Bushes Primary Parent Council

Minutes of Meeting Monday 29th August 2022

Attendees:

Craig McCrorie	Jane MacLennan	Nicola Slaven	
Sarah Roberts	Kathryn McGowan		
Nicola West	Rona McDowall		
Alison Simpson	Emma Ronald		

Agenda:

- * AGM update
- * Playground update
- * School Lunches
- * Disco details for September
- * PC Helpers
- * AOB

AGM Update

- AGM will be held on the next PC meeting now Tuesday 27th September.
- New named roles will be filled at this meeting.
- Craig will arrange to share the updated constitution with the wider Parent Council Forum before the event.

Playground update

- Scotplay have confirmed ongoing issues with the suppliers, they are actively investigating a new supplier to supply the ground covering.
- Previous ground covering is not going to be supplied so alternatives are being sought that might still offer some of the benefits (less drainage issues, more stable, lower cost for installatsion / disposal etc)
- Craig waiting for timescales to be shared for this.
- Sanctuary have also been contacting school, Craig has provided them with an update on the delay.
- Discussion of what can do to reduce the drainage on the hill.
 - SR suggested planting more mature trees or quick growing bushes, less likely that they will be uprooted by vandals
 - CM advised that need to be mindful of not providing too much in way of obstruction to see into the playground.

- CM confirmed work can be done in term time, as soon as we get a suitable quote work can commence any time.
- CM will chase for another update.

School lunches

- Since return to school have ben instances of children not getting what has been ordered due to running out in kitchen, or what has been ordered not being supplied.
- CM confirmed have been staffing issues and new system issues so on first few days it has not recorded childrens order details, along with some children changing their order at the last minute.
- Hoping this is now resolved, appreciates that normally parents are made aware of any complications with the ordering system but accepts this was not sent this time.

School Disco plans

- CM had requested change to disco timings, bringing back by 15 mins so 6.15 start for P1-3 and 7.15 start for P4-7.
- Unfortunately, Wallace cannot do these times, agreed to keep original times of 6.30 and 7.30
- Discussion on what to sell in tuck shop, agreed that will not sell sherbet straws or millions due to issues with kids eating and needing them cut again.
- NW to look at Hillington Cash and Carry as our previous supplier to see what they have will look to order online including drinks.
- Glow bands and temporary tattoos also to be ordered online for sale.
- Water to be available for children who do not have money to buy bottles, considering where best to locate this table.
- CM confirmed PC can use water from staff room and set up table beside the tuck shop to fill jugs / PC can use water from the machine beside the kitchen, table to be set up there with disposable cups for children to use – adult helper will distribute this to avoid mess and spillage.
- Agreed ticket fee is £2 per person
- CM will issue permission slip and include guidelines for dropoff and pickups.
- At Drop off children queue for middle doors, pay monies (will need to be member of school staff for this) and go into hall.
- Parents who want to stay can stay in dinner hall.
- At pickup parents queue at the back door of the dinner hall, go into the main hall and collect children then leave through the front door.
- PC and helpers to ensure no child leaves without an accompanying adult.

PC Helpers

- Coffee and cake meeting prior to PC call, 7 people came along to sign up as PC helpers.
- CM agreed to allow PC to run a table at school open evening on Wednesday31st August to collect more names as some people may not be able to make two nights in the week.
- Volunteer listing will ne kept and group emailed when support is needed to see who can come along.

AOB

School Strikes

- Was announced today that will be strikes next week. Is there any more info on how school will be affected, online learning etc?
- CM said no info on this yet, waiting to hear more from Council on potential of impact on schools will depend on how many staff are striking.

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