



Kildrum Primary School
Parent Council
Minutes
1st February 2016



Present:

PC Representatives

Robert Aird, Carrie-Ann Hudghton, Karen Brown, Sharon Smith, Lynsey Ross, Donna O'Neill and Richard Neil

School Representatives

Kate Watt & Ann Davis

Apologies:

Claire Johnston, Nicola Fisher, Karen McBride

1. Review of previous minutes

All action from previous minutes discussed and no actions remaining.

2. School Update

- Busy start to 2016.
- 3 Trips conducted to Celtic Connections – Well received.
- Fantastic 3rd place achieved at NL Euro Quiz (P6's)
- School hosted a Scottish Day with Poem Competition – Great participation from pupils.

School reported fantastic response by parents to the issue of the attendance procedures and that a significant improvement had been noted in parents calling school to advise / discuss pupil's absence. This frees up more resource to support core activity within the school.

3. Focus Topic: Crisis Management

- Discussed risks that school has identified.
- Extensive policies & procedures in place with various elements tested / audited including Fire & Security
- Emergency Services & Government cover most incident controls.
- Discussed how parents should be prepared for critical incidents in terms of communications & behaviours.
- Action – Parents Critical Incident Guidance booklet to be prepared & issued to provide parents with an understanding / appreciation of some responses or actions in the event of an incident.

4. Fundraising

a) Signed Scotland Top

- Top kindly framed free of charge by local framing business – Thank Bob Aird for arranging
- Framed Top and potentially other “Big Prize” to be raffled W/C 07/03/2016
- Tickets to be sold via pupils during week
- Tickets to be sold at Parents Night on 10/03/2016
- Sharon Smith to arrange raffle tickets
- Ricky Neil to prepare advert including communication on Parents Council and how to get involved.

b) Fundraising Initiative

- School identified outdoor equipment for fundraising “Wish List”
- Interactive Equipment & Outdoor Class Room at top of list.
- Parents Council to investigate grants – Active Schools, Cash for Kids, NLC
- Karen Brown to contact Tesco contacts for potential support.
- Discussed approaching other local businesses for support.
- Discussed reaching out to parents in the hope that we can engage with employers for funding
- Other potential ideas – ASDA Bag Pack, Baking Fair, Sponsored Assault Course etc.

5. Communications

Discussed activity on Parent Council Facebook page -

- Currently 75 people signed up to page.
- Where possible people are screened to ensure that they have an affiliation with Kildrum Primary. This is not 100% guarantee that everyone has legitimate affiliation with school and activity.
- Attaching to other Scottish Parent Councils to benchmark activity & communication.
- Feedback & interaction is low but will hopefully pick up over time.
- Encourage all Parent Council members and Parents to sign up.
- Content from school twitter feed are copied onto page.
- Email account active – KildrumPPC@hotmail.com

6. Any Other Business

- a) Update on P4 staffing in light of long term absence. Disruption to staffing and effect on pupils briefly discussed and school aware of concerns.
- b) Uniforms (Prices and Suppliers) & Car Parking to be discussed at next meeting

Next Meeting Planned – Monday 21st March 2016 at 6pm