


Alves Primary Parents Council

MINUTES of MEETING

Held on Thursday 21st November 2019 from 7.00 – 8.40pm at Alves Primary School

ITEM	MATTERS DISCUSSED AND DECISIONS MADE	FOLLOW UP
1	<p><u>Welcome, Present & Apologies</u></p> <p><u>Present:</u> Chairperson: Nicola Manson (NM); Vice Chairperson: Nicole Petrie (NP) Secretary: Val Cooke (VC) Head Teacher - James McLeman (JMcL); Teacher Representative - Nicola Blair (NB) Parents/carers: Simon Nesbitt (SN); Maya Marsh (MM); Shakeel Ansari (SA);</p> <p><u>Apologies:</u> Christine Reid (CR); Gavin Morgan (GM); Ursula Pfahler (UP); Katie Long (KL);</p>	
2.	<u>No additions/changes to Agenda</u>	
3.	<p><u>ACTION POINTS CARRIED FORWARD FROM PREVIOUS MEETING 12 Sept 2019:</u></p> <p><u>i) Xmas Presents</u> – Following on from an email CR circulated to members, she will go ahead with purchasing the presents. JMcL is fine with the idea of APPC donating a gift to a charity i.e. CLAN – however due to time restraints this will be looked into for next year. This can be linked into rights i.e. No Poverty, Fairness to All.</p> <p><u>ii) Newsletter</u> – has been created which NM will email to members and then it will be circulated to all.</p> <p><u>Minutes</u> proposed by SN. Seconded – NM. A few members requested if the minutes could be sent as a pdf file.</p>	<p>CR</p> <p>NM</p> <p>VC</p>
4.	<p><u>HEAD TEACHERS REPORT:</u></p> <p>JMcL wanted to pass on his thanks to all those that had volunteered or offered their support/help to the school following on from the very sad news of the loss of Marion. She had been heavily involved with the school and children and her loss had had a huge impact to them. Marion’s family have very kindly donated the funeral collection to the school. It is hoped that with suggestion/input from both the family and school children an outdoor area can be created in which Marion will be fondly remembered.</p> <p><u>Staffing</u> – the vacancy for school cleaner has been given to Susie. Lunchtime Supervisor position has been advertised. PSA – has been covered by Mrs Watson and Mrs Davies. CR has been successful and been appointed PSA.</p> <p>Over the weeks there has been a lot to sort out and JMcL apologises if communication has not been up to standard.</p> <p><u>Alves Funky Theatre</u> – 2 performances will be shown on 19th Dec. We are all in for a treat again this year! Please help the children by practicing their lines at home.</p> <p><u>12th December is Polling Day</u> - the hall will be out of use therefore no hot lunches will be served, only packed lunches - which can either be supplied by the school or taken from home.</p> <p><u>13th December is Christmas Jumper & Christmas Lunch Day</u> – any jumper can be worn, and the children can decorate them if they wish.</p> <p><u>17th December – Christmas Party</u> – Christmas party outfits may be worn. </p> <p><u>Communication App</u> – the school was approached by a company that can offer an app for the cost of £200/per annum, which can be used to communicate to parents/carers. JMcL is happy if APPC want to go ahead but it would have to be funded by APPC. After an in-depth discussion it was felt that the methods we use to communicate to parents/careers are sufficient and another is not required. MM wondered if the school calendar on the school website could be kept up to date. JMcL will liase with Wendy.</p> <p>Parents can access school blogs through Twitter. MM will set herself up with an account so that she can then duplicate the information on to FB.</p>	<p>Parents</p> <p>JMcL</p> <p>MM</p>

11.	<p><u>WORLD BOOK DAY – 5th March 2020</u></p> <p>JMcL confirmed that the disco can go ahead on this day.</p>	
12.	<p><u>AOB</u></p> <p><u>Boat</u> - Volunteers are required to paint the boat. JMcL will find out & inform us of what will be the best product to use to preserve the wood. We will then FB to see if anyone can source it and organise a work party.</p> <p><u>Hedge planting</u> – SN will find out more details about a scheme to plant a hedgerow. Thought it would be something the children could get involved with and they would reap the produce once it had established itself in a few years.</p> <p><u>Dyke School Letter</u> - received, informing us of their idea to try and get the small local schools together so that the children can meet up & socialise to help develop friendships before moving onto High school. They are holding a disco for P4-7 on 23/11/19 6.30pm. MM will re-advertise on FB again. APPC will have a chat about the possibility of returning the invitation and inviting Dyke to an event.</p> <p>JMcL advised that over the last few years our P7's meet up with Dallas & Logie's and participate in activities to help them transition into High School. Logie school also goes on our P7 school trip. This will be the first year that Dyke has taken up our invitation.</p> <p><u>Changes to School Holiday Dates 2020 (as per JMcL)</u> Feb 6th, 7th & 10th are holidays May holiday has moved from 4th to the 8th (VE day) May in-service days 14th & 15th</p>	<p>JMcL Volunteers</p> <p>SN</p> <p>APPC</p>
13.	<p><u>Future Meetings</u></p> <p>APPC - Thurs 13th Feb 2020 at school. Fund raising – NM to email us.</p>	