

St Angela's Parent Council

Minutes of the St Angela's Parent Council meeting, Wednesday 23rd April 2025.

Fiona welcomed everyone.

Mr Kerlin opened with a prayer, with special intentions for the reposed soul of Pope Francis, thanking him for his kind and thoughtful leadership during his ministry.

Present – Aqsa Imran, Mo Dingle, Mishka, Eabhna Ní Laighin, Aidan Kerlin, Mandy Thompson, Fiona Rich and Thomas Morrison.

Apologies – Rachel, Paul, Jacqueline, Natasha, Nicola, Siobhán

Minutes of last meeting – Ratified by Eabhna & Fiona.

Head Teacher Report – Mr Kerlin

HT Newsletter to be published on Friday for April and May containing info on recent School events and upcoming events.

Staffing update

EAL Teacher Sidrah Hussain is off long term sick. Linsey Nicholas now covering EAL support and Robyn McCallum is covering P7/6. EAL support is vital to ensure equity in St Angela's and we have done this because we can ensure a consistent teacher for P7/6.

New staffing entitlement from previous 16.8FTE is now 17.8FTE. This is a positive addition to the previous projections. I will outline what this means for our classes next year in the School Improvement section.

Report Cards

Report cards will be published on the final week of term. Staff are currently working on them. Format is the same as before.

Building

Boiler being replaced in March. No issues at present. Temporary heating was in place, now no longer needed.

Summer Trip

Buses booked for our annual trip to Ayr beach for Thursday 5th March. Cost will be approx. Bus is £3240 for School and Nursery. Cost will be £7 a child and £10 a family. Further info will be in newsletter on Friday. Parent Pay is now live.

We're not sure if we'll be able to go to Ayr beach again next year because the children will have been three years in a row but we can only afford trips to free places.

Eabhna – You could alternate it with Calderglen Country Park

Discussion followed on Calerglen and the possibilities for play and P7 trip to the zoo.

Aidan – We can look into it for next year.

SAPC Update

SAPC football is ongoing on a Tuesday and Thursday. Thanks to recent donations from families.

Reminder to be sent to families for pitch hire donations, currently enough funds to pay for football until 15th May . Payment for football will be reviewed next school year.

RRS Accreditation

We have achieved gold status as a RRS. Further communication will be sent for a day of celebration. This is testament to the hard work of Mrs Shaw and the pupil group and thanks must go to them.

School Colour Fund Run

Taking place on 17th May. Fundraising sheets will be sent home before end of march. Aim is for families to raise £20 as entry on the day. Sainsbury's are donating fruit and juice. Our Active Schools Coordinator is supporting the event with help from St Paul's pupils.

P1 Transition

Mrs Isaac is currently leading P1 transition for next year. Programme has been sent to Confirmed families for next session.

After School Care

Danielle Campbell is expecting to communicate with families before end of term regarding new After school care. The Care Inspectorate need to assess the venue. The need for it is becoming more evident in the school. DASC is full and P1 parents have expressed concern over childcare.

Fuel Zone Menu

New menu now in operation. Families have been communicated.

Attendance

Information sent to families to allow them to check attendance, this is a vital process in order to improve children's attendance. This is a priority for Glasgow City Council and we need to account for children. If they are unaccounted for, they are marked TBC.

Missio

£259.33 raised by school community during period of lent.

Prizegiving Dates

Circulated in upcoming Newsletter for parents to attend.

Report cards

Being prepared at the moment and will be handed out the last Monday of term.

Treasurer's Report – Aqsa

Total amount in bank account £20,224.29

PC money £2296.10

Saltire money £17,297.30

Nursery fund £630.89

PARENT COUNCIL

Outgoing

February let and minutes

Incoming

11 Eid bazaar stalls

P7 prom ticket sales

UNICEF charity money came in and was sent back to school account, Jennifer said she will send it on to unicef. Prom tickets are also being paid via parentpay so both things together was causing confusion-Will speak to Jennifer about this and figure out what money is for what.

Iftar let was paid from account and then Natasha very kindly donated the full amount of it back into the pc account.

SALTIRE

Income

Wellbeing fund

Area partnership fund

Asda fund

Outgoings

Tools and gardening gloves, compost and pea seeds

Craft club-art supplies, picnic and payment to both organisers for round 2

Travel expenses for the person who did the seed saving workshop

Paid propagate for the soil workshop.

Prom payments are through Parent Pay this year, while previous years people paid by bank transfer, which made it easy to see who had paid without having to go through Jennifer..

