

COYLTON PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL

MINUTE OF MEETING

21st OCTOBER 2020 AT 7PM VIA ZOOM



	ACTION
1. Welcome, attendees & apologies <u>Attendees</u> Lorna McIntyre (Chair), Joanne Neil (Minutes), Donna Shimmons, Fiona Donnelly, Louise Dempster, Hazel Murray, Kirsty Murdoch, Bonita Rathore, Shala Montgomery, Christine Miller, Gillian Ramsay, Margaret Howat <u>Apologies</u> Lynsay Murdoch, Ann Kennedy, Michele Martin, Pamela Campbell, Elisa Mackie, Rachael Madeley, Ali Watkins, Heather Kerr, Kayleigh Martin, Kay Clark.	
2. Minutes of last meeting No Amendments received. Approved – Louise Dempster Seconded – Bonita Rathore	
3. Chairperson's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">Positive COVID case in School earlier in October. Lorna communicated with the School prior to October holidays regarding information being issued to the Parents.Parent Council Newsletter ready to be issued this weekSchool Uniforms left from Clothes Bank. Lorna has collected and made an inventory. Many items brand new. Potentially to be distributed via a Facebook shop.South Ayrshire Chairs Meeting, next meeting will be November 2020. Looking for a consultation group to be developed to look at Mental Health. Parent representatives requested. Ayr Academy Chair – Ingrid McCormack has been selected as a representative.Cost of Zoom reviewed by Lorna – Found to be too expensive, therefore we will continue with the current system.	
4. Head Teacher's Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mrs Donnelly thanked Lorna and the Parent Council for their support in relation to the Communication issued to the Parents regarding the positive COVID case prior to October holidays.Weekly Newsletter/Round up continues to be issued from Mrs Donnelly on Friday.Homework will commence on Monday 26th October. Grids to be uploaded onto Teams. Homework will include Literacy and Numeracy. Homework will be online and paper based on alternate weeks. Completed homework can be uploaded via Teams for children in P5-P7.	

- Information to be reissued on Friday regarding accessing and setting up Teams.
- Information on how to access Education City and Sumdog will be issued to all Parents very soon along with Children's passwords.
- Staffing – EYPs in P1a and 1b to continue to the end of the School year. Natasha Duncan is new in post in P1b.
- New School Assistants started within the School to support individual children.
- Lauren Young has the new COVID recovery position.
- Connie Miller is the new EYP – starting in November 2020 on a permanent basis. The post is being filled on a temporary basis at present.
- New School role is 271.
- **Halloween** – Children are allowed to dress up if they wish on Friday 30th October. All Learning activities to be linked to Halloween. The school have purchased a Trick or Treat Bag to be issued to all pupils on the day (EYC-P7).
- **Christmas** – EYC – P3 will be able to watch FIB panto live. Props (Hats etc) to be issued to the School prior to the day. Takeaway Theatre (Robin Hood and his Socially Distanced Merry Men) video to be purchased from this local company for all classes to access. Virtual Santa has been arranged.
Every class will have a Christmas Film afternoon as an alternative to a Christmas Party. Selection boxes to be purchased for all Children from the Parent Council.
Christmas Jumper Day – Children are welcome to wear Christmas Jumpers throughout December.
Christmas Lunches – To be arranged over 2 days to allow all children access to the Dining Hall P1-P3 and P4-P7.
EYC – Christmas Nativity to go ahead in 2 groups. A and B. To be recorded for parents to access via social media.
- Donation to South Ayrshire Toy Bank to be arranged from Staff at Cowlton Primary. Mrs Donnelly to link with Shala.
- P7 to record Christmas Stories to be played to EYC and P1.
- Christmas Crafts to be created within school, non- fundraising.
- **Children In Need** – 13th November 2020. Discussion to take place, Possibility of a dress down day.

5. Treasurer's Reports

Current Balance £1235.31

Easy Fundraising – Only 1 New Supporter since September.

Shala posting information via Social Media to encourage increased participation on Easy Fundraising.

AOB

6. Ayrshire Roads Alliance

– Kirsty Murdoch has been in contact with Roads Alliance on behalf of the Parent Council.

Outline Proposals have been circulated to the Parent Council Group prior to the Meeting.

No facility to store bikes/scooters currently. Preferably would be undercover.

Kirsty to formulate a response on behalf of the Parent Council.

Concerns around the proposed changes to the School Car Park due to number of School buses which require to enter and exit the car park on a daily basis. Further concerns around reduced parking towards Hillhead end

and the effect this will have on the parking at the other end of the village in already very congested.

Shala to post the plans and storyboard onto the Parent Council Facebook page.

7. Fundraising – 200 Club – Only 10 Entries so far. Not viable to continue unless there is increased participation. To be included in the Newsletter this week. Consideration to be given to issuing a paper copy in the future.

Gift Ideas to purchase:

- **Personalised Tea Towels**
- **Reusable Bags (Current stock in School)**
- **Calendars**

Lorna to construct an order form.

Christmas Raffle – Hazel Murray is Co-ordinating.

Licence to be arranged with South Ayrshire Council, allowing us to use pre-printed Raffle Tickets.

Need to approach local businesses to ask for Support. Hazel to share a list of businesses which usually support our Christmas Baazar via the Parent Council WhatsApp group.

Suggestion of having guess the number of sweets in the jar/guess bear/reindeers birthday for Children in the School.

Virtual Fundraising Event to be considered again in the New Year.

8. School Uniform Commission – To be discussed at the next meeting. Currently no further update available.

9. Deputy Head Teacher Maternity Cover – Likely to be out to advert in November 2020. Interviews via Microsoft Teams or Skype. Lorna is able to be included in the interview process which is likely to require 2 parent representatives

10. Louise Dempster to share Amazons fundraising initiative to be compared with the Easy Fundraising currently supported by the Parent Council to be considered.

11. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 18th November at 7pm via Zoom