

# Bushes Parent Council

## Meeting Minutes

Date: 27 August 2024

### Agenda:

1. Introductions
2. Term Calander 25/26
3. School Discos
4. Volunteer Group
5. Additional Events
6. AOCB

#### 1. Introductions

Kathryn introduced everyone back for new academic year, welcoming all new members. Described purpose & events throughout the year.

#### 2. Term Calander for 2025/26 session

Renfrewshire Council looking for feedback regarding start date for pupils for next academic session. Renfrewshire council are proposing to move start date forward to the week before originally planned to align with other councils

**Unanimous vote from all member – Yes we agree with the proposed change.**

Additional feedback regarding Xmas holidays with suggestion to move the Xmas holidays forward one day and return a day earlier after New Year. This would make the new dates 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – 5<sup>th</sup> Jan.

Craig will pass this feedback on to the council.

#### 3. School Disco

Need to book DJ for the first school disco as matter of priority.

First disco will take place 12/9/24 with 4 taking place across 2024/25.

Discussion regarding which DJ to book, comparing prices & services.

Members agreed to book Colin for the first disco due to noise & interaction with the pupils, especially as this is the first disco for new P1 pupils.

Kathryn to contact & book DJ.

Tuck Shop Inventory discussed. Ring pops & cartons of juice were very popular at last disco. Inventory taken at the end of the meeting and shopping list created.

#### 4. Parent Council Volunteer Group

Sarah P to message the Whatsapp for anyone not wanting to continue in the volunteer group to remove themselves from the chat.

Members will attend the Teacher Meet & Greet Evening 4:30-5:30 with a sign up sheet for any parents to volunteer to help at events.

Lisa to design & print posters

## **5. Additional Events**

Discussed moving forward with a Bingo Night as discussed last year. Andrew & Sarah will discuss further & make a proposal for organising the event.

Suggestion of Summer fayre with traditional fairground games.

Will be discussed further at a later date.

## **6. AOCB**

- HT advised that communication with teachers will go through the school office from now on to control teacher workload.
- Discussed Seesaw app and how to work it.
- BPS Homework policy: HT described the different methods that pupils might receive homework. This should help create balance and take away additional pressures for pupils & families.
- Lisa advised that a parent had asked her to raise question regarding the use of spare teaching spaces and if there is any. HT advised that all teaching spaces are used accordingly & managed throughout the school year.
- Olympic event from Session 23/24 raised over £4200. Money will be used for outdoor learning equipment & storage space. When final decision is made regarding the order, then school will communicate this to parents.
- Outdoor play space. HT assured that staff are there to supervise all playing spaces. Discussion regarding overgrown hedges. HT will speak to janitorial staff regarding this.
- Xmas Fayre: Kathryn will contact & check availability for Santa.