



Parent Council Meeting

Wednesday 7th June 2023

Held in-person at the school

1. Welcome, Apologies, Previous Minute and Opening Remarks (ES)

Present: Mrs Susanne Sandilands (SS), Mrs Elizabeth O'Neil (EO'N), Emma Sharp (ES) (Chairperson), Leanne Murdoch (LM) (Secretary), Aileen Patterson (AP), Neil McCallum (NMCC), Leesa McCue (LMC), Anja Schone (AS), Gordon Brough (GB) (Treasurer).

Apologies: Ashley Middleton (AM), Ashley Rafferty (AR), Councillor Katy Loudon (KL)

- ES welcomed everyone to the Parent Council meeting.
- Thanks were given to everyone for attending, with gratitude expressed to all school staff for their continued support to the children and their families.
- ES gave a recap of recent events held which included Hallside's got Talent, Sports Day, Friends of Hallside Summer Fayre and World of Work week.
- No amendments to be made to the minutes of the last meeting.

2. Head Teachers report (SS)

- See appended report.
- SS advised that there will be a transition program in place for all classes to get them familiar with their new classroom, class mates and class teacher
- SS advised of pupil numbers for classes.
- There will be composite classes for Primaries 6 and 7 (P5/6 and P6/7).

3. Councillor's reports (KL)

- Email update provided via email:
"Hi Emma,

Thanks for sending this over. Unfortunately I'm not going to make it over tonight, but I hope your meeting goes well.

A few quick things to share -

Weather dependent, the Nurture are going to have a kite festival in Cambuslang Park on Sunday 2-6pm.

A bit further out, but it's Landemer on Rutherglen Main Street on Saturday morning, and then of course Summerfest on Cambuslang Main Street the week after.

Grow 73 are having an event in Overtoun Park in Rutherglen this Sunday too - bring your own picnic, live music, a storyteller and family activities from 12-4pm.

Hopefully this good weather will continue for all of that, or at least it won't be pouring!

The other bit of news from the last agenda is unfortunately my group were outvoted at full council, and the full 114% rise for sports clubs is going to be staged over 21 months. We're obviously very disappointed with that, but will support the clubs where we can.

I hope everyone had a lovely holiday, and please let me know if there's anything I can do or pick up.

Take care,

Katy”

4. Friends of Hallside (SS)

- FOH hosted a summer fayre on Saturday 3rd June from 11am – 2pm.
- Lots of parents provided help on the day to man stalls.
- Event was a success with monies being generated that will benefit the school pupils.
- FOH are meeting regularly and minutes from the last meeting have been typed up and will be available from the school website.
- SS advised that discussion had taken place re: the facebook post that had adverted this event prior to it being formally communicated to the school community. Apologies were given from the individual who did this, the intention was to raise awareness of the event rather than cause any upset to members of the Parent Council/ former members of FOH.

5. Fundraising sub group (LM, ES, AS)

- The funding sub group have not managed to meet but two funding application have been submitted.
- Both applications have been successful.
- SLC Sustainability grant has been awarded for £2,500. The application made was for funds to allow the school to purchase bikes and provide Bike Ability training to school pupils. Due to issues with the HPC bank account, this money has not yet been paid into the HPC account.
- Tesco application will appear in 3 local Tesco stores where shoppers will vote for 3 communities initiatives via blue coin tokens. There is potential for the school to be awarded one of three amounts - £1,500, £1,000 or £500. This money will go towards a school garden.
- The school office will send out an email to the school community to advise them of this opportunity and encourage customers to vote for the school.
- ES and GB are having difficulties with changing the bank signatories and an in-branch visit is needed. It was suggested that it may be easier to open up a new account.
- The group currently comprise of ES, LM, AM and Anja Schone (AS). New members are welcome to join.
- AS is the link between the group and the school, namely SS and the pupil council.
- AS had attended a Pupil Council meeting and was given a list of priorities from the Pupil Council. Funding grants are being progressed to reflect pupils priorities.
- AS suggested enlisting the help of the school community to help with tasks such as setting up gardening clubs, helping repair bikes, building a wooden beam in the gym hall.

6. P1 Induction (SS/ES)

- This will take place on Wednesday 14th June at 1.30pm.
- Emma has emailed FOH to see if they would like to attend this event and awaits a response.

- LM will check her diary to see if she can attend the induction to assist ES to speak about HPC and FOH but suggested that she would be happy for another member of HPC to attend in place of herself.

7. AOB

- SS advised that she anticipates an inspection next year and she is keen for the support of HPC chair to assist with this.
- ES had indicated her wish to step down as chair after 2 successful years.
- LM also happy to step down as Secretary if other parents would like to take on this role.
- Duty bearers will be discussed at the AGM in September/ October 2023.

8. Date of next meeting

- Wednesday 6th September at 6.30 pm in Hallside Primary School.



HAVE AN AMAZING SUMMER HOLIDAY AND WE WILL SEE EACH OTHER IN THE NEXT SCHOOL TERM.

Hallside Primary School **Parent Council Meeting 07.06.23** **Headteacher Report**



Welcome

A warm welcome to everyone.

The current roll of the school is 265 children across 10 classes. The projected roll of the school for session 2023-2024 is 265 children across 10 classes. We have a staffing entitlement of 12.9 plus 0.7 permanent, plus 0.4 temporary additionality (Early Level) so staffing entitlement of 14.0 fte.

The current configuration that we are working to is:

P1a - 22 children (Ms Luciana Belardo and Mrs Susan MacDonald)

P1b - 21 children (Mrs Karen Byrne)

P2 - 23 children

P3 - 30 children

P3/4 – 14 P3 children and 11 P4 children

P4 – 30 children

P5 – 33 children

P5/6 – 8 P5 children and 16 P6 children

P6/7 – 21 P6 children and 4 P7 children

P7 – 30 children

Currently, working on configurations within the parameters of maximum class sizes and composite class guidance. As always, at this time of year the class configuration is subject to change. We are delighted to welcome NQT to teaching staff team next session, we will formally meet the new member of the team next week at official event in the Banqueting Hall. We will hold a transition event for all children over the next weeks.

School Community Events

Lovely to welcome families to Hallside Sports' Day. Fantastic, inclusive event. A huge thank you to Mr Bamford for organising and our families for supporting this event. All of our children were fantastic. We celebrated lots of achievements last week with Hallside's Got Talent being a highlight for children and staff. Well done to our Pupil Council for organising under the guidance of Mr Bamford.

I had the privilege of attending Cathkin High School S1 Awards Ceremony last week. How wonderful to see every S1 pupil receive an award and a lovely opportunity to reconnect with our former pupils and their families.

A massive thank you to Miss MacDonald for organising a wonderful World of Work Week.

With three weeks until the end of term we are exceptionally busy, planning P1 induction (Mrs Byrne visiting nurseries), supporting P7 transition and preparing leavers' ceremony and party, additional support plan meetings, professional review and development meetings for staff and analysing assessment results in pupil progress meetings to confidently submit Achievement of a Level Data at P1, P4 and P7 stages. We are also analysing our pupil, parent/carer and staff survey results and school data and evidence to write our Standards and Quality Report for this session and plan our School Improvement for next session.

Budget

Pupil Equity Fund spend as planned except for PB element. FOH offered to subsidise this so that the school community could go on a school trip. However, it has not been possible to secure transport. Alternative ideas e.g. end of term fun day.

Can I formally thank the Parent Council for their support throughout the year. We are very lucky as a school to have such a supportive group. Time and commitment to supporting our children, their families and the staff team is very appreciated.

End of HT Report

Welcome any comments, questions or suggestions.

"When we work together everything is within our reach."

