

## Mid Yell Junior High School Parent Council AGM 29 August 2024

Present - T. Fraser (Chair), M Lawson, M Coutts, J Thomson (vice-chair), V Johnson, J Kelman, J Lyth (clerk) , L Tulloch joined briefly via messenger

1. Apologies - K Brown, L Cunningham, A Meudell, G Cook
2. Appoint new members -
  - Members eligible to stand down are: Jill Thomson & Lynsay Cunningham
  - New member added:
  - There are no co-opted members.
3. Appoint Chairperson and Vice Chairperson - Jill Thomson nominated Tammie Fraser as Chairperson, Vicky Johnson seconded. Tammie Fraser nominated Jill Thomson as Vice-chair, Jude Kelman seconded.
4. Minutes from the last AGM - were distributed before the meeting as a reminder, these were approved.

### 5. Head Teachers Report

#### Staffing

- Jude Kelman, has been selected as our Home Economics Instructor
- Gemma Feeney has been selected as the preferred candidate for our ASN and Primary teacher post.
- Mary Rosie has been selected as the preferred candidate for our ELC practitioner role - 1 day per week. As Mary is on maternity leave she will start this post next year. In the meantime Kerry Brown, who was the reserve candidate will be covering for us.

#### Budgets

- This year we have a budget of :-
  - ELC - £950 (£1,966 for snack/milk)
  - Primary - £2420 ( £1960 in 2023, up by £460)
  - Secondary - £3925 (£4850 in 2023, down by £925)
  - Exam Fees - £3171 (£3171 in 2023, same as 2023)
  - PEF - Primary £6,125, Secondary £8,575, Carry over from last year £3,375
  - PEF total - £18,075
- We will need to be sourcing other funding to maintain the same service.

#### School Improvement Plan

- Summary document has been created - Share
- This will be shared with parents next week
- Working groups re-organised - focus on one whole school activity at a time

#### P6/7 Primary School Trip

- Loch Insh - April/ May 2025 - still need confirmation
- All primaries from the North isles
- Cost to families £200 if we do lots of fundraising - [would appreciate any ideas for fundraising](#)
- Applications for funding to various agencies again
- Parent Council need to support/make certain applications

- Also need to check with Jamieson's if they can still do these trips

### **SQA results**

- On the whole it was another very good set of results for our individual pupils
- Staff are in the process of analysing these in order to identify any changes/developments that may be required
- Summary is available

### **Building Maintenance**

- All our lights were changed over the holidays to LED lights
- One of the glass panels at the top of the stairs shattered last weekend, this is being investigated

### **School meals**

- New system to be brought in next week, details are a bit unclear
- Hoping that pupils will have a bit of say in some of the dishes

### **Other Items**

- Occasional Holiday - Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May
- Pupil council re-vamp - will now meet once a month
- We seem to have had a good start to the term, we are getting good feedback from visitors

## **6. Chairperson's report.**

The last year has been eventful and busy. The Parent Council appreciate all that happens in school and we are very thankful to all the staff and pupils for continuing to make a Mid Yell JHS a high achieving, vibrant school with a very welcoming atmosphere.

There have been a few fundraising initiatives this year with a couple of Power balls. With a good amount of money raised the PC continues to support the school with providing fruit to all the children and have started helping with the Breakfast Club. Some money will also go into a pot for School trips.

The continued support of families and the community not only helps us as a committee but the school as a whole, so thanks go to everyone and we look forward to future events that we can all get involved with.

## **7. Treasurers Report**

Last financial year we began with £3,066.26 in the bank at 1.4.23 and £183.51 in the fruit cash tin. We got a small grant of £55 from SIC to cover the cost of printing. We closed the year at 31.03.24 with £4,382.26 in the bank and £61.03 in the cash tin.

The cost of fruit for the school academic year from Aug 23 - Jul 24 was £888.25 (slightly higher than the previous year). We did the Powerball at the Open night in November 23 which raised a net profit of £950 and we did a raffle for a hamper which raised £271.

In this current financial year we did the powerball at the open night which has given us a net profit of £1,390 which is to go towards the Primary trip.

The current financial position is:

Bank balance £5,494.06 of which £1,986.82 is ring fenced for the fighting fund, £1,125.04 for fruit, £1390 for the trip, leaving a general fund of £992.20 and a further £18.63 in the fruit cash tin.

8. Other Items

- Lottery license - we will need to apply for this to carry on doing the draws. Members agreed to this.
- Shopping Night 21 November - members discussed whether to do another powerball to be drawn on shopping night and thought this would be a good idea. Also do another hamper raffle on the night.
- Occasional holiday - proposed Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025, members discussed and agreed.
- New meal system was discussed. Feedback about meals currently seems positive.

9. A.O.C.B -

Date of next meeting: TBC