

Parent Council Meeting - 06.01.2025

Attendees: Lorna Hardie, Alison McInnes, Leigh Orffer, Kelly Mallarkey and Ruth Donnelly

Apologies: Carly Norris

HT Report:

- SLA – Joanna McCormack left at end of term. SLA position advertised and closed 06.01.2025. Interviews to take place. Temp until end June 2026.
- Miss Atkinson has been successful in acting head position at Kippen primary School. Unknown length of time.
- PE Specialists will be in school this term.
- Kodaly teacher will be in P1 for 5 weeks on Tuesday am. Teaching through music.
- Nicola Orr, speech and language will continue coming in on Wednesdays fortnightly.
- Mandarin teacher, teacher Lee, will continue with P5, P6 and P7 on a Tuesday.
- P6 Parent/Carer assembly – Planned for 31st January (TBC)
- P4 Parent/Carer assembly – Planned for 21st Feb – (TBC)
- Google classroom form – 17 left to collect. Completed classes will get the go ahead to start using Google classroom to share with Parents/Carers.

Financials:

- January balance - £9016.34
- Donations to Nursery and P1-P7 all bought with exception of part of P6.
- £2500 donation from West Fraser is ring fenced for School show/sound system installation.
- 100 or 50 club – investigate whether this is worthwhile to start up again as a money maker in the background. Would need gambling licence.
- Gift wear to sell eg tea towels – worth doing again? This hasn't been done in a while, even if just for P1 and P7 to mark important years?
- Craft idea for PV Summer event?
- Pupils/families to bring into school to make up hampers for raffle and host cake/coffee event to raffle off.

Events:

- Valentines parties – 6th February 2025. P1-3 (5pm until 6.15pm) P4-P7 (6.30-8pm). Younger part to have split session into 3 of craft/snack/games. Mrs Donnelly won't be attending 1st party due to other commitments, will return for second party. Lorna will ask Miss Coyle and Miss Murray if they are able to support.
- Easter stall at Pleans voice event – Guess the eggs in the jar and guess the bunnies date of birth.
- Christmas Parties – 11th December P4, P5, P6 and P7. Party with Disco (booked). Times TBC
- Bedtime story with Santa – Date and times TBC. Nursery, P1, P2 and P3. (Hot choc, pyjamas, story, craft) Parents to attend.

AOB:

- Alison to get more information and update if all members of parent council will need to be PVG checked. This looks like it's coming into force in April 2024.
- Lorna will keep updated on parent council bank account as there may be a change on small organisation bank accounts. If so we will look to change to another bank.
- Lorna