

## NEWMAINS PRIMARY SCHOOL - PARENT COUNCIL

Minute of Meeting: 4.10.23

Persons Present: S. Smith, M. Hamilton, M. Brown, L. Lindsay, M. McLaren, J. Lyon,  
K. Mahoney, B. Mahoney, S. Bryson, L. McMaster, B. Megahy, G. Weir,  
L. Nelson, S. Wheeler, M. Dempster

Apologies: L. Conner, A. Devine, C. Stevenson

Mr Smith introduced June as she is the longest serving member of the Parent Council at the moment. A Chairperson, Co., Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer needed to be elected. It was proposed by Shona that June should be Chairperson, and this was seconded by Kim.

Manyla then proposed Louise as Co-Chairperson and this was seconded by Shona.

Kim took the position as Secretary and Manyla the position as Treasurer. These were both proposed by June and seconded by Shona.

After Scott's update the Parent Council then went on to talk about a Tombola and Bookstall to be held on Parents night. It was decided that the area with the yellow seats was too small for this venture, and it was left with the school to sort out an area for this to take place. At the Parents evening there may be someone there to ask the people of Newmains what they want from the Community Hub.

Mr Smith also spoke of pantomimes which had been organised in the school, Beauty and the Beast and 500 Miles. He advised the parents that transport was too costly to be taking the children out of school. Various dates in December have been confirmed and these will be going out to parents soon. On 10<sup>th</sup> October the children will be asked to wear yellow to school as it is Mental Health Day.

Mr Smith informed the Parent Council that there had been a bit of vandalism at the side of the pitch and that Paul had reported this and was hoping that the Police would come along and speak to the children.

The Parent Council Disco will take place on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023. There will be tickets available at a cost of £2.00. This will include a packet of sweets, water, crisps and a Glow Stick. All welcome to come along and help out at this event. Ava Grace will be designing posters for the Disco.

With regard to the Christmas Fayre this has been paused at the moment as a Christmas Fayre may be hosted by the Community Hub with St Brigids and Newmains Primaries taking part in various events. A lot of suggestions were put forward for the Christmas Fayre such as Santa with his Elf, Colouring Sheets and Badge Making, Vendors for Tables, Raffles and a Donation Bucket.

The Primary 7 residential trip was discussed but the survey had shown slightly less than 2/3 of parents being interested in this venture. Marnie said she would have a word to parents about this.

It was also felt that as a Parent Council we should be doing something for our children i.e. buying the Primary 7 hoodies. This can be discussed again at a later date.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.47pm and the next meeting arranged for Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023 at 6.30pm.