

## **Newmill Parent Council Meeting**

27<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Attended by: Lisa, Amanda, Kim, Wendy, Cheryl, Kerry, Donna, Alison, Miss Smith.

Apologies: Stuart Minnis, Ashley Inglis, Beth Devonport.

### **Agenda**

- Pupil Presentations
- Banking
- Christmas Update – Ashley
- Newmill Parent Council and Moray Council PIE Strategy
- AOB

### **Pupil Presentations**

Representatives from each class attended to present to parents. Each presentation included a thank you for the books paid for by the parent council and currently being used in school to support learning activities.

Pupils evaluated their Christmas activities and proposed how they would be spending funds raised. On arrival parents had seen pupils in P123 enjoying the use of new outdoor equipment for “Fresh Air Friday”.

Pupils also thanked parents for attending Christmas service at the chapel, pupils enjoyed mixing with other schools and are keen to return.

### **Banking**

Balance on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – £5286.09

Paid in £68.50

Money to be banked for fundraising Ashley organised over Christmas.

Alison now has online internet access to PC account.

Books are being audited.

Donna to check confirmation of Tesco funding.

Hoodies have been ordered – Alison to transfer money or cheque to pay for these. Bucket filling books for new P1 will be ordered soon.

### **PIE Strategy**

Miss Smith shared the Moray Parental Involvement and Engagement Strategy (2022-2025) and the three defined areas of parental partnerships as being parental involvement, family learning and

parental engagement. Miss Smith shared printouts of her report which summarizes the steps Newmill Primary have taken during the 2022-2023 session within each of these areas. Discussions on next steps included setting a date for a curriculum and school policy parent council meeting and asking the wider parent body for suggestions on specific curricular areas for teacher led information sessions to support family learning most efficiently.

### **Christmas Update**

To be carried forward to next meeting.

### **AOB**

#### **Junior Jog**

A block organised by Active Schools to be held in school on Tuesdays this term. Parents present showed interest in running this in future terms on a different day of the week.

### **Wider Experiences**

Miss Smith asked for any suggestions for wider experiences that parents knew of. Pupils enjoy "Drumfun" paid for by the RagBag collections, opportunities to have wider experiences in school if parents had any suggestions of what is available. Parents present suggested Keith Martial Arts and Sharon Henderson Dance. Further request for suggestions to be asked for on FB group.

Next meeting date - TBC