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Barassie Parent council meeting minutes 12/10/23

Present : Julie Flemming (HT) , Jennifer Mills (DHT) , Lindsay Wood (Chair) , Lynda Hardman (Vice chair) , Kathryn Limond , Wilma Benson , Nicola Gerrish , Tamara Ben Horesh , Karen Nicol, Nicole McIllwraith

Apologies: Lorna McEwan, James McEwan, Vikki Malcom, Rachel McConville, Jayne Casper, Laura Anderson.

	Agenda	Minutes	Actions
1.	Head Teachers report	<p>In Summary:</p> <p>Staffing update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs Townsen leaves 13/10/23. Rachel Malone will join P3 on a temporary basis until June 2024, thus consistent for P3. • Natasha from ELC has been appointed as a permanent senior staff member. • ELC cut by 0.2 • Mrs Jett Patterson Sloss will join ELC on a temporary supply basis till Summer 2024. <p>School Role:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 32 P7 have left, intake of 20 into P1. • Current school role 198. • Additional 0.1 FTE created allowing Ms Landon to work on school improvement plan projects. <p>School improvement plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1) Raising attainment for all learners in literacy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ teachers & pupils to engage in encoding, decoding terminology ○ Bookbug ○ Reading for enjoyment. • 2) Raising attainment for all learners in Numeracy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consistent approaches. ○ Number talks to be revisited. ○ Context focus. Application of number 	<p>Full copy of school improvement plan can be viewed at: SIP-2023-2024-Final.pdf (glowscotland.org.uk)</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Use of concrete, pictorial & abstract materials ● 3) Supporting welfare of pupils and families. ○ Cost of school day ○ Attendance ○ Developing young workforce. ○ STEM week. ○ Transition 	
Cluster meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Menu updates were discussed but due to food allergies, the authority preference appears to be a "medical diet". ● Duke of Edinburgh presentation from Jacqueline Blair. ● Lyndsay McRoberts discussed "Do less but do it well" ● Proposal for Troon nursery to be relocated to Troon library site. ● Proposal for additional pupil support base in Dalmilling. ● Cluster priorities discussed regarding "Family first". This would require equity funding, Team around pupil, inclusion teacher and small steps referrals. 	
New roles within parent council.	<p>The parent council now consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Lynda Hardman - Chairperson ○ James McEwan - Treasurer. ○ Kathryn Limond & Nicole McIllwraith - Secretaries. (joint role) ○ Karen Nicol - Vice chairperson. <p>Members went to vote and appointments were agreed unanimously.</p>	
Fundraising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Morrisons bag pack was successful and could be repeated. This contributed £10 per pupil to leavers hoodies. ● Pumpkin competition discussed and agreed to be held as a 1-day event as there were issues with pumpkins rotting. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Halloween disco 3/11/23 - no DJ to cut costs. Pupils asked to bring hamper donation rather than entry fee. Tuckshop will be available. • Fireworks round table 4/11/23. • Dance event to take place on 7/11/23 (drone filming at a later date) • Christmas cards to go ahead as usual. • Chocolate lollies to be confirmed. • Christmas fayre to go ahead on 1/12/23 (afternoon) • Discussion regarding pantomime every 2 years (in school) 	<p>Parent council asked to help with supervision of disco.</p> <p>Parental letter / email to go out asking parents to assist round table with bucket donations at fireworks event.</p> <p>Newsletter to include dates for fundraising events.</p>
Outdoor learning & playground committee consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All agreed playground is in need of some form of upgrading. • Playground committee keen to support fundraising in conjunction with parent council for upgrades. • Possibility of consulting pupils/ parents for realistic ideas and support. • 3-year plan proposed with year 1 looking at achievable toy boxes and outdoor games such as balls & ropes. • Parental helpers could be an option to explore. • Outdoor learning opportunities could be explored to utilise the spaces effectively. 	
Chair report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer fayre was a huge success. Excellent feedback was received from parents, pupils & staff. Summer fayre raised £3000. • Bi-annual disco was successful and will run again with minor changes. • Sponsored events were highly supported and lucrative. • Christmas cards will run again. • School photographs will be done in house again rather than through tempest as there was a big cost saving that was passed on to parents. • New to you clothes swap has been a great success and is improving year on year with additions such as Halloween costumes and now in conjunction with the micah project. 	

	Farewell	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lindsay Wood stepped down from her role as chair of the parent council for the last 6 years. She was thanked for her service and dedication to the parent council. Lindsay said she would keep in touch and thanked the members for their support in her role.	
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