Parent Council Meeting held on Tuesday 17th November 2020 @ 6:30PM

Present: - Miss Hay, Mrs Coyle, Mrs Bowman, Mrs Keiller, Mrs Clark, Ms Whitby, Mrs Awburn, Ms Guthrie, Mrs Mercer

Apologies: - Ms Cruickshanks, Mrs Mackintosh, Ms Jack, Mrs Mowat

Minutes from previous meeting: - Accepted

1. Headteacher Update

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The school is still following the national/local guidelines which have been in place since August. Recent change is that staff need to wear face coverings in communal areas.

Children still need to come to school in PE clothes on their PE day. A message will be coming out around the use of joggers/over trousers outside in light of the mud in the playing field.

Children can participate in contact and non-contact activities for PE. Mrs Harrow is carefully selecting activities and it will be outdoor as much as possible. Work has been undertaken to assess the ventilation and heating in the hall so that it can be used for PE but waiting on the outcome of a meeting on Thursday with property to determine if the hall can be used. Information will be issued next week on the outcome. If the hall is used, then equipment and touch areas will need to be cleaned.

Mrs Harrow has been using minimum equipment which is cleaned after every lesson and carefully rotated around each class. The active school co-ordinator is restricted to 1 group of children over 1 day. Extra-curricular activities are outdoor only and it is hoped that orienteering can be arranged.

Christmas

Christmas lunch is going ahead in classrooms on 15th Dec. On this day everyone can wear a Christmas jumper with an optional £1 donation to charity (payable via parent pay). The children will get to choose the charity.

Christmas parties will take place on Mon 21st Dec and will be based within the classroom (no joint class parties this year). Attempting to arrange a "socially distanced" visit from Santa whereby he will go around the outside of the building waving to the children within the school. It was agreed parent council funds would be used to purchase selection boxes for each child and snack packs for the parties.

All classes will be making crafts to take home.

23rd Dec will be a Christmas movie and Christmas jumpers again can be worn.

P1 will be doing a Christmas story video which can be sent home which will encompass narration and miming as singing/acting is against Covid guidelines.

In light of covid restrictions, rather than gifts for the teachers it was felt that a donation to charity would be a thoughtful gesture.

4. Treasurer Update:- Balance as of 17th November 2020 is £4591.86.

£437 has been received from PKC for admin costs and £60 has been spent on the purchase of books for the school library. Fundraising remains on hold at present.

5. AOB:-

The possibility of a Christmas scavenger hunt was discussed but is not being progressed in light of covid restrictions.

The possibility of a poppy display next year was also noted.

The school is going to look to arrange another order of school uniforms.

6. Next Meeting Tuesday 2nd February @ 6:30PM

All welcome