Aidan – the proper way to do it is Parent Pay

Aqsa - Ok, that's fine.

Eabhnaí - Has Hamshya's invoice been raised by CCA yet?

Aqsa - no

Eabhnaí - I'll follow that up

Fiona - Sacramental gifts will need to be purchased. How many sacramental pupils do we have this year?

Aidan - 12 confirmation, 9 reconciliation, Communicants TBC

Fiona - what was budget before?

Aqsa - Emma ordered from CBC and it was £33 last year

Fiona - when do you need them for?

Aidan - 23rd June is the Sacramental Mass, good to have them for Friday 20th June ahead of the Mass.

Aqsa - Emma ordered wooden crosses, holy spirit crosses, communion crosses and Reconciliation sacramental book

Aidan - Lorna has confirmed there are 9 communicants so that's 32 in total

SALTIRE Report - Eabhnaí

Adult Workshops

Our first adult wellbeing session for term 4 was a group trip to Hamiltonhill Clay Pits Local Nature Reserve. One of their volunteers led us on a guided walk which was very enjoyable. Their project is on a much larger scale than SALTIRE but it was very interesting to hear about their journey and see the site for ourselves. If you've never been I would highly recommend a visit.

On 6th May we'll be working in the allotment, and all other sessions are pupil focused. We have begun planning for next year's adult wellbeing programme.

Family Climate Action Craft Club

We completed the 10-week climate action craft club. The sessions were a lovely opportunity to explore collective action through craft. Our second group produced a beautiful climate friendly directory for local families which will be shared shortly via school channels. Thanks to Fiona as ever for her magic touch in making it look so beautiful.

Pupil Work:

We had a wonderful day of planting and outdoor fun for our Go Green for St Patrick's Day event. Thanks to the Steering Group for spending the day planting peas with every pupils and to Ranger Rennie from D2D for running fun fire-based activities with classes. Thanks to our

volunteers for their time and enthusiasm. Thanks must go especially to Mrs Shaw who was instrumental in pulling the day together, creating timetables and for her super communication as ever. Fortnightly sessions continue with pupils and the steering group and Tuesday composting is proving very successful.

Composting

For British Science week we ran a family workshop exploring the microscopic life in healthy soil and compost. Funding also paid for a microscope so we can explore this with classes in the future.

Funding:

We have had wonderful funding success recently.

- ASDA Community Fund - £1000 to install a rainwater collection and storage system.
- Area Partnership £1700 to run a series of POC only workshops with the Steering Group girls next session. Workshops will be run by a paid facilitator and will explore what it means to be a girls of colour globally and in Glasgow and the connection between empowering girls and climate resilience.

Muddy Movers:

Reading notes from Rachel: “We kicked off this term by playing with bubbles! Sharing and taking it in turns to be the bubble blowers and the bubble catchers and imagining where the bubble would take us if we were floating inside. Next week we are heading to the allotment to finish the planting.”

Aidan – Congratulations on all your funding success

Eabhnat – Thank you.

Fiona – You have added the Celebration Event to the agenda.

Eabhnat – We still have time to discuss that at the next meeting.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT – Fiona

Classification & Reporting

Aidan - reporting has already been covered

Aidan – The previous allocation of staffing for next year was 16.8 FTE teaching staff. Since that meeting with HR, Douglas Hutchison, Head of Education, has recognised that some schools don't have nurture provision and has decided to give every school who currently don't have nurture support 1.0 additionality. This does not need to be used for nurture but as the school see fit.

The teaching staff allocation for next year is now 17.8 FTE.

The difficulty with staffing at the moment is allowing time for PTs to work on their remit outside the classroom. This additionality should keep us in the same position as last year, allowing PTs to work on extracurricular work.

Our school roll is dropping, tracked across the school. This session we have 14 classrooms. Next year it could be 13 or 14, depending on numbers in June &/ August. Plans A & B are already in place for both 13 and 14 classes. We will need to have composite classes, as we always do, and might possibly need to have a P2/1 class. Ahead of classification, information will be sent out to families. Composite class can get bad press but we trust our teachers to provide equal experience for all classes.

SIP – All parents/carers will be consulted on our School Improvement Plan in due course.

PEF - Our Pupil Equity Fund (PEF) funds will yet again be used for Support for Learning workers, allowing more adult time for pupils. An extra teacher is too expensive. Details of SIP and PEF will be communicated soon.

LEZ Fund

Eabhnat – We applied for this in the first round and though we were unsuccessful we were asked to tweak our application and resubmit for round 2. (to Aidan) When you asked for it to be added to the agenda were you highlighting a funding opportunity or did you have an idea in mind.

