



Ballantrae Primary Parent Council

Annual General Meeting of Thursday, 13th September 2018

MINUTE

In Attendance: Laura Cunningham, Margo Lambie, Clare Sloan (PT), Suzie Curtis, Anna Kosak, Stacey Stewart, Liz Jenkins, Claire Mills, Alison McKay, Aylie McIlwraith, Tanya Orr, Yvonne Templeton (HT), Michaela Brough, Rachael Agnew, Lynne Ritchie

Apologies: Fiona Stevenson, Cheryl Agnew

SUBJECT	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Welcome & Apologies	Laura opened the meeting, welcomed everyone along and the apologies were noted.	
Previous Minute & Matters Arising	Follow up on feedback from residential trip, all P5 parents were happy for their children to go on trip.	
New Members & Office Bearers	<p>Laura Cunningham is happy to carry on as Chairperson Nominated by Tanya Orr & Seconded by Liz Jenkins.</p> <p>Liz Jenkins is happy to carry on as Vice Chairperson Nominated by Laura Cunningham & seconded by Michaela Brough.</p> <p>Tanya Orr is stepping down as treasurer. Aylie McIlwraith was proposed and accepted to take on treasurer Nominated by Laura Cunningham and seconded by Claire Mills.</p> <p>Margo Lambie is stepping down as secretary. Anna Kosak was proposed as secretary and accepted Nominated by Liz Jenkins & seconded by Aylie McIlwraith.</p>	
Treasurer's Report	<p>Income – over £14,000 Expenditure - £13,000</p> <p>Bank balance is under £8250.</p>	

Chairpersons Report	<p>The parent council meet each term to discuss matters raised by parents and staff and fundraise for the year ahead. The increased numbers coming along to the meetings is very encouraging. We tried alternating meetings between mornings & evenings to try and suit everyone.</p> <p>Fundraising activities included</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At Christmas time, we raffled a hamper, sold tea towels & cakes - Dress down day - Bingo – covered the Easter egg hunt - Sponsored activities — well received by kids - Gala stall <p>We were successful in applying to the community council for funding for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coaches - Transport nursery to swimming <p>We were also successful in applying to Ballantrae community fund for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gymnastic equipment - Balls - 50 hours of coaching - 4 sets of junior bowls <p>We applied to Carrick Futures for funding P5/6/7 residential trip which was successful.</p> <p>Laura thanked Liz, Tanya & Margo for their help throughout the year.</p>	
Head Teachers Report	<p><u>School update</u></p> <p>There was a delay in starting work on the school due to post fire, insurance etc We now have the go ahead to carry on.</p> <p>The classrooms have been cleared and the roof is going on. The new build suffered water damage to the flooring, the under floor heating will need to be redone before work starts on the inside of the build. Work to the outside has been coming along well. There is a new architect working on the build who is very good at updating us on the progress and the whole refurbishment of the school is going to be a lot better.</p> <p>We are very hopeful to be back in Ballantrae school by Easter.</p> <p>We are focusing on Literacy, numeracy, health & wellbeing, still doing community activities, outdoor learning, and our harvest assembly — with our performance in the church.</p> <p>The nursery have organised a Macmillan coffee morning on Friday, 28th September in Ballantrae Community Centre.</p>	

**Head Teachers
Report cont'd**

P5/6/7 are learning their parts for a musical activity supported by the Scottish Opera, they are having a half day session workshop in Kirkmichael Primary along with Colmonell Primary, Kincaidston Primary and Straiton Primary, and a final performance will take place in Ayr Town Hall on Thursday, 25th October, parents are very welcome to come along.

The school role has dropped to 47 and nursery role is 8.

School assistant time has been cut from 47 to 30 hours.

SNSA – Scottish National Standardised Assessment took place for P1, P4 & P7. It's a diagnostic tool rather than an assessment to identify children's progress & provide diagnostic information to support the teacher's judgement. It is an IT linked system.

The ACE days have been booked

P5/6/7 – 4 days

P3/4 – 3 days

P1/2 – 3 days

The harvest thanksgiving will take place in the Church at the end of term.

The Rural have kindly agreed to host the Hallowe'en party on Friday 26th October & the children will be entertained by the Road Runner, after the school was nominated and successfully won an online competition.

It was suggested if anyone has any old costumes to bring them along for any children who would like to dress up & it was also suggested that everyone made their own costume this year, with the theme for the party being reuse and recycle.

Ballantrae Exhibition will take place on Saturday, 29th September in Ballantrae Parish Church. We have taken extracts from the school log book & the children have been researching the magic lantern, different illnesses recorded by the head teacher, what the weather was like, fun & leisure activities.

Christmas – The Pantomime is booked for an afternoon performance, the money that was kindly donated to Ballantrae school through a crowd funding just giving page after the fire, is going to be put towards the children's pantomime trip & every child will benefit.

-P1-P4 party will take place in Ballantrae hall on Thursday, 13th December.

- P5/6/7 party will take place in Colmonell school.

- The school show is an evening performance on Weds 19th December.

Recent & Planned Expenditure	<p>New gymnastic equipment has been purchased.</p> <p>50 hours of coaching in an afterschool club is taking place</p> <p>Balls & bowls are still to be purchased.</p> <p>A balance beam for the nursery has been purchased, also a mat for the nurseries water tray & 1 tonne of sand.</p>	
Fundraising Activities	<p>Fashion show at M&Co November</p> <p>Christmas hamper raffle</p> <p>Balloon/duck race — we could coordinated it with the opening of our new school.</p>	<p>LC</p> <p>LC</p> <p>ALL</p>
A.O.C.B.	<p>Stacey asked if the parent council would be able to pay for the children to be recognised as gymnasts, they would earn badges and their achievements recognised, everyone was happy for this to go ahead.</p> <p>Jugs of water & plastic cups in classrooms — parents were concerned that children would not be able to clean out cups properly & there was a risk of germs being spread. It was suggested the school buys water bottles as perviously happened and that they are cleaned in a dishwasher back at the hall.</p> <p>Parents wanted to thank Roy for all his hard work & help & to Cathy for all her voluntary work. School to produce thank you letters/cards.</p> <p>Nursery staff Louise Sheddon & Paula Lorimer has been recognised for their great work in Play on Pedals & have been nominated in South Ayrshire people awards.</p> <p>The P5/6/7 residential trip has been booked for the end of June to Dumfries House.</p>	<p>SS</p> <p>YT/CS</p> <p>CS</p>
Date and Time of Next Meeting	The next meeting will be on Thursday, 1st November in Ballantrae Community Hall at 7pm.	