

Cambusbarron Primary Parent Council Minutes

Thursday 1st May 2025 – Online Meeting

In Attendance: Farrah Bett (FB), Keiran Meiklejohn (KM), Alayne Finlay (AF), Lisa Nicol (LN), Mark Hill (MH), Danielle Smith (DS), Clare Templeman (CT), Toni Swain (TS) Claire Squires (CS), Emma Archibald (EA)

Apologies: Laura Robertson

Agenda Item	
1.	<p>Minutes/Actions from last meeting (FB)</p> <p>Minutes agreed with no amendments.</p> <p>Actions from previous meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) FB to pull together poster to send out to parents again as reminder about the events FREG hold and what this is used to fund to try and gather support – closed (email sent by CPS 13/05)b) KM is going to look into setting up a 100 club to bring in extra funds – open Action 1: KM to look in to setting this up for Augustc) MH to feedback on response to email to M&M Productions for cost of panto – closed (panto booked)d) KM going to look into Gwen Mayor trust - outstandinge) MH to speak to Janine Rushton (St Ninians HT) to see how the Park & Stride is working at St Ninians – MH liaising with Mrs Dawson (teacher at St Ninians) and meeting in next few weeks to discuss P&Sf) FB to speak to Bowling Club to see if they would be open to this – closed (FB confirmed bowling club happy for car park to be used for Park & Stride)g) FB to contact Ann Finlayson to discuss whether PC could apply to CC for funds for extending trim trail – Action 2: MH going to follow up on this and confirm quotes for repairs to existing trail with Ann and if this can be funded now then to go aheadh) MH to provide update on whether Digital Leaders group can be taken forward in Mr Brown's absence – closed (MH has taken forward the group and now Mr Brown has returned)i) MH to arrange contact between SLA with experience of grant applications and LN – Kirsty Crichton (SLA) has been in touch with LN to offer support for grants/fundingj) MH to chase Stirling Council for copy of updated slides from presentation – still waiting on this although people in SC have been absent Action 3: MH to put provide presentation once received
2.	<p>FREG Update (LN)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Down to just 4 members now (LN, FB, Moira and Jennifer Fraser recently joined)• Getting ready for Spring Fayre. Friends of FREG WhatsApp group has been good for helping to get volunteers and raffle prizes. Quite a few teachers helping out as well which is helping with the volunteers so thanks extended to them. Still require some volunteers and tombola/pre-loved cuddlies donated. Got inflatables again, new games, face painter, local businesses

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applied to Stirling and Bridge of Allan Round Table for grant and were awarded £400 for playground equipment which is being sent to school for spending • Sports Day will have pop-up café again so looking for volunteers and donations • PC will fund ice lollies for sports day again • Quiz night raised £141 • Cambus Bar sales raised over £200
3.	<p>Treasurers Report (KM)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approximately £2000 in bank with all cheques been cashed • £1500 allocated for pantomime so will need to keep this in mind with further expenditure although hoping Spring Fayre will give funds a good boost • Contributed to leavers hoodies and xc bus but there haven't been many other requests from school for funds
4.	<p>Parent Rep Feedback (MH)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No questions raised by year groups in advance • At meeting, query was raised about the recent Stuc Mini race held annually in Strathyre for Stirling primary schools and whether CPS had been invited was aware. Action 4: MH going to look into this and speak to Mrs Cook • Query raised over how much CPS benefitted from PEF (Pupil Equity Fund) – MH advised this was £21000 which essentially funds 1 SLA
5.	<p>School Update (MH)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MH noted that the actions to reduce unsafe parking (cones, repainting, increased presence by MH and DS) seem to be working but they would continue to have a presence before school and would welcome any comments on hot spots/repeat offenders • Validated Self-Evaluation (VSE) – inspection team visited CPS in March and spoke to school leadership team, children, staff, parents/carers etc. The report from this was positive and next steps suggested aligned with those of the leadership team. The feedback from the process will inform the school improvement planning. Details of the report were shared in the March newsletter. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ VSE will continue through the year with working parties looking at how to implement actions from Standards and Quality report. Information on how the school proposes to move forward and why will be shared with parents/carers for feedback • Staffing update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mrs Cook will be on maternity leave for next session – waiting confirmation of who will cover and this will be shared ○ Two new permanent principle teachers have been recruited (Mrs Kirsty Halliday and Mrs Elspeth Morrison) following the decision of Miss Pollock and Mr Brown to return to Class Teacher roles. Principle teachers are classroom committed but have some other duties as extended management team. ○ Not expecting a probationary teacher for next year. UPDATE following meeting – CPS will be hosting a probationary teacher for 2025/26 and are awaiting further information on this.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class composition for next session will be P1, P1/2, P2, P3, P3/4, P4, P5, P6, P6/7, P7. Further details were shared in April newsletter. First transition for full school will be 11th June. School improvement works – email has been sent to Aileen, Zoe and Bryony for progress update and waiting on feedback which will be shared Action 5: MH to share updates from SC on proposals for school
6.	<p>Nursery Update (CT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staffing update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kirsty in post as Nicole's maternity cover – good continuity for kids as was previously in nursery on a Monday Sophie goes on maternity leave in June and they will be filling this post Re-advertising for admin post for remainder of Amy's maternity leave Rachel leaving for a post at Park Drive Wheelie Wednesdays started in September has been really successful with families not usually in on that day coming in and some learners now pedalling. Doing sponsored Bikeathon at Kings Park on 17th May. Money raised will be spent on new helmets and improvements to bike storage area. Planning to have end of year show/party (possibly Zoo Lab) for learners – hoping to fund with any extra from Bikeathon but may come to PC for support for funding (confirmed by KM that unlikely to be an issue with funds)
7.	<p>AOB</p> <p>None raised</p>
8.	<p>Dates of Next Meeting</p> <p>September 2025 – date TBC</p>