Parent Council Minutes

Meeting – Monday 22nd January 2018

Head Teacher – Mrs Paula Brazill **Parent Council Clerk** – Mrs Michele Fenton

Chairperson – Vacant Post

Vice Chair – Mrs Ivelina McAtee

Treasurer – Mrs Katrina Semple

Secretary – Vacant Post

Councillor – Ms Gillian Fannan and Mr Allan Graham

Parent Member – Claire Cooley, Tracy Bulpitt, Tammy Baillie, Louise White

Apologies -Principal Teacher - Mrs Anne Yuill
Teacher Representative - Mrs Kirsty Craig
Parish Rep - Sacred Heart - Mrs Karen Brown
Councillor - William Goldie,

Apologies read out.

Ivelina discussed the vacant posts, Louise White was voted back in as Chairperson, everyone in attendance agreed that there was no need for a Vice Chair or Secretary. All parent members happy to take on board and help out in any way they can.

Katrina remains on as Treasurer until May when Claire Cooley will take over the roll.

Some discussion was made about the budget proposals, parent council members advised to look over and get in touch as a parent council body with any questions or suggestions.

Louise asked about gaining access to the school Facebook page, Paula agreed that the school would post on the behalf of the parent council as we have parents who use the page to private message the school with questions and information. NLC are wanting all schools to use Twitter and this will be looked into.

Paula talked about setting up the Learning Journals in school, which are already up and running in the nursery. This will be for pupils learning, parents can leave comments on posts but can't message staff.

Calendar of Events has some changes made, Information Evening will be changed, date and time to follow. February inset day staff will be focusing on the school improvement plan. Our outdoor learning is almost complete, still awaiting on some of the order to be delivered. School looking for a donation from the Parent Council to help with this. School will also arrange some fundraising to help boost school funds.

P4-7 Literacy Materials, Infants – Staff working on SEAL Training.

100 years of Catholic Education – Activities to be arranged

50 years of St Mary's and OLHS this year. – Events around Icon and school birthday. School Budget – All PEF Money has been spent.

Cooking Kitchen has been a great success and is being used by all classes and nursery. Miss Martin class looking at growing vegetables, Love Food Hate Waste – linked up with Spanish School. Make Move Munch Afterschool has been organised and school will pay a cost. Morrison's Constructions has organised some pupils to take part in activities and site visits have been arranged.

P5 and P6 are signed up to a Connex Challenge with the cluster primaries. VSE Inspection – Authority visit to the school and nursery will take place on the 6th and 7th March. They will require a group of parents to come along and talk to them.

Treasurers report - £1222.52 in Bank Account Grant Application ongoing - £660 Pending.

A discussion was made regarding the re zoning of parts of Cumbernauld. Allan Graham and Gillian Fannan will put forward our capacity numbers to the authority. Gillian mentioned about local partnerships that fund outdoor projects. School will look into converting our playing field into Allotments. Paula attending an event and will contact Tracey at Living Landscapes who may be able to help us with this.

Gillian will look into who owns the land around the school – Woodland Area.

Ivelina thanked everyone in attendance, the next meeting will take place on Thursday 19th April from 6.30pm.

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