**Straiton Primary School Parent Council Meeting**

**Tuesday 6th November 2018**

**Sederunt:** A. Hardy, C-A. Dunlop (treasurer), S. Rowden (secretary), L. McWhirter,

G. Bacon, L. Candlish (head teacher) and K. Kidd (chair).

**1 Welcome and apologies**

Karen welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies had been received from B. Connolly,

J. Williams and P. Rowden

**2 Minutes of last meeting**

The minutes were approved.

**3 Matters arising**

Ratified members of the Parent Council are: Karen Kidd, Robbie Kidd, Carol-Ann Dunlop, Craig Gilmour, Sara Rowden, Paul Rowden, Andy Hardy, Isla Cruickshanks, Jennifer Williams, Scott Colquhoun, Rhiannon Colquhoun.

**4 Correspondence**

Nil.

**5 Head teacher’s report**

**i Pupil numbers** – possibility of 3 new pupils for primary and 1 for nursery.

**ii Dates** – all key dates are in the newsletter. A flyer with Christmas dates will be issued shortly.

**iii Goods for Christmas** – school tea towels were displayed and admired. These will be on sale at the Christmas Fayre. A copy of the calendar will also be on display at the fayre and orders will be taken.

**iv** Santa will visit on 14th December. Parents will be contacted about choice of gift.

**v Fundraising** – Big Breakfast and Community Cuppa are both successful events.

**vi RNLI** – Robert McMaster, the regional lifesaving manager will visit on Friday 9th November and will also facilitate a visit to the lifeboat in Girvan.

**vii Culzean outing** – this will be on 27th November.

**viii Dojo** – Still under review by SAC. In the meantime this form of communication cannot be used.

**ix Community Cuppa** – Suggestion that the children use their cooking skills to provide the goodies for this event.

**x Residential** – There was discussion about the difficulty of a three year rota for the residential stay. Inverclyde and Dumfries House are both high quality accommodation and experiences. Other places are more expensive but the quality of the experience is not so good. It was thought that it was better to stick with two places even if it meant that pupils would visit one of them twice.

**xi Show time** - to shorten the evening for the children, the Christmas Show will start at 6.30 rather than 7pm.

**6 Funds** - £597.04, including the £300 received from the Fun Day committee.

Wish list – staff are looking at literacy materials.

**7 Christmas events**

Christmas Fayre – Sara will sort out a rota for the day.

Santa gifts – Carol-Ann will organise the buying of the gifts. Limit of £10 per present.

Postal service – Jen has intimated that she is willing to organise this event. It will go ahead so long as sufficient people are available for deliveries.

**8 AOCB** – Whist drive on 2nd March 2019.

In answer to a query about staffing, Liz replied that Miss Carroll will be at Straiton from Monday to Thursday.

**9 Date of next meeting**

22nd January 2019

Meeting closed at 8.05pm

Jeanette Heggs

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