our school is based in an area that states our children rarely have problems therefore, the same support other areas might receive is not set up the same way here for our children.

Fiona – I am very passionate about this subject so please let me know if there's anything I can do to help.

Glasgow Time Community Champion Awards

Mr Kerlin will apply on our behalf to nominate SALTIRE for this award.

PVG Registration

Eabhnaid – I registered for PC last spring. They have training for Parent Councils which helps you to understand the process of PVG. It explains when you do and don't need it. Would you agree Fiona?

Fiona – Yes, I would agree.

Eabhnaid – People need it for every group you volunteer with. Being registered with one group only means they would be informed if anything were to happen to break your eligibility. You would not need it for school discos as no one should ever be alone with a child in that situation. The entire SALTIRE group has agreed to sign up for it. It is free for PC as we are a volunteer group. I will add this to the SALTIRE to do list and get our group registered.

SAPC

For the football at Nethercraigs they are looking for £20 per player for the year.

Mr Kerlin – I will send out the link to the football families for this. We can apply for Area Partnership bus funds for this too. I will send PC the completed forms to send off.

School Building

Mr Kerlin - The water tank has been repaired.

The temporary boiler is staying where it is for the foreseeable future. I have requested a nicer looking façade to cover it.

The walkway in the P1 playground is getting fixed.

Leaks in the small huts have been repaired.

People have been in numerous times to assess the leaks in the corridor but they have yet to find the source.

Thank you for the buttons you push regarding this, PC

Eabhnaid – Just ask if more pressure is needed from us about the small huts.

Last week the asbestos team took a tile to test. No asbestos residue therefore the asbestos is not a risk. There has been raised concerns about water from leaks going through the asbestos tiles.

Fiona – Do you need further help from the PC about these concerns.

Mr Kerlin – Not at the moment.

Eabhna – Thank you all for a very successful meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

The next PC meeting will take place on Wednesday 9th October at 6.30p.m.