

Wallace Primary School Parent Council Minutes of meeting held Wednesday, 26th April 2023

Present:-

Headteacher Susan Dalrymple (SD)
Deputy Headteacher Lynne Docherty (LD)

Diana Brooker (DB)

Chair Charlotte Boyle (CB)
Vice Chair Lorissa Kennedy (LK)
Secretary Antonia Aitken (AA)
Treasurer Claire Bunting (CB)
Vice Treasurer Marjorie Wilson (MJ)
Council Members Iain Stephenson (IS)

Margaret (Community Council)

Apologies:-

Council Members Louise Moore

Emma Rankin Linda McMillan

Item of business	Action
Headteacher's Report	
Staffing update:-	
 David Rigmand has been confirmed as new Headteacher, 	
beginning initial transition. Hopefully he will be in attendance at	
a PTC meeting before the end of the school year.	
- Mr. Miller, Janitor, is retiring after 30 years at the summer.	
 Mrs Clydesdale is also retiring at the summer. 	
 Miss Casey, classroom assistant, will also be leaving to 	
commence teacher training.	
- Nicola Jackson has been appointed as a classroom assistant	
(returning member of staff), will be commencing on 9 th May	
2023	
Class structure for 2023/24 has been confirmed - There P1 intake for the year is 57 at preent.	
- P1 x 2, P1/2, P2, P2/3, P4 x 2, P5, P5/6, P6, P6/7, P7 (13 classes	
in total, previous years there has been 14 classes).	
- DB & LD have commenced process of sorting children into	
classes. Look at boys/girl ratio, ASN, ability and friendship	
groups.	
- Awaiting confirmation of staffing before teachers can be	
matched to classes. Biggest class size will be 28. Composites and	
P1 all 24.	
Parental survey results	
- Similar, positive picture as 2022.	
 Questions are from HMI. Same as last 6 years. 	

- Feedback pitch/playground mentioned a few times. Have raised with local authority – not something that school or PTC could possibly fund.
- PEF spend set for 2 years at approx. £34K. Previously funded 2 days' of teacher + extra classroom assistant 9am 1pm. Cannot afford this year because of increased costs. Discussion amongst PTC AA indicating preference to have teacher, as this allows more targeted support for children that may require it (as opposed to classroom assistant being more generalised). Discussing whether PTC could assist with funding AR subscription expires 2024. Glasgow Airport Flight Path Funding apply for support.
- School Improvement Plan (SIP) Talk for Writing will remain, health and wellbeing will remain (RNRA nurturing approaches), maths & numeracy new planners from authority, revising all active approaches, considering putting STEM on training on science and outdoor learning has been useful. Positive feedback from PTC on the outdoor learning, school catching up to nursery.

Trips

- All classes have got trips booked. Some are free.
- P1 Kelvingrove
- P2 Heads of Ayr
- P3 Kelpies
- P3/4 & 4 Science Centre
- P5 Cinema Trip
- P5/6 & 6 Science Centre
- P7 Residential Trip

PTC confirming pledge of £5 per head per child on the school roll.

New P1 & P7 gifts. Pen for P7 – Class of 2023 engraved + tie. Balloon + tie for P1.

Treasurer's Update

Balance - £2,881.23 in account

Trips - £1,610.00

Need to confirm PTC portion of ParentPay.

Still to pay let for disco. Awaiting bill.

Lottery support is rising.

Trim Trail

Needs to be dug out, edged over, membrane down & bark.

Railings – paint is sitting there. Full Byres Road side.

AA to liaise with digger driver and appeal via social media for help with painting, etc.

Summer Fayre	
Saturday, 10 th June 2023, 12-3 or 1-4pm (TBC).	
Community Council has funding – bouncy castle, fencing, go karts, crafts,	
facepainting. All free.	
Stall holders – fee for stall + donation to raffle.	
Discussing purpose – allotment, community garden. This will not be a	
direct income generator for PTC/school. Funds are going to benefit	
whole community.	
Thursday, 25 th May 2023 – own clothes in exchange for donations. Same	
format as before: bottles, chocolate, tombola, filled mugs/party bags.	
As an aside, Community Council praising the children and their respect	
for playpark and general attitude in and around community.	
Grants	
Appeal for someone to assist with securing grants. Discuss whether this	
is something that we could do with support from Community Council	
given their experience.	
Check Connect.	

Next full meeting:-Tuesday, 16th May 2023 at 3pm (childcare to be provided). Tuesday, 13th June 2023 at 3pm (childcare to be provided).