



Draft Woodhead Parent Council Tuesday 7th January 2020

Present: Elaine Ferguson, Sheila Moore, Freya Kennedy, Matt Hooper, Scott Lindsay, Claire Fox, Scott Jasnosz-Clark, Councillor John Ross

Apologies: Pamela Shearer, Stephen Lennox

Previous meeting: Sports kit bid, MH has highlighted a number of potential applications and grants and once he has the bank details of the PTA he will progress further with this and feedback at next meeting. Traffic management as yet no clear update, SC to speak to Gordon Turnbull to confirm what has been decided, though it is noted the breakfast club issue of drop off at the door raised at previous meeting has improved.

HT Report: School roll at 345 and SC will update at next meeting after P1 registration week.

Staffing update, number of absences before Christmas which has impacted on the PEF groups as Mrs Keltie has been prioritising classroom time, short term absences all returned so this is no longer an issue.

Building update, drains issue resolved, flooding from Torhead being actioned and continued work to deal with (JR going to check on this), painting and gardening had been delayed by all being actioned to start.

Trial on parents evening online booking system well received by teachers and members of the PC. SC has arranged for a free trial to allow online booking for the next parents night and if it is a success then school will evaluate if it is worth paying for the system to be in place from now on. Some members of PC already experienced with this system and were positive about it being set up and easy to use.

Improvement plan – maths, literacy and health&wellbeing are the 3 priorities, and at the in service day the teachers split into 3 groups to specialise and try new methods etc rather than the whole school concentrating on a single issue. Big improvements in literacy but need to focus on maths now.

Attainment – updating from last meeting as 2018/2019 wasn't available to show the positive impact of PEF funding. All results above national and SLC levels. Numeracy highlighted and steps already in place to work on this as part of the improvement plan.

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Cllr John Ross discussed the issue that Westminster budget dated for 11th march which affects Scottish councils as usually the budget done in March, means the council cant clarify funding for additional projects that might have been being considered. SC said he didn't foresee any issues that might affect Woodhead as he had read through the council proposals.

Next meeting 4th February, Matt Hooper handed in apologies for this.
