

Parent Council AGM Meeting

4th September 2024

Attendance:

Laura Syme , Yvonne Mcallister, Lorraine Poole, Pamela Lingard , Hollie Hampsey, Lorraine Brown, Andrea Kane, Annette Graham and Mrs Berry.

Apologies:

Karen Riley

Matters Arising:

Treasurer has been changed to Holli Hampsey. Bank account has been changed over from RBS to Clydesdale Bank and balance is £1464.

Chairperson Report:

Buddy bench arrived at the school and all the kids love it and use it. Events held include a Halloween disco, bake sale and a raffle for a hamper prize.

Fund Raising:

The school budget is tight this year. Panto cost approx. £5000 so will be held in the school for approx. £500. Panto staff will also hold a workshop in the school for pupils. Pupil council will join the next meeting with some fundraising ideas to help.

Treasurer Report:

Hollie has opened a new bank account and needs to catch up with Pauline about getting the funds transferred and closing the old account. Balance at the moment is £1464 with cash in the safe waiting to be transferred.

Role Bearers Change:

Laura is staying on as chair with Pamela now joining as vice chair. Lorraine P has stepped down as vice chair and is now co secretary with Yvonne. Lorraine B stepped down as secretary. Hollie and Karen stay on as treasurer and vice treasurer.

Plans to build up volunteers for events include surveys for suitable times and days to be sent in newsletter.

Head Teacher Report:

School photographs will be taken on **Friday 13th September**. Photographer has now been changed to monument due to parents suggestions. Parent Calendars for the new term will be issued, which will have all important school dates noted. Connect memberships came through for parent council. School got a budget for it this year.

Plan for the Year:

First event planned will be a Halloween disco held on the **30th October**. Followed by Name the bear on the **29th November** and a bake sale on the **18th December**.

School Panto, "Beauty and the Beast" will be held on the **24th October**.

Last Action:

Lorraine Brown will ask Jane Hamilton from Engage if she can come along to a parent council meeting to discuss things like funding for the school. Hollie has explained that we can apply for the blue token slot at Tesco and will confirm a day for bucket collection at Tesco entrance.

Next Meeting:

The next parent council meeting will be an evening meeting to give other parents a chance to attend. Meeting date is **Wednesday 2nd October** 7pm-8pm.

Other Business:

Jennifer Gibney will arrange a meeting with families who may be needing help.

The next parent ambassadors meeting is being held in the Arkleston learning hub on 23rd September at 12:30pm. This is open to all parents/carers of school age children with additional support needs. The topic for this meeting is transition and will be chaired by Clair Mccrossan who is the interim education manager for ASN and inclusion.

Brain Donnelly is holding sessions on Mondays from 9am for parents who are interested. He helps with family's behaviour and bullying among a lot of other things.

Mrs Berry discussed an email she received from a parent about Asda “cash pots” a cash pot has been set up for woodlands and parents can add to this by scanning their asda rewards app whenever they shop at Asda.