#### **Alloway Primary Parent Council**

### **Summer Newsletter**

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#### Hello Parents/Carers,

Another school year has ended, and I hope your children enjoyed our events.

We wish P7 students all the best in secondary school. I am also stepping down as chair after two fulfilling years of bringing back events like the summer and Christmas fairs.

I've made wonderful friends, including our fundraising convenor, Julie Grant, who is also stepping down. Julie and I have been involved with the parent council for a number of years. We urge you to get on board and consider our vacancies for chair and fundraising convenor at the next AGM, as they have yet to be filled.

Unfortunately, considering the size of school, we still struggle to get parents/carers to help us out at events as well as planning and organising them. It would be sad to see events/treats/subsidies dwindle away as it is rewarding to see the delight these bring the children. So, go on, get involved the next academic year and enjoy your summer holidays!

#### Laura Cameron, Outgoing Chair

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If you would like to join or assist the Parent Council in any way please email us at allowayparentcouncil@gmail.com.

We'd be delighted for any support that you can provide.



#### Free movie night

We provided a free movie night for the children back in February and children got to bring their own snacks. It was great to see it so well attended.



#### Main fundraising events

Our main fundraising events the past year came from our festive fun day and Christmas merchandise which raised an amazing £5388.98 for the school. We also sold refreshments at both school shows as well as sports day which added to the balance.



#### New school sound system

This year's objective was to replace the school's failing sound system, which we successfully achieved. We enjoyed hearing the new sound system in action at both school shows. Rest assured, we haven't forgotten about the trim trail plans; we just had to prioritise the sound system.





#### **New Music Equipment**

We were over the moon to see our 15 brandnew ukuleles in action at the school summer shows. To add some extra sweetness, we even treated all the young performers to ice lollies during the interval!



#### Supplies for Nursery Garden

We gifted just over £800 to the EYC to develop their outdoor project where the children have been growing vegetables, it looks fantastic and the children are enjoying looking after it...



#### **Book Fair**

The travelling book fair was back and thanks to your purchases, it made a whopping £1023.47 to be spent on new books for the children to use at school.





# Fancy getting involved?

- Improve links between parents and the school.
- Address topics of interest to parents.
- Promote parental involvement in children's learning as part of the CfE.
- Voice parents' views to the education authorities and other stakeholders.
- Participate in the hiring process for new Headteachers and senior staff.
- Play a vital role during and after school inspections.
- Organise and run social and fundraising activities.
- Have your say on how parent council funds should be spent.

Sign up at: allowayparentcouncil@gmail.com



#### P1 and P7 gifts

We bought ties as gifts for the new primary 1 students and secondary school ties as departing gifts for the primary 7 students. We hope they find them useful.



#### Summer celebration

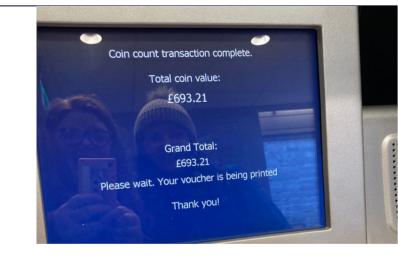
Every year, we get asked to supply a treat for the children at the annual school summer picnic. Previous years have saw alpacas, Fabulous Fraser and an ice cream truck! This year we tied it in with the gold theme for the RRS gold award the school won and provided children with a treat bag with a touch of gold, we hope they enjoyed!



#### Parent Council Accounts

Accounts are healthy with over 6k left at the end of this academic year.

Thank you to everyone for all of your support.



#### **Back to School Uniforms**

Get organised for the new school year:

- Check out our 'Eco Rail' in Alloway Library. Please help yourself and take what you need.
- Order deadlines for BE UNIFORMS for the new school year is Sunday 7th July.
- Blu Design also sell school uniforms and are able to offer collection in Ayr.





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