



St. Fergus' Parent Council

Minutes of Meeting on Thursday 25th March 4.30pm

Attendance and Apologies	<p>Attendance: Mrs. McDonald, Sarah Jane, Ashley, Fr. John, Laura, Gillian</p> <p>Apologies: None Received</p>
Headteacher's Report	<p>COVID</p> <p>While the desire for normalcy is great and understandable, our school community we must continue to adhere to guidance from Scottish Govt. especially about use of entrances/exits & staggered playtimes and lunchtimes.</p> <p>Thus far the school has had very few COVID infections traceable to the school – no doubt due to the mitigation afforded strict by hygiene and social distancing measures.</p> <p>The ‘gathering’ of parents in groups outside the school gates remains a concern not least since Ferguslie continues to experience higher than average rates of infection.</p> <p>The current risk-assessment is available at the school office. It is extremely thorough.</p> <p>Only one person should pick up child at the end of the day.</p> <p>These measures will continue to be emphasized through social media, newsletters, and text messages.</p> <p>The Breakfast Club has not, yet, been able resume due to staff shortages. The staff ordinarily involved in the club now have other duties re infection control before school.</p> <p>MM recognises that some parents may need to be reminded of the respective start/end times of classes. These will be issued again through the school newsletter.</p> <p><i>Pupil Equity Fund</i></p> <p>Thus far there have been no responses to the survey regarding the use of the Pupil Equity Fund (PEF). The school has received £77,118. Approximately £69,000 goes toward human resources. MM would like some suggestions as to how the remaining funds should be spent. Possible uses include: resources for outdoor learning and resources/development/continuation of mental health programs.</p> <p><i>Sacraments</i></p> <p>The following dates have been agreed for the celebration of the Sacraments: First Confession Tuesday 8th June (During the school day) First Communion Saturday 12th June (There will be a maximum of 3 Masses- Number of guests are not known and may not be the same as last year's Celebrations) Confirmation Thursday 17th June (During the school day)</p>



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	<p>P7 Hoodies The 'hoodies' cost £18. Purchase of the 'hoodies' it was agreed that the PC would support this payment from the Christmas Activities fund.</p> <p>Survey re School Closure:</p> <p>Only 12% of families responded and the vast bulk of the responses were positive. Any concerns raised have been addressed by the school. A full report re the survey can be found at: https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/public/stfergus/uploads/sites/2285/2021/03/28134847/Parental-Response-to-School-Closure-March-2021.pdf</p> <p>Transitions</p> <p>Primary One transition events will probably beheld after school or Online. P7 transition will probably take place on-line.</p> <p>Vodafone</p> <p>To help with the children completing their homework online via their Google classroom/ Seesaw we have 50, 3 months 30gb, sim cards available to any parent.</p>
AOCB	Members of the PC commended staff for their efforts during Lockdown.
Date of Next Meeting	➤ Thursday 29 th April at 4.30pm (Zoom)

Meeting concluded at 17:08