

Kirkshaws Primary School & Nursery Parent Council
Minutes of Meeting
25th April 7pm

In Attendance:

Cheryl Grant, Chairperson (minutes)
Fiona Colin, Secretary
Emma Kier Treasurer
Victoria McMillan
Julie Law
Alison Nicolson, Head Teacher
Colin Sharp, Principal Teacher

Apologies: Lynn Muirhed Vice Chairperson,

Meeting time start: 7.00pm

Introductions were made and thanks given to everyone for attending.

Apologies from Lynn, and on account of Mhairi who was missed from invitations list- Cheryl to advice Mhairi on updates.

The minutes of the previous meeting were not shared in time for all to assess, but those that had agreed they were complete and no amendments required.

Head teacher update.

Will continue in the format presented to be shared before meeting and only additional questions to be covered.

Questions raised:

Trips returning for classes?

Yes with priority being to classes who have yet to have a trip following the variations in restrictions over the last several months. Looking at pantomime/Christmas trips as these planned well in advance.

School placements.

If you are within the catchment area no confirmation is sent out for placement requests confirmations are sent out centrally and not via the school directly.

Proposed parents night 19th May to be confirmed in the coming days. Due to easing of restrictions this can now be in person with Parent Council able to attend and engage with parents.

Induction/ transition of P1 and nursery can again be in person and again Parent council will be notified of dates so representation can be made at these times.

Treasurer updates.

Laura, Cheryl and Emma to meet for handover. Current balance is over the £300 mark (exact amount to be confirmed at handover with the Bank)

P7 hoodie.

Letters and order forms issued to parents along with football card should they wish to fundraise towards their own child's jumper. Cheryl is working with the school to coordinate collection of orders and processing. Once order is placed, lead time will be confirmed delivery dates.

Fund Raising:

Feedback from questionnaire shared by Colin:

Continuation of events such as coffee morning, Christmas markets and similar events encouraged. A view for a variation of events with remote/online events.

Discussion around next events: Hampers raffles. – classes to donate items to create 3 hampers that can be raffled off at the parents night (19th May) with items being donated week of the 9th - 12th May. (themes for hampers being discussed within Parent Council team over the remainder of this week)

Other suggestions: after school arts with a view to Christmas market style stalls, bingo nights, school disco event (Due to let costs EK suggested seeking alternative venues) Coffee morning/afternoons with class participation. EK is going to speak to a friend regarding managing a bonus ball.

Looking to create a spread of events across the coming year with some being bigger income, and some being a trickle feed into funds.

CS spoke about health week with a view to engaging families in activity such as “fun 1K” sponsored walk – focus on health.

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Nothing else raised.

Focus in the short term to encourage engagement in person at Parent evening and induction/ transition events.

Date of Next meeting

next meeting will be Monday 23rd May 7pm (most likely web ex)

The meeting in May will be held as an AGM in line with the constitution requirements

Meeting closed 8.00pm

