

**Whiteness Primary School Parent Council Meeting held at the Whiteness
Primary School & Microsoft Teams on 11th November 2024 at 6.30pm**

Present:

Stewart Somerville (Chair)
Moraig Lyall (Councillor)
Rachel Colclough (Head Teacher)
Paula Somerville (Clerk)
Rebecca Waldie (Parent Member)
Diane Forsyth (Staff Member)
Jessica Sales (Parent Member)
Dawn Smith (Vice Chair)
Shona Sim (Parent Member)
Darren Silver (Treasurer)

Apologies

Davie Sandison (Councillor)
Catherine Hughson (Councillor)
Monica Moncrieff (Parent Member)

1. Welcome and Apologies

Stewart welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were noted from Davie Sandison, Catherine Hughson and Monica Moncrieff.

2. Approval of Previous Meeting

The previous minutes from the AGM and meeting held on 16th September 2024 were approved with amendments by Dawn and seconded by Diane.

3. Matters arising from previous meeting

A discussion was held regarding raising funds for the Parent Council at the Christmas Enterprise event which is being held on the 3rd of December. The group agreed to sell cake boxes and raffle tickets. They also considered providing tea, coffee and juice. The Parent Council will discuss this further on their group chat on Facebook. A discussion was also held regarding having a soft play area at the event however there is limited space and may be health and safety issues with this.

Feedback from the first Aid training held in October was very positive.

Diane confirmed that the P1/2 class were really benefiting from the additional Dandelion Launcher books the Parent Council had funded.

Dawn highlighted the excellent inspection reports published regarding the school. The group praised all the staff for their hard work.

Dawn added that if there was any issues with getting staff on the Child Protection training she could assist with this.

4. Head Teacher's Report

The report was shared with all attendees. See report detailed below:

Head teacher report to Parent Council 11 November 2024

Leadership and Management

- We have welcomed Linsley Hay back into Early Years as our Senior Practitioner.

Learning provision

- P345 have completed their swimming block and P12 have just started
- P6 and 7 enjoyed a trip on the Swan and a visit to the Fisheries College in September.
- P567 have all completed the Young Emergency First Aid Award

Successes and achievements

- Our annual coffee morning raised money for Mind Your Head in October
- Pupils enjoyed sharing their learning in our Term 1 music assembly

5. Parents Evening Creche

Rachel queried if the Parent Council could provide a crèche at the next parents evenings being held on 20th November (3.30pm – 5.30pm) and 21st November (5.30pm – 7.30pm). The group were hopeful they could assist. Once a rota has been established to staff the crèche Stewart will confirm this with Rachel.

6. AOB

There is £454.46 in the Parent Council bank account. Darren will clarify the cash held at the next meeting. Darren will also provide a copy of the audit of the accounts.

Darren to assist Stewart and Dawn to be added as signatories to the Parent Council bank account.

7. Next Meeting

The next Parent Council meeting will be held on 03.02.25.