

PC Minutes 13/01/25

Present: Clare Douglas, Paul Marshall, Laura McIver, Gayle Wozencroft, Julie Degnan, Sandy Purewal, Claire Booth

Apologies: Rhona Lynch, Alket Dashi, Claire Harkins, Leanne Berry

Welcome

Communications

- Social Media: Renfrewshire Council moving from X to BlueSky
- HTs will look at different options with Renf Council
- Mr Marshall exploring GroupCall Expressions App – parents can sign up for notifications – worked well in previous school – can schedule messages to go out at popular times, less chance of comms being missed – secure as just goes to parents from Click & Go
- Need to look at other ways on how to communicate with wider community
- PC need to look at how they would send direct comms – maybe through school office? – PM to look at this

School Estate

- Gerard McLaughlin keen to attend PC meeting in March
- PM has a couple of meetings scheduled with Renf Council to look at roll and school admissions policy
- PC had been contacted by a journalist for comment on Renfrewshire Council school estate - CD will liaise with her

50th Anniversary Update from PM

- Trinity at 50
- Scoping mtg held last year – pupils, staff, former pupils. Group set up within the school.
- Launch: 31st January. 70s-themed non-uniform day (monetary contribution to start fundraising); 70s-themed Friday Fringe; Trinity at 50 logo banner by S1 Technical classes will be released before Feb weekend.
- Showcase in summer term: school show team working on this, reaching out to former pupils.
- Bishop John will say Mass in August, either in school or one of the parishes, including a social event
- End the year with a ceilidh
- S4 Leadership Award: plan and implement an event to promote the school value of community. Ideas will be collated and the Trinity at 50 Team will choose some to incorporate.
- PC support welcomed, esp. with fundraising ideas.
- Larger events will be circulated to PC for support
- Erskine Parishes have been supportive so far too – possible pilgrimage involving parishioners

Chaplaincy Update

- Fr. Dan not at OLOL or Trinity High at present – no news of timescales
- Fr. Dan donated new lectionaries to school before he moved to Clarkston
- Fr. John back as chaplain again, school very grateful for this

Treasury Accounts

- BoS starting to charge for our account

- Sandy looking into alternatives
- PC need more info – PM will speak to office and Council and get further info to share with CD
- SP and CD will pick this up when have further info

HT Report

- Pupil visits happened in last term: Champions League (looking at possibility of doing this again); London
- Parents' Evening for S5-S6 – turnout not great – reviewing parents evenings/reporting systems, gathering parental feedback
- Prelims – S4s sat these before Christmas for the first time. Pupils were pleased with this. PM looking for parental feedback.
- Christmas Concert; well attended; raised money for school fund; music instructors and teachers involved; music service granted £400 (taking total to £2000 for this year)
- Panto – S1 and St Columba House attended; provisionally booked for next year
- Snow Ball – great event, well-run, money raised went into school fund for Prom
- Last Day: advent service, karaoke, social dance – good feeling across school
- S5-S6 prelims started on first day back; in hindsight, would leave a couple of days first next time. All marking done before Feb weekend. Supported Study across several Depts and Study Café will run when prelims have finished.
- Upcoming dates: S3 Retreat in St James' on Friday; 24th Jan S2/7th Feb S4 Reports; 11th Feb – S2 Parents Evening; 6th Feb Careers Evening – 30 confirmed contributors plus all subjects in the hall – open to all year groups (S2, 4 & 5 are all taking options 17th-21st Feb); inviting Renfrew High Parents – intend to continue joint-working with them on similar events to benefit the town.

Next Meeting: 10th March in-person