

Whitehirst Park Primary School
 Parent Council Meeting
 MINUTES
 4th March 2026 – 7.30pm
 Microsoft Teams

Attendees;

Nicola Hainan – Chair/Parent
 Collette Tedford – Vice-Chair/Parent
 Cheryl Falconer – Treasurer/Parent
 Nicola Brown – Fundraising Lead/Parent
 Mrs Robertson - Head Teacher
 Miss Johnstone – Depute Head Teacher
 Carrie Anne Stewart – Fundraising Support/Parent
 Stuart and Jemma Ferguson - Parent

Agenda Item	Discussion Summary	If applicable, Action taken by
Agreement of Previous Minutes	Previous minutes published	
Headteacher Update	<p>Staffing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Significant staffing challenges this term</i> • <i>Temp PT Recruitment process started</i> • <i>Miss MacNeil will assume DHT 0.2 when Mr Anderson leaves</i> • <i>20.5hr PSST completed – Nicola Daniels successful – started this week</i> • <i>6 hr Healthy Start Worker for Breakfast Club in progress</i> <p>Events/Achievements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>P7 Transition – well under way</i> • <i>Provisional Class Structure has been completed. Staffing allowance for next session to be confirmed</i> 	

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- *Cross Country team P5 Girls and P6 Boys second overall and 1st = overall for P6 Girls*
- *P6 and P7 Football undefeated – boys and girls*
- *Trio Schools Visit 3/2/26 – went very well, validated our self assessment and identified next steps*
- *Sam Anson Executive Director (Education) visiting on 1.3.26*

Despite challenges of PVG we are managing to support outings:

- *P1 P1/2 Burns 25/2/26 - postponed*
- *P7 GE Caledonian – 9th and 19th March*
- *Scottish Afternoon – 26/2/26*
- *Burns Judging 18/2/26 – Burns Club have now started a Gaelic Category*
- *Digital Week – 11/2/26 – Classes had a ball with digital leaders using new equipment*
- *Road Safety Show 3/3/26*
- *World Book Day 5/3/26 – Book swap and activities in class*
- *World of Work Week – 9/3/26 – lots of parent volunteers*
- *Panto booked for P3-7 next year – should manage with some parents PVG*
- *Look to book Harbour Arts for P1 and P2*

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SIP Update:

- *Deep Learning – Working as a cluster on this approach to IDL. Developing resources, planning and assessments. Mr Hughes to take lead on this now. Next session part of SSERC Inspiring a Sustainable Approach to STEM Schools Education Research Centre (SSERC)*
- *Numeracy – Integrating NA Numeracy Framework. Looking at assessments now.*
- *HWB – Continuing work on Positive Relationships and Behaviour and HWB planning – reviewed pilot with staff and pupils. Next step to roll out to parents when policy completed.*

Extra Curricular:

- *Magic the Gathering*
- *Chess*
- *Netball P5-7*
- *Football P6/7*
- *Girls Football*
- *Football P2*
- *Athletics P5-7*
- *Playground Games – P1 and P1/2*
- *Playground Games – P3*
- *Badminton P6/7*

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Fundraising Lead Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valentines Disco Raised £293 • Spring Disco is a suggestion for next year rather than Valentines Disco • Summer Fayre Poster is being made up. • Poster will go up onto Facebook etc when ready • Time agreed for Let. 	
Treasurer Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank Account for Parent Council - £3381 (All Accounts) • Valentines Disco Money Added • Money to spent on Staff and Kids Wishlist • Money towards Individual trips rather than whole school this year. 	
Wish List Items/Ideas (Some suggestions)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>North Ayrshire run a community partner initiative where they engage local businesses to support community development. Again...out of the box ideas for how we could tap into this resource.</i> • <i>Painting shared spaces?</i> • <i>Bins for playground, sponsor a bin?</i> • <i>Cooking/baking resources? Something to engage kids in learning about healthy eating and opportunities to teach in class. Perhaps some chefs/catering companies deliver in class/school</i> • <i>P.E equipment. Meta skills activities that up level meta skills.</i> • <i>Art supplies, Lego, Kapla, outdoor equipment</i> • <i>More technology based resources such as Kapla and K'Nex. Range of board games to develop L&T skills.</i> • <i>As per requested by our ECO group: Seeds, extra piece of Astro for the goals, recycling bins that the birds can't get into (possibly 2 sections for general and plastic), sand,</i> 	

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	<i>barrels for the garden as ours are worn. Please and thank you!</i>	
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggested again if we do Bulk order for Uniform again - was successful last year. • Ikea Storage - Query - Storage for Uniforms etc to keep tidy. Looking into pricing and measurements. • Money Agreed towards Lego etc £2000 	
Date of Next Meeting	Wednesday 22 nd April 2026 @ 7.30pm (Microsoft Teams)	NH