

# MINUTES

## Lochwinnoch Primary School Parent Council Meeting

Date | time 20/11/2023 6.30 pm | Meeting called to order by Alison Ramsey

### In Attendance

Mhairi Peden, Headteacher	Jennifer Fitzsimmons, Parent
Lynne Gilchrist, Deputy Head	Ailidh Campbell, Parent
Alison Ramsey, Chair	Mhairi Morrison, Parent
Rebecca Garman, Treasurer	Emma Duncan, Parent
Dee Butler, Secretary	Elise Barr, Parent
Louise Brown, Parent	Jennifer Waton, Parent
Ailie , Parent	

### Head Teacher's Report

#### Key highlights:

- **Use of funds** – options have been pulled together as there has been feedback from Parents for better quality books to enable pupils to practice at home. Not keen to send the materials we currently have as not always returned on time. Looking at pros and cons and will be forwarded. Various options including Epic books, Big Cats, Voxblock. Comes with a price tag. A request for physical books and books that are inclusive and diverse.
- **Going to run various workshops** to enable Parents to support at home with children and their reading.
- **Dressing the kids for weather outdoors** – MP going to look into various options and get samples etc
- **Trim trail** – MP/MM – apparently there are issues because the wood seems to be in slight disrepair and any works would only likely give it another couple of years. Therefore, need to ascertain what we do with it. MP going to request a quote to remove – Alan Frew. It's a shame but provides an opportunity with the space.
- **P7 sports leaders** have devised a list amounting to £167.
- **School dinners** – there are issues with what is on offer. MP looking for feedback. Generally, feels like it needs to be simplified, having an option which is a constant e.g. a sandwich, soup, baked potato. MP going to email back to ask best way to put across.
- **Survey** – positive and useful feedback. Going to touch base with Parents to enable action, working groups etc
- **Children in Need** - £250 donations collated.

### Treasurer's Report

- £2,106 currently in the bank.
- Ipads ordered (x4) and decathlon for £1,285 of Station Rise. Funds will be coming direct from PC for 1 of them. £350 Decathlon

- £47 from disco + parent pay cash (tbc) – MP to arrange for transfer to keep together.
- Funding for books – need to decide as a group how much to allocate.
- £42 came from Easy Fundraising

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## Parent Council Updates

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- Used uniform area – a lot of P1 and P2 sizes.
- Appealing to parents to donate books.
- Halloween disco was a success.
- Application has gone to CHEF funding – to support offering of a play.
- Christmas fun run – proposed Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December. Hot chocolate afterwards. Question over where we might go for this. Alison to reach out to Tony.

Christmas stall – hot dogs (MP confirmed school has 6 slow cookers), mix of veggie and meat. Breads etc  
Jen S – demonstrated various items to sell on our stall.

Reminder of Whatsapp group – for new parents, welcome to join.

Family ceilidh – an initial thought only at this stage.

Playground issues – Alison hasn't come direct to MP to discuss in advance. MP is keen that parents come to her direct.

Question raised regarding why ELCC is not part of Parent Council. Concern lack of formal forum exists for parents to feedback.

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## Next Meeting

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Next meeting – tbc

Adjourned 8:00 pm