

Tinto Primary School – Parent Council Meeting Minutes 18th November 2025

Held in school and online

Apologies for absence – Elaine Taylor, Wil Watson, Lynsey Miller, Alistair Reid, Jacqui Allan, Sinead Lavery

Attendees - Claire Thomson, Susan Lawrie, Alex Stark, Lisa Devlin, Jennifer Sloan, Karie Gray, Joanna Paterson, Danielle Orr, Helen Thornborrow, Rebecca Lyon, Lynne Waine

Online – Marissa Waite, Donna Alexander, Mary Grant, Richard Beedell

Minutes From Last Meeting

Approved

Treasurer Report

- Alistair and Jennifer currently sorting out bank account access
- Currently around £4,200 in account
 - £340.75 made at Halloween Disco
- £205.97 in after school club account
- Request from school for 15 headphones and 15 Mice – approved
- Approx £1000 ring fenced for new c-touch

Grants Update

£1,500 in community grants approved by Symington community council. 3 x £500

Also applied to Thankerton.

Grant ready to go to SSE for approx. £7k

Tinto Fund Raising

- Christmas Fayre – Teas & Coffees, sweet cones, home baking.
 - Karie to ask Tesco for mince pies for concert
- Christmas concerts and P1-4 singalong. Teas & coffees, self serve – donations.
- Shorts and Shades Discos - Chris Cruise will do disco
- Thanks to Karie for Yoga Fundraiser, Raised £160
- Discussed Discos, the P4 to P7 Halloween disco was very busy and the P4s seemed to struggle with the late night. Probably next year need to do P1-4 and P5-7

Head Teachers Report

- Report circulated.
- Improvement plan
 - Writing – peer school review group. Mount Cameron just starting scheme, teachers all compared examples of work.

- Staffing update – 54 applications for P1/2 teacher. Interviewed 7 yesterday. Mrs Cassidy who currently has P1/2 was successful.
 - 2 days vacancy for early years worker – interviews next week.
 - Nursery has had 2 long term absences, area cover has been arranged
 - Mrs MacPhail has been to Glasgow to get her BA in childhood studies today
- Some parents have raised queries over whether children who had behaviour issues during the school day should be allowed to attend discos & after school clubs.
 - For the Halloween disco this year Ms Stark contacted the parents of a few children and they came with their child.
 - Discussed at length, need to have a good partnership with H.T.
 - Could also liaise with other schools in community to see how they deal with it.
 - Plan is to check with Ms Stark before each event
 - Need to make sure there are enough people with PVG checks at each event
- Cost of school day PowerPoint

Next meeting 20th January 2026