

St Brendan's Parent Council

Minutes of meeting held on zoom on 16th June 2020

Present

Mrs Oates	(Head Teacher)
Mrs Keating	(Chairperson)
Mrs Matthewman	(Vice Chairperson)
Mrs Cosgrove	(Secretary)
Mrs Whitton	(Treasury)
Mrs Hewitt	(Parent Representative)
Mrs Henderson	(Parent Representative)
Anne Cassidy	(Clerk)

Apologies

Fr Owen Ness	(Guest)
Mrs Kellas	(Parent Representative)
Mrs Dornan	(Parent Representative)
Kenneth Duffy	(Labour Councillor for Ward 19)
Nathan Wilson	(Conservative Councillor for Ward 19)

Previous minutes were confirmed.

HT Report

Mrs Oates gave a breakdown on staffing and confirmed that she will have 1 probationer next year.

The nursery was discussed with Mrs Oates confirming that we have capacity for 32 nursery children and have 26 returning for preschool. These children will be in 3 days 1 week and 2 the next.

Mrs Oates gave an insight on how the week will look coming back in August with pods of 12 for 2 full days with online learning the rest of the working week. There is no need for staggered starts however there will be staggered breaks and lunches. The days children will be in school has still to be finalised.

The current online engagement was discussed and Mrs Oates shared we had 70/80% engagement. There has been great feedback on interaction between teachers and pupils.

Uniform was discussed at length and it was agreed that school ties shouldn't be worn and Mrs Oates will look into whether the children should bring a school bag.

The washing of hands system was discussed.

Mrs Oates shared that they have organised a P7 leavers drive through graduation in groups of 8 where they can be in cars and come out individually and be presented with their leaver's ties. The pupil of achievement award will be conducted online and presented that day.

The new pl buddy initiative was raised however due to current climax this cant go ahead at present, this will be looked at at a future date,

Mrs Oates shared that the school were looking to approach the parent council to help fund the seesaw programme. This was discussed further.

Next meeting will be the AGM which will take place in August

Anne Cassidy

St Brendan's Primary School

Parent Council Clerk