St Peter's Parent Council Meeting Monday 18 November 2019 6pm

Present
Mrs McAllister Treasurer
Mr Doherty Chair
Canon Eddie Church Representative
Mrs Connick Parent
Mrs Crook Parent
Mrs Cartwright Parent
Mrs Mazzoni Head Teacher
Miss Gordon Class Teacher
Mrs Tannahill Clerk

Welcome/Apologies

Mr Doherty welcomed everyone and opened the meeting. There were no apologies.

Chairpersons Report

Mr Doherty informed the group he will be attending a Parent Council Liaison Meeting on Tuesday 19 November at Renfrewshire Council and will report back to the group at the next meeting.

• Treasurers Report

Mrs McAllister reported the balance today is £232.27. Mrs McAllister and Mr Doherty have purchased Christmas gifts for every child in the school.

Head Teachers Report

Mrs Mazzoni updated the group about the staffing in the school. Mrs Lawson continues to be absent and Mrs Mazzoni has no way of knowing when she will return. Mrs Campbell continues to be absent and is due to return to work on Monday 25 November 2019.

Miss Dowling is covering Primary 6/7 while Mrs Maclean is on maternity leave.

Miss Roger is in P5 while Mrs McLean is carrying out her duties as Acting Principle Teacher.

Mr Menzies is teaching P2/3 while Mrs Campbell is absent.

The Staff from Renfrewshire Council' supply team have been wonderful and have fitted in to the school perfectly.

Mrs Mazzoni assured the group her Education Manager has been very supportive during Mrs Lawson's absence and has offered support in terms of staffing to continue at St Peter's after Mrs Campbell returns on 25 November.

Mrs Mazzoni will update the parent forum about staffing and staff absences via newsletter.

Learning through Landscapes (professional landscape company) are visiting the school on Friday 22 November and will carry out a site visit with suggestions for our outdoor learning area. The company have carried out fantastic work in other schools. Mrs Mazzoni is using PEF money to fund this as it is a very important part of children's learning experience.

The children's discussions and ideas will be incorporated in to the final plans.

Mrs Mazzoni informed the group that the School App was now up and running and thanked Mr Doherty for his help in spreading the word at Parents Evenings. Mrs McLean is uploading lots of information about what is taking place in the school and at the church.

Christmas Party 24 November 2019

Mrs McAllister reported a lack of helpers. She will put a further appeal on the facebook page. Everything is booked and organised.

• Christmas Disco 5 December 2019

DJ and let have been booked.

Wear something Christmassy Day 3 December 2019

Families will be asked for donations of bottles on this day.

Primary 7 Leavers

There will be no sub committee organising the Primary 7 leavers dance. Parents who wish to contribute any ideas are welcome to attend the regular monthly Parent Council meetings.

It will take place in the school hall and the catering arrangements will be taken care of by the Parent Council Group.

Any transport arrangements will be the decision of parents of the children.

Mrs Mazzoni informed the group that the school would again provide the Primary 7 pupils with their leavers hoodies. They will receive them before they leave for Lockerbie Manor for their residential trip.

AOB

Canon Eddie talked to the group about the importance of our schools in the community. Roman Catholic schools should be promoted and valued by our communities as they produce well adjusted and healthy young people.

School staff are witness to what they believe and their words and actions have a huge impact on children's education.

The group had a discussion about having a fish & chip/quiz evening during the months of January/February.

• Date of next meeting

Monday 13 January 2019