GENERAL PC POINTS

Communication

It was raised by the PC that there had been a decline in the level of communication to parents. Mr Young agreed that it could be better, and that communication would be improved going forward. Discussion was held regarding the school app that was previously used for parent updates.

Seesaw

The school are in the process of setting up a focus group to discuss Seesaw. They are considering whether or not there is still a place for this platform within the school. It is very expensive, and the school have identified issues with the current software updates. It was noted that at the recent parents evening many parents/ guardians had voiced their concerns regarding Seesaw and would welcome the return of jotters and workbooks.

Mass

The PC received an email to ask why the school was not attending First Friday Mass. Staff explained that this has never been attended by the school. However, there are 8 school Masses across the year and that parents are always welcome to attend. This will be communicated to the wider school community in due course. There was also an email received asking why all school pupils did not get the opportunity to recently attend the Relics of St Bernadettes at Carfin Grotto. Staff explained that they were only asked for representatives from the school to be in attendance and that all surrounding Catholic schools were doing the same.

HEADTEACHERS UPDATE

Attainment

My Young distributed a handout showing the projected attainment for 2023. He discussed that attainment is monitored at every stage, but more specifically at P1, P4 and P7. He explained that both assessment and professional judgement are used to measure attainment and identify gaps in learning. The data is measured against parameters and targets set by the local authority. The A Team was acknowledged for their hard work which has significantly improvement attainment.

Smart School Council

The Smart School Council was explained to the PC. This is a student-led council that is managed by the House Captains and ensures that every child in the school has a voice and is heard. The current project is a bake-off and this is being scheduled to take place in the coming weeks. Staff are encouraging the student council to get more involved in L&T within the school.

Staffroom

Clydeview and Firpark staff have been given permission to use the old Cathedral library as their staffroom.

Meeting Rooms

The school are utilising the old cloakrooms to provide space for the Smart Council meetings.

Reading Group

The school would like the PC to promote the Reading for Enjoyment scheme, to date only one parent has shown an interest. Any parent interested would be gladly welcomed and should contact Mrs Campbell.