

OLHS Parent Council Meeting

Monday 02 09 24

Louisa McGraw (HT)	Ian Munro (Chair)	Angela Hodos (Clerk)	Fr Morris (School Chaplain)	Marcia Comerford	Anne Munro	Jacqueline Angell	Mary Frances Verrecchia	James Cook
Mark McKeever	Kathleen Cosgrove	Vanda McAveny	Stephen Verrecchia					

Item	Discussion	Action
1. Welcome	Prayer	N/A
2. Apologies	Rani Ron, James Donnachie, Linda McInnes, Donna Matthewman	N/A
3. Previous minutes & actions	<p>Previous minutes:</p> <p>Potential dates for fundraising events (TBD later)</p> <p>Ask a staff member to replace Catherine Anne McGuire.</p>	Approved and accepted.
4. Head Teacher's report (see attached)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Staffing news: 5 Probationers appointed. 2 Vacancies (Spanish/ Spanish-French) (both vacancies currently being covered by 3 supply teachers, all retired). 2. S.I.P. New cluster model for additional staffing: Numeracy/ Literacy/ Learning Support. 3. Intensive Support Team: Gives these children opportunity for certification: not funded by L.A., all monies coming from school budget. 4. Building improvements/ Change: 20 laptops into L. Support base. purchased with LA providing 20 more. Possibly need staff member for scribing etc but pupils must be proficient in using them before exam menu begins. 5. Learning and Teaching: Staff's use of questions to be the focus for development. 6. Attainment/ Achievement: 7. Activities to support curriculum: 8. Transition Programme: 9. Liturgical events: Current role of 853 pupils prevents whole school mass. 06 09 24 Patron's Day mass open to S1/5/6. 	<p>2 clerical vacancies advertised as Anne reduces to 2 days (Thurs & Fri) and Liz relocates 20 09 24.</p> <p>Only specific year groups invited or 2 masses taking place.</p>
5. Finance report	Current balance: £2,869:82	
6. Fundraising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quiz Night organised for Friday 04 10 24 7pm in St Bride's Hall. Tickets £5, maximum 8 at table, open to S5/6. 	<p>Donations for raffles and bingo to be handed into school office.</p> <p>School to provide tickets (Anne M to email to clerical staff).</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 200 Club: to be linked to Microsoft forms which is direct to bank account plus name & number of applicants. 3 Draws (to tie-in with school terms), £10 per term and to be drawn at Christmas Fayre (Wed 27 11 24), before Easter break and summer break, applicants to re-join every term, 'office' to generate numbers, pupils to draw winning numbers. • Easy Fundraising: Previous administrator of this for the PC was Carol Davies, who is no longer associated with the PC. Mary Frances Verrechia (Treasurer) will be the new administrator with immediate effect. • Bank account: It was confirmed that the historical bank signatories' details should be removed to confirm Mary Frances Verrechia (Treasurer) is authorised. 	<p>200 Club to be advertised in Newsletter from September, plus a separate email. Stephen V to organise components of it all.</p> <p>Mary Frances V to send details to HT which is to be promoted in weekly newsletters and also to staff.</p> <p>Legacy signatures to be removed (A Tyrell)</p>
7. School Anniversary Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No parents have replied to email re forming a committee. • Diary Bishop Toal for mass (to coincide with Patron Saint's Day 2025) (Thursday evening?) • Currently have many artefacts gathered by clerical Anne. • Pictures etc will need to be displayed (time to be set aside). 	Form sub-group: Anne M, MFV, Kathleen C, Fr Morris to meet Tues & Fri through the day or after school, plus interested staff.
8. AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheque given to school to fund their retreat was cashed before summer (accounts have been checked) to look at NET ministries from USA, Canada (evangelising) aimed at S2. • School app is now obsolete. • Wellspring project: All S6 pupils involved in Caritas. 'Alpha Youth' programme looks promising. • You musical group? 	<p>Parents has already donated anonymously re funding this.</p> <p>Correspondence now by Newsletter only, moving onto Parent Portal (relaunch) for parents' meeting booking system).</p> <p>HT to invite all parish priests into school to meet re Caritas.</p> <p>Angela H to give 'Alpha' info to Anne M who will meet with Fr Morris following Wed morning mass in school.</p>
9.Next meeting	AGM: 11 11 24 6:30pm PC : 11 11 24 7pm	