

## **Tinto Primary School – Parent Council Meeting Minutes 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

Held in school and online

Apologies for absence – Jean Lyon, Sinead Lavery, Alistair Reid, Helen Thornborrow, Mary Grant, Wil Watson, Lynsey Miller

Attendees - Claire Thomson, Susan Lawrie, Alex Stark, Elaine Taylor, Rebecca Lyon, Lisa Devlin, Jennifer Sloan, Karie Gray, Joanna Paterson, Danielle

Online – Gayle McPhail, Lynne Waine

### **Minutes From Last Meeting**

Approved

### **Treasurer Report**

- Currently £3,583.90 in account
  - Have purchased a c-touch since last update.
  - In August we can look to purchase another c-touch and possible some chromebooks

Alistair has intimated that he will be stepping down as treasurer in September.

### **Grants Update**

Local community council grant application has been submitted for a new shed to store the nursery bikes.

### **Tinto Fund Raising**

- Village Day – Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June
  - Raised £775
- Shorts and Shades Discos – Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June
  - Reminder on App, children to bring water bottles.
  - Giving away hotdogs to P4-7s to use up leftovers from village day. Alex will check re allergies. Claire will take responsibility.
  - DJ – To confirm
  - Hall Let – confirmed
  - £60 Float
  - Need parent helpers (to be PVG checked)
  - Nursery – 4-5pm – Sinead, Danielle, Jacqui, Lynne
  - P1-3 5.15pm – 6.30pm – Sinead, Elaine, Danielle
  - P4-7 – 7pm – 9pm - Rebecca, Claire, Elaine, Karie
- P7 Leavers – Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 1pm
  - Strawberries & cream – Sinead
  - Karie & Rebecca to serve
  - Plastic Glasses, cups, napkins, spoons
  - Need an idea of numbers
  - Claire will bring gazebo

### **Head Teachers Report**

- Report circulated.
- Staffing/Classes – letters issued yesterday to parents. Step up day on Thursday.
- Improvement plan – keeping writing in for a 3<sup>rd</sup> year as all teachers are moving stages.
  - Anti Racism – next step to build on it with staff.
  - AI – training over the next year for all teachers on AI.
  - Expressive arts – next year will be dance & drama
  - Sustainability will be a focus for nursery.
- Transitions
  - School step up day on Thursday
  - P7 visits to high school were successful
  - Nursery to P1 transitions are going well. Children all seem calm.
- Parent evaluations
  - Discussed comments at length. Need to focus on positives without ignoring negatives
- PEF fund – Children have given various ideas, detailed in report.
- Thanks to parent council for fundraising, support and discussions at the meetings.

### **AOB**

- Local Councillor was invited to the meeting but no response.
- PVG Checks for parent council, will be needed for discos etc. Discussed the possibility of needing a first aider at each event too.
- Community Council Meetings 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month except July/August and December. 19<sup>th</sup> May (changed from 26<sup>th</sup>) – Jennifer attended.
  - Clothing bin which the school will benefit from. Don't know when it will be delivered
  - No pavement parking allowed in village
  - Looking for ideas of events to hold in village hall
  - 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Claire will attend.

School App – discussed whether it's worthwhile paying for. Discussed WhatsApp Communities.

Parent council – membership list. There was a couple of negative comments on school questionnaire about parent council. To clarify - meetings are open to whole parent forum, anyone can come along to the meetings but we can only have between 5 and 18 members of parent council. Currently at 17, losing 2 members in August.

We could change constitution at AGM to allow more members.

Karie suggested issuing a role description for treasurer to make it less daunting.

### **Lets for next year**

Yoga – 4<sup>th</sup> November and 25<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Discos – 30<sup>th</sup> October, 18<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Parent council meetings for next academic year:

- 16/09/25
- 18/11/25
- 20/01/26
- 03/03/26
- 12/05/26
- 08/06/26 – changed to Monday night to avoid Biggar gala slipper slide.

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – School panto

Tonight would have been Jean's last parent council meeting, now decided to present flowers and a gift at P7 leavers.