

Calderhead High School

Parent Council Meeting

Thursday 4th May 2017

In Attendance:-

Claire Whyte

Susan Duncanson,

Elaine Byrne

Alison Barr

Maxine Paterson

John Robertson

Nana McLean

Jennifer Hayburn

Apologies:-

Corrina Campbell, Gordon Muir, Pauline Marks, Fiona Forrest

Linsey was briefly in attendance but had to leave for another appointment

Correspondence

Linsey received some correspondence from Maureen Moore regarding the current membership of the Parent Council. Gordon received this as for some reason they had Gordon as the Chair instead of Linsey. Also surprised to see that an error which Claire had

previously pointed out to Maureen was still incorrect. Claire will collect updated info and revert to Maureen - we agreed to remove Karen Arnott from the list of members as she no longer attends meetings

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Sports Survey

S5&6 pupils have completed the survey, S1, 2, 3 are doing it during their ICT class. So far 124 responses, majority say lunch is too short to participate in a sports club. Majority also saying they do not have enough time after school to join a sports club.

Primary Transition

This has gone very smoothly so far. Cluster P7 pupils are currently at Kilbowie enjoying a residential stay. Two visit Tuesday 9th May and Wednesday 10th May. Next session 17/18 we are expecting 78 S1 pupils. This will mean three Non Practical classes of 26 and two practical classes of 19 and two of 20.

Adjustments in classes new S2 and new S3 17/18

In the new S2 we expect to have 65 pupils, three non- practical classes of 22, four practical classes

In S3 we expect 92 pupils, 4 classes in Maths, English, PHSE, RMPS, PE(Core)

Staying on rate 75%						
year group	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21	21-22	22-23
S1	78	94	89	97	107	77
S2	65	78	94	89	97	107
S3	92	65	78	94	89	97
S4	57	92	65	78	94	89
S5	51	43	69	49	59	71
S6	35	38	32	52	37	44
Roll	378	410	427	459	482	484

New Timetable

The New Timetable will start on Monday 5th June for all year groups. Current S5 and S6 pupils are expected to return on Friday 2nd June.

Fond farewell

Study leave has started for senior students and we said a fond farewell to our S6 and other senior pupils. The “leavers” enjoyed assemblies with the Headteacher and DHT and were treated to a lunchtime buffet with staff.

Cake competitions

Bells Food Group have been in to judge recently to judge two cake competitions. We are in discussion with them about other ways that they can support the school.

Outward Bound Leadership weekend

We are offering a heavily discounted leadership weekend in October to the new S5 and S6 pupils. The cost is now only £50. We have 24 places booked and are actively recruiting participants. Pupils would leave on the morning of Friday 27th October returning on the evening of Sunday 29th October.

Police Incident

We alerted the Police to a potential assault of a pupils on the way to school last Wednesday (26/4/17). The Police interviewed the pupil in the company of supportive members of staff and have made an appeal for witnesses. The pupil has been well supported by staff.

Pupil Equity Fund

The authority have confirmed that all of the £48000 allocated to myself as Headteacher by the Scottish Government will be passed on. This may influence our allocation of our one classroom assistant. We intend to appoint two acting Raising Attainment Principal Teachers and a Developing the Young Workforce 0.2FTE member of staff. We have consulted with Principal Teachers on how we should spend the money and we intend to consult with pupils via the Pupil Council.

Staffing

We will be staffed at 34.3FTE for session 17/18. Jillian Hamilton-Cooper will be joining us as a permanent member of the Biology Department. Grace Prucnal will now be a permanent member of the music department. We have requested 0.4FTE for Modern Languages and 0.8FTE for English. Roy Burgess and Freda Weall have again retired from teaching science, we are very grateful for the professionalism and the contribution they have made this session.

We currently have a vacancy for 10.5 hours for an ASN assistant.

Easter School

We had another very successful Easter School. Staff were impressed by the numbers that turned up and also the purposeful attitude that the pupils showed. We have also had successful masterclasses this week in Maths and Music ahead of their SQA exams.

SQA exams

These have started smoothly with Mr Roy Burgess as Chief Invigilator.

Kiera's Korner

Kiera Beagle passed away on Thursday 26th, May 2016. We intend to have an official opening of Kiera's Korner on Thursday 25th May. The theme will be how we have changed since that day, as a Headteacher, a member of staff, Senior Pupil, new S1 pupil.

Self Evaluation Exercise

Once again it was agreed to postpone this until the next meeting when there are more members present. John has already given his apologies for the next meeting but will provide his report in advance. Claire will also provide a written Secretary's report - this will allow the AGM matters to be handled quickly allowing our focus to be on this exercise - hopefully a starting point for next year.

Date of next meeting: AGM Thursday 1st June 2017 @ 6pm