

MONDAY 5th DECEMBER 2022 @ 6:30pm by TEAMs
GREENWOOD ACADEMY
PARENT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Present: K. Hegarty- Head Teacher, C. Kennedy- Treasurer, P. Soave, T. Blakely, A. Gordon, 1 other parent.

Apologies: A. Telfer (standing in for C. McKinlay-Secretary)

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<p>1. Welcome Mrs Hegarty, H.T. welcomed everyone and reminded those attending that she would be chairing the meeting as the Parent Council has no Chairperson at present.</p> <p>2. Minutes of last meeting –the last meeting on 7.11.22 had unfortunately had to be cancelled and the minutes from the previous meeting on Monday 3rd October were taken as read and approved.</p> <p>3. Treasurer’s report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Kennedy reported that the account had a balance of £1362.24 in November, this total does not include cheques recently banked. • Estimate of amount in bank account is £837.24 • The financial support of £350 given by the Parent Council towards the school show was very gratefully received by the school. • The Parent Council has also been successful applying for funding from Participatory Budgeting for the school Music Group. If the bid is successful then the group will receive £1000 in funding. • Ms Kennedy proposed that the parent Council donate £50 to each year group for the Greenwood Appeal. This was agreed and a cheque for £300 will be given to the school. <p>4. Agenda- Feedback was given on events in the school over the last few months.</p> <p>5. Head Teacher’s report School Show- Matilda. Mrs Hegarty thanked the pupils and staff for all their hard work on the very successful school show. This had been the first school show in many years and although there were some difficulties to overcome the show was an amazing event and all involved worked together to produce the excellent performances.</p> <p>6. School Review 12th and 13th October 2022- The review team included Andrew McClelland, Kevin Herron, John Doherty, Gail Nowek and Sharon McDowall who focused on Quality Indicators 2.3, 3.1, 2.4 and 1.3 from How Good Is Our School.</p> <p>7. School Improvement Plan Mrs Hegarty shared the Improvement Plan at the two day review to highlight the school’s improvement priorities which are based on self evaluation and feedback from all stakeholders. The five priorities that the school will be working on are;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving attainment for all including literacy and numeracy 	<p>C.K.</p>

- Closing the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged children and young people
- Improvement in skills and sustained, positive school leaver destinations for all young people
- Improvement in young people's health and wellbeing
- Placing the human rights and needs of every child and young person at the centre of education

During the two day visit the school's results, including literacy and numeracy were reviewed and Mrs Hegarty shared this via a Power Point presentation (attached).

Impact of Covid 19 on the school and Promoting Positive Behaviour Policy

A discussion was had around the impact of Covid 19 on pupils and staff and how best the school could support pupils.

Mrs Hegarty explained the school's Promoting Positive Relationships Policy.

Secondary Support Resource

Mrs Hegarty shared the various ways in which the school is working to support pupils to remain in mainstream education including the Secondary Support Resources including the Learning Loft which supports pupils with other additional support needs and the Secondary Transition Resource which supports pupils from S1-S3 who have social, emotional and behavioural needs. Both resources are have qualified teaching staff and classroom assistants. Alison Duncan, Youth Worker provides continuing input to and support to pupils within the school.

Inclusion Team

The wide range of staff and additional partnerships working within the school were discussed who include mentors in Violence Protection, Barnardos, Active Schools, Children 1st, Hunter Jones Animal Assisted Therapy and Learning and the Family Learning Team.

LGBT Charter Awards

Mrs Hegarty advised that the school had achieved the LGBT Bronze Charter and were now working towards the silver charter award.

School Values and Vision

A discussion took place around the review of the school's values. A letter will go out to parents to seek feedback on what parent's think the school's values will be. Input from staff and pupils will also be taken and pupils will have a chance to give their opinions via PSE classes. The Leadership class will be involved in gathering this information.

Discussion was also had around the school's vision- What is our core purpose in coming to work and school and how does our school's values dictate our behaviours as we go about realising our school vision?

Prelim Exams

S4 prelims started today with some exams taking place in the games hall and others in school classrooms. Exams due to be sat on Wednesday have been rearranged due to Industrial action by teachers on that day.	
Any Other Business None noted.	
Date of Next Meeting – Monday 20 th February 2023 on Teams.	