

# Clovenfords Parent Council

## Minutes of the Meeting

<b>Date</b>	<b>30 May 2023</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>Microsoft Teams</b>

<b>1.</b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>Action</b>
	Committee: Katie Finlay, Ashley Sharp, Isla Young, Caroline Myles Miss Skinner, Mrs Davie, Lynn Bertram, Karen Seaton, Samantha Kellock, Fiona Bayne, Alison Lowrie	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Apologies Received</b>	
	Julie Decoteau, Leanne Wilson, Alison Saxon.	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Approval of previous minutes</b>	
	No changes needed, approved.	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Matters arising from previous minutes</b>	
	None.	
<b>5.</b>	<b>Financial Report</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• £1,004 raised from May Fair and plant sale money will be added to this for final total</li><li>• Julie's Kitchen grant update<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Since last meeting, we purchased the greenhouse, picnic bench and replaced planters</li><li>○ Funds will be completely used by end of school year</li></ul></li><li>• £2,712 in the bank account</li><li>• Asda green tokens<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ £400 award coming</li><li>○ To be used for outdoor learning of some form</li></ul></li></ul>	IY
<b>6.</b>	<b>Headteacher Report</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Developing Young Workforce focus fortnight<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Very successful; around 50 people visited the school</li><li>○ Plans to develop next year, including opportunities for classes to develop enterprises</li><li>○ Having a follow-on event with Developing Young Workforce Borders in June</li></ul></li><li>• Class trips<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ P7 residential was success and same is provisionally booked for next year as well</li><li>○ Using Parent Pay will allow people to pay for the residential in smaller amounts of £30-35 monthly</li><li>○ P5s been to Borders Countryside Day</li></ul></li></ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ P6s went to the Inspire Learning Festival</li> <li>○ P1s and P2s are visiting a local farm</li> <li>● Upcoming events and experiences <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dogs Trust coming to visit P3s-P6s</li> <li>○ Live Music Now Scotland are bringing a harpist to do a concert for P3s-P6s</li> <li>○ Kids are enjoying afterschool football clubs and thanks to Mr Bertram, Miss Jeffrey and Mr Kellock for helping run these</li> <li>○ Transition plans have been developed for P7s to Gala Academy and ELC to P1</li> <li>○ Sports Day being planned and recruiting volunteers</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Around £150 was raised in addition to May Fair funds; to be confirmed by Miss Skinner and shared with PC</li> <li>● New Gala Academy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Education Scotland visited P6s and P7s to tell them about the plans</li> <li>○ Took views and feedback from students</li> </ul> </li> <li>● End of session parent survey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Coming out in next few weeks</li> <li>○ Asking for feedback and considering other ways to keep parents informed about what is going on in school, e.g. Showbie</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Miss Skinner
<b>7.</b>	<b>Clovenfords Community Council Update</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● School was involved with orchard planting and continue to communicate with Mrs Saxon and school re developments and involvement</li> <li>● They have design plans for a new, accessible bridge to the football pitch and will explore funding opportunities for this</li> <li>● There was a discussion that the Village Fair is a separate committee to Community Council; unfortunately, the Fair isn't happening this year because the committee doesn't have enough volunteers</li> </ul>	
<b>8.</b>	<b>Fundraising</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● May Fair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Big thank you to everyone who helped and made it successful</li> <li>○ Taking feedback on board for when we do one again and will consider not charging entry</li> <li>○ Tesco donated burgers and hot dogs</li> <li>○ Need more organised volunteers so that people can have break from stalls</li> <li>○ Generally, more streamlined and more ideas for future</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Ideas for spending funds</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Have received only 16 responses from parent survey</li> <li>○ School is keen for an outdoor classroom, gazebo, covered area for learning, so we will be looking at raising ~£1,500 for this</li> <li>○ Trim Track will be removed by Community Payback Scheme (Unpaid Work Team) and we have sourced more tyres that will be put in the play area over summer holiday; we will consider a climbing frame or something similar as replacement in future</li> <li>● Fundraising events for next school year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Halloween Disco is scheduled for 27<sup>th</sup> October; Alison Lowrie and others have already volunteered to lead on that</li> <li>○ Christmas Fair scheduled for 1<sup>st</sup> December; Katie and Isla to lead on getting operator's license and can plan more in new school year</li> <li>○ Family Pub Quiz night – looking at 21<sup>st</sup> September; Ashley Sharp to lead with support from Callum Clement as quiz master</li> <li>○ Nursery to run a Welly Walk sponsorship fundraiser in September; Ashley Sharp to support teachers with that</li> <li>○ Mrs Davie to get details for Cash 4 Kids and shoebox appeal to Katie to discuss something for students to be involved with Christmas donations</li> <li>○ Isla to check with Leanne Wilson regarding template for calendar fundraiser that PC did in past</li> <li>○ Isla to start process for Christmas card fundraiser in new school year</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>KF and Committee</p> <p>IY</p> <p>AL</p> <p>KF and IY</p> <p>ASharp</p> <p>ASharp</p> <p>Mrs Davie</p> <p>IY</p> <p>IY</p>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Class Representatives Questions and Feedback</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Karen raised question from parent about concerns with needing to buy two pairs of shoes when children are asked to have a separate pair at school. For safety in winter, snow days it is necessary for children to not wear wet shoes indoors, and for nursery students this is part of their transition and independence. Any cheap plimsole or shoe is fine, and parents are welcome to put shoes from home into school bags on the days when more than one pair is required. School will also consider messaging around this.</li> <li>● Karen has asked for library volunteer(s) for 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Katie will post on Facebook.</li> <li>● Discussed getting Clothingfords donations for Halloween costumes and Christmas clothing.</li> </ul>	<p>KF</p>



	<p>confirm it's suitable for any dietary requirements. PC can consider purchasing ice lolly trays so that students can make them in future.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The children are learning and singing the Braw Lads songs and will have the visit with them at school. Alison Lowrie is going to pass on contacts for Selkirk Common Riding so that school can invite the Standard Bearer for a visit next year.</li> <li>• Currently Schools Out can't run Breakfast and Afterschool Clubs every day because there are not enough children to cover costs. If you are needing or wanting to change childcare arrangements, please consider getting in touch with them and using this service.</li> </ul>	AL and school
<b>11.</b>	<b>Date of next meeting</b>	
	The plan is to have the AGM in conjunction with Meet the Teacher event. School is confirming calendar for next year and then the dates and plans will be confirmed.	School and Committee