

Parent Council Meeting

2 September 2025

Attendees: Craig McCrorie, Donna McConnell, Kathryn McGowan, Nicola Slaven, Sarah Pearson, Lisa Gladstone, Jane Maclellan, Claire Jones, Alison Herriot, Ali Hughes, Andrew Bain

Agenda:

1. Finance update
2. Uniform recycling scheme
3. Parents Night
4. Disco
5. Trim Trail
6. Xmas Fayre
7. AOB

1. Finance Update

- Full finance update will be supplied at next meeting
- Deposit paid to Colin for DJ bookings

2. Uniform Recycle Scheme

- Ali estimates that she has 30-40 school jumpers available
- Some unbranded items have been donated e.g. shorts, trousers & plain polo shirts. C.McCrorie will send out message to remind parents that the scheme will focus on branded school wear in the first instance with a view to expand to unbranded depending on it's success moving forward.
- C.McCrorie will look at the items donated to check whether there is a need for anything at the moment, particularly for pupils starting the new school year.
- Discussion regarding setting up a stall for uniform items at the October parents evening.

3. Parents Evening

- Wednesday 8 October 2025
- Once PC members have booked appointments for the evening, a rota will be drawn up for volunteers to run the uniform stall and sell raffle tickets.
- Lisa to prepare prizes for raffle.
- Discussion regarding the card machine and accessing the payment app on phones.

4. Discos

- Colin has been booked for the first 2 discos.
- Discussion regarding having other DJ contacts in case Colin is unavailable. There are a couple of options available to price up for comparison.
- Discussion regarding volunteers for the disco. Sarah Pearson will send message to volunteers whatsapp group with a poll asking for available help.
- C.McCrorie will send message to parents requesting volunteers. Anyone interested in volunteering at any Parent Council events should email bushesparentcouncil@gmail.com

5. Trim Trail

- C.McCrorie advised that Sport Safe are due to come and inspect the equipment in October. It is not financially viable to fix/replace items at this point so anything that is a safety concern will be removed or secured. Current ideas include removing current trim trail and replacing with something else – e.g. planters, benches, goals/ball game equipment.
- Pupils will be asked for their opinion regarding trim trail replacement.
- Discussed potential idea to replace in stages as this would ensure that pupils and parents see effects of fundraising in a shorter time period and will also stagger any future repairs/replacements.
- Focus on sustainability of any items put in.

6. Christmas Fayre

- Discussed sourcing raffle prizes for fayre – local business donations/vouchers etc
- Discussion Re. hiring Santa for the event.
- Girls Brigade has requested a table.

7. AOB

- Scottish Showcase has been replaced with P3-7 Carol Service. Discussion regarding whether to have a raffle during this even or whether it is too soon after the Xmas fayre. Discussed having some parent council presence at the event. One option given was tea/coffee/mince pies.
- Music Provision. Currently Gregor Beatty works with P7 pupils, initially assessing musicality and preparing pupils for moving to Secondary school. Previously Gleniffer HS have offered after school clubs to primary pupils, teaching music and instruments.
- Query was made regarding sports clubs this year. C.McCrorie will look into it.
- Elected positions in the Parent Council were confirmed: Kathryn McGowan & Nicola Slaven will continue as Co-chairperson, Andrew Bain will continue as Treasurer and Sarah Pearson will continue as Secretary.