

St John Ogilvie

Parent Partnership

Minutes of AGM held on 29th April 2024

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Theresa Brogan	Lorna Murray	Gayle Watt	Fiona MacNeil
Claire Rush	Frances MacInnes	Claire Boyd	Heather Semple
Claire Connell	Kelly Muir	Maura Edgar	Father Ryan
Nicola Gray	Nikki Minelly	Kirsty Dragsnes	Magdalena Zacharewicz
Sandrine Manoka			

Welcome and Introductions

Theresa welcomed and thanked everyone for their attendance. Father Ryan led the prayer of the Parent Partnership.

Review of Minutes

Minutes of previous AGM agreed.

End of Year Accounts and Fundraising Update

Frances has shared PP accounts with everyone prior to meeting.

Balance from last year £8876.73. Current balance is £6023.40.

Main income this year has been from Christmas Fayre, £7765.24 including own clothes and raffle.

100 Club generated fantastic amount of £2731.50.

Main expenditures were 2023 and 2024 leavers hoodies (£1067.85), Christmas fayre expenses (£1105.09), panto and ice cream (£1472.15), buses for class trips (£3525) and new ipads (£3163.40).

Great to be able to support the school in this way. Thanks also to teachers.

Ladies Night in March was not a lot of work and made money, will probably continue in March going forward.

Summer Party is next event, date to be confirmed but proposed as 8th June. The new DJ is moving abroad but has recommended a replacement for graduation disco and another for summer party.

Church Rep Update

No update as no meetings attended recently.

Maura was presented with flowers and chocolates to thank her for continued support and contributions as Church Rep.

HT Update

Residential

Inverclyde Sports Centre in Largs this year for the first time. Plan to return next year, subject to staff and volunteers, as enjoyed by everyone. Thanks to PP for bus costs. Cost of trip was less than previous years and activities were same or better. Weather was very kind and walk to Nardini's for ice cream was added bonus!

Hoping to make arrangements with Inverclyde Sports Centre soon to allow details to be shared with P6 parents earlier to help manage costs.

April

Lorna displayed a slide, illustrating activities from the last 2 weeks including: residential, activities for children who didn't attend residential (bowling, crazy golf, McDonalds), P6 buddy training and classroom monitoring, P5 penny whistle, P6 bikeability and Paisley Book Festival, dress down day for Bishop John's charity Missio, Bishop John visit, P7 confirmation, P4 First Holy Communion - thanks for tea.

May

Lots going on during May.

Three class trips, P1, P1/2 and P6, to Loch Lomond Faerie Trail, the Tall Ship and Sky Up Studio respectively.

P1 induction sessions due to start. Will also have parent/carer induction evening.

God's Loving Plan was displayed at parents evening and will continue to be delivered this term as part of RE curriculum.

Travelling Rosary is about to launch for P4 families. All schools in Paisley Diocese have been gifted a statue of Our Lady and rosary beads for pupils, which will visit homes in similar way to the Travelling Crib at Christmas.

P6 attending Safe Kids event at SMiSA Stadium.

P7 being supported in transition to all high schools moving on to.

Feast of Ascension will be celebrated.

P6 primary science visit to West College Scotland.

Skoobs bus.

HT and ADHT for the day, 8 P7 children and 4 P1 children respectively.

June

End of year reports will be issued.

Transition meetings for P1 and P7.

Pope Francis Faith Award.

Leavers mass and graduation disco.

Other things in background include pupil tracking meetings looking at progress of each child in the school, class room visits to monitor teaching, assessments, reporting, writing school improvement plan and standards and quality report, and data submission to Scottish Government.

Cathedral Catch Up

Father Ryan spoke about sacrament season and preparation involved in being Chaplains to 4 schools including Mary Russell. Medals from Rome have been presented to P4 and P7 pupils who received sacraments as a gift from Father Joe and Father Ryan.

Father Joe or Father Ryan make weekly visits to school on Thursday mornings. First half of year visits to all classes and teachers can request topics for discussion. Second half of year visits are focused on sacramental classes.