Aidan – I was sharing it for information as it is a big fund and the parent council could use it for significant work. I don't have anything specific in mind as I feel these funds should cover extra-curricular projects, out with school work.

Eabhnat – In our first application I made it mostly about the allotment and gave air pollution only secondary place. However, after the success of the Climate Craft Club, Sapna & I met to evaluate and think about next steps. We would love to run the project again next year and focus on reimagining Darnley for improved active travel, walking & cycling safely and priority, improved air quality and improved public transport. We have exciting ideas for a proposal and if the group agrees we would love to take this idea forward for the next application.

Aqsa – I'd support that. The craft club was lovely.

Aidan – That sounds good and when you look at the projects who were successful last round they predominantly centre around air pollution.

Eid Bazaar

Aqsa - 20 stalls booked so far and more interest coming in.

6 parent volunteers to run stalls

Stalls include henna tattoos, hair tinsel, game stalls, bouncy castle

Waiting on the invoice coming in for let. We haven't had confirmation yet.

Aidan – Richard said he's doing it

Aqsa – That's good. They're very slow to get back but that's good to know. Assembly hall is only room booked, no classrooms booked, people didn't go into the classrooms last year so the corridor is best. The bouncy castle booked.

Can we use gym equipment?

Aidan - Yes, take what you need just please leave it back as was.

Aqsa - Can we come in on Friday to set up?

Aidan – God's loving plan parent workshop is on at 2pm but 3pm is fine to come in.

Aqsa – 3pm is fine. Hopefully we will have volunteers to help.

Aidan – how many stalls did you have last year?

Aqsa – We had fewer last year, 14 stalls. We charged more last year so reduced fees this year is encouraging more. Planning is going well.

Aidan – Do you need anything from school?

Aqsa – We need someone to sit at door and take the £1

Aidan – We can do that.

Aqsa - Could we enter through P1 door?

Aidan – Yes.

Aqsa - We will need volunteers at each door. No entry through gym hall door, but it will be open because the hall will be hot with food preparation inside.

Aidan: How will you know who has paid?

Aqsa: They will have a stamp on their hand.

Aidan - What time did you book let for?

Aqsa - Access to school is 11.30 to 3.30 on the day to allow stall holders to set up

Aidan – Are you going outside

Aqsa – Yes, the bouncy caste and tables

Aidan - We can help with that.

Aqsa – Thank you.

Aidan – We're looking forward to it. Thanks for all your work.

Spring Fling

Aqsa – The let is in for the Spring Fling but not heard back yet.

Thomas – I can volunteer, and I'll give 400 glow sticks to sell.

Aqsa – We have some left over in the cupboard.

Thomas - It isn't many, I have 400 for them.

Fiona – Thank you. Will I buy a tattoo kit?

Aqsa – Yes, those things don't go off so can sit in cupboard until next needed.

Fiona – We have only one volunteer for yet.

Thomas – I'll help but we'll need more.

Mandy - What time is it?

Thomas - First disco: 5.45 – 7pm, Second Disco: 7.15 – 8.30pm, Let to 9pm

Fiona - I can help in advance but can't be there

Aidan: It needs sufficient numbers of parent/carers volunteers to run safely. It can't come down to staff. We will be there but staff can't be counted for numbers. I am happy to send out a communication to families saying volunteers are needed.

Fiona: P7 pupils haven't completed the survey to say if they can volunteer.

Mrs Thompson: I'll follow that up

Aidan: I'll send out an email that parent/carers volunteers needed, explaining that these events need adult support to run.

Fiona: P7s help but we need adult helpers

Aidan: How many volunteers are needed?

Thomas: 3 on the door at least and more inside in the hall.

Eabhna – The ratio is in the events document from a few years ago.

Fiona - What food is needed?

Aqsa - There's not much available in cupboard. We'll need to do an audit of what is in there.

Fiona - Food and volunteers will be needed for sacramental mass too.

Thomas - what do they get for the disco?

Aqsa - Just juice and crisps.

Thomas - Do we know numbers yet?

Aqsa - I'll speak to Jennifer tomorrow and ask.

Fiona - We'll send out a reminder for help.

Aidan - I can send an email with clear deadlines for buying tickets to allow for shopping.

Thomas - when will the deadline be?

Aidan - Tuesday afternoon?

Aqsa - Tuesday might be too late for buying snacks. Monday night would be best.

Aidan - I can put together a communication about this.

Mo: I can do shopping Tuesday night. Where do we usually go?

Aidan: I can get a card for Bookers in Paisley. I could go with you Tuesday night.

Thomas: Fruit shoots, water, crisps

Fiona: Thank you. P7s have the option to show what jobs they'd prefer. Once they complete that I can make a job list ahead of the night, when I know pupil and adult volunteers.

P7

Thomas: Who pays for the Leaver's Let?

Aqsa - P7 funds

Fiona - Can you also ask Jennifer how many P7s have paid. That might need a reminder. That will let us know what the budget is/

Aqsa - £380 has come in from ParentPay for both Spring Fling and P7. I will find out the break down between the two.

Fiona - 35 / 44 have submitted photos via email and WhatsApp so far.

Mandy – Do you want me to chase that up? If you let me know who you still has to submit I can contact parents specifically.

Fiona – Can you also let me know spelling on pupils names so I have that correct. Also, if you have any school and Blairvaddach photos that would be really good. Was it Siobhán who said she'd to the slideshow?

Thomas - Katie said she'd do it.

Fiona - I can show her photos on the slide etc and help. The ticket price vote is complete.

Reading Rachel's notes:

“Update on the votes from the main chat that we were asked to do at the last meeting:

Prom ticket price to stay the same as last year or increase - 6 votes for same price, 2 for increase.

We were also asked to approve all the Spring Fling details via the chat - cost, times etc and that was all done.”

Colour Dash:

Fiona - Do you need any help from PC?

Aidan - I'll have it organised but helpers closer to the time would be helpful. Promoting it would also be helpful. I saw a school cancelled because of rain, but we won't be doing that.

Support for Palestine

Fiona - Do we have an update?

Aqsa - Money is going to school Parent Pay account. Jennifer said she would send it to UNICEF.

Aidan - If it's not school funds it shouldn't be coming into school account.

Aqsa - I'll ask her to send it all to us.

Aidan - I'll clarify that too. Do we have an closing date?

Eabhnat – We said it would run until the end of term.

Aidan - The Missio collection is complete.

SALTIRE Celebration Raffle:

Eabhnat: Just to see if anyone has any ideas for an adult focused prize. It's a free family event so I like that the raffle is not appealing to pupils, therefore no pressure on parents to buy tickets. We've had good prizes in previous years.

Aqsa - Lisa Muirhead won the air fryer and donated it last year.

Eabhnat – And Thomas very generously donated the power tool the two years before that. If you share it on the chat we can keep an eye out for a good prize and discuss it at the next meeting.

Sacramental Celebrations: Leavers' Mass, Sacramental Mass

Aidan - Mass will be held in St Robert's church 23rd June

Fiona - Is there any help you need?

Aidan - No thanks.

Aidan – Also, just to know that Fr Hill is retiring. It would be nice to mark this.

Road Safety:

Fiona - (Reading notes from Rachel)

“I had a really good meeting with Roza Salih and she took notes on all of our concerns. She said she would get the flashing '20' speed limit sign on Glen Morriston Road fixed as soon as possible.

Work is being carried out to fix a faulty censor in the traffic light system on Nitshill road which has been affecting how the lights cycle.

Our concerns were passed on to the relevant department and the Group Manager of Traffic and Road safety would like to come out to discuss the issues on site. I'll get that meeting sorted and let everyone know when it will be in case others want to attend.

I'll keep you all updated.”

WhatsApp

Fiona: These have been shared with the group and will be ready tomorrow. Some of the language was about having rules. We can't have rules but guidelines because we're not enforcing or monitoring it.

Aidan: Thanks to Rachel for the work that went into that.

Fiona: The date of next meeting is 21st May.

Aidan: That will allow us time to set up for end of year events. Thanks everyone.

Meeting ended 7.55pm.



We look forward to welcoming all our new Primary One pupils and families to our school.

Induction Day 1 - Thursday 8th May - 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Induction Day 2 - Thursday 15th May - 1.30pm - 2.30pm

During these visits your child will have the opportunity to meet our staff, visit our P1 bases and make new friends.

Parents/ Carers will have information workshops to help prepare for your child starting school in August 2025.



Induction Day 3 - Friday 6th June - 1.15pm - 2.45pm



Parents/Carers and children will have a chance to Play together in our P1 bases and have a Teddy Bears Picnic in our Gardens.

Please take a note of these dates and if you are unable to attend on any of these dates or have any questions relating to your child starting school please contact the school office 0141 638 9646 or email Mrs Isaac

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Thank You - Mrs Isaac