Travelling Rosary was blessed today in preparation for initiative starting. Hoping as well received as Travelling Crib.

Reminder that children's liturgy is at 11am mass on Sundays and is going very well since relaunch.

Cluster meeting tomorrow for all chaplains and head teachers in Paisley to discuss better ways of working together. Bishop is very pleased and thinks this is a great idea and looking to launch with other clusters.

Feast of Ascension will be celebrated on 9th May

Father Joe and Father Ryan will be involved in P1 parent induction meeting on 16th May and are holding prayer service with incoming P1 pupils and families on 30th May.

In June P7 leavers mass and mass of thanksgiving will be celebrated in school.

Pope Francis Faith Awards will also be in June.

Father Ryan thanked Maura for all she does for school and parish.

Also thanked Lorna for another fantastic year, relationship between parish and school getting stronger and stronger. Children are very comfortable around the priests and in the Cathedral.

Thanks to Gayle and Fiona for RE liaising and calendar planning.

Looking forward to improving relationship between parish and home in next year. Bringing PP back into coffee morning rota could be one way to do this.

Lots of social events in parish, check bulletin.

Thanks to PP for all done for parish and school over last year.

Prayer and hymn of month now being linked in school newsletter as well as Cathedral catch up with Mini Vinnies.

Request for Expenditure

Request that PP continue to support transport costs for trips etc, where possible as aware of increase in cost of this.

Continue to provide Reading Eggs subscription when due for renewal.

Continue to provide treats, for example ice cream, Easter eggs, Christmas gifts, bouncy castle.

Timber trail at back of school requires a repair priced at approximately £400, will try to get reduced price and will then advise.

Bus to Loch Lomond approximately £300 and bus to Tall Ship approximately £200.

Activity Time

Lorna asked attendees to complete Mentimeter exercise on ipads on subject of simplifying the current 5 school aims. Post-it notes were used to submit ideas due to a technical difficulty.

While completing the activity, Lorna played a video in the background illustrating school activities, events and achievements from the last year, including: gardening committee, school football teams, house tokens, road race, Skoobs bus, lunch clubs, discos, pupil council meetings, power of prayer, learning outdoors, world of work week, opening of new library on TV, skipping rope shopping, park visits, lego club, parent/carer bedtime stories, Accord Hospice Christmas cards, Gruffalo visits, Travelling Crib, online safety, panto, SJO singers at Accord Hospice, foodbank donations, problem solving, class masses at Cathedral, digital leaders, coffee morning, new sponsors of football kit, Scottish Parliament visit, Edinburgh Castle visit, skipping zones, World Thinking Day, SCIAF fundraising, World Book Day celebrations, day at farm, First Confession, Scotland Concert and feast day mass, family learning, science day, Stirling Castle visit, chatter matter group, litter pick, River Clyde visit, Bishop John visit, health week, Scottish food tasting, PP Easter eggs, talent show, planting pumpkins, residential and bikeability.

Office Bearers

3 office bearers are leaving this year.

Secretary role is available as Claire B is leaving. Claire Connell was proposed by Theresa and seconded by Heather.

Vice Chair is available as Claire R is moving to high school. Kelly Muir was proposed by Theresa and seconded by Heather.

Chairperson is available as Theresa is stepping down. Theresa proposed Heather Semple and was seconded by Claire C.

AOB

Theresa thanked Claire R and Claire B for supporting her since taking on roles in 2021 and for help and support of children and other parents.

End of an era for Theresa, as been parent at the school since 2006 and an office bearer for 12 of those years. Took over in 2019 for this run as chair and navigated Covid times. Role has brought lots of joy and not worried about leaving PP in Heather's hands and very lucky as a school to have 3 people eager to step into vacant roles.

Lorna presented a video from pupils to say thank you and outgoing office bearers were given flowers.

Next meeting is on 3rd June at 5.45pm in school.

Theresa thanked attendees for the final time and closed the meeting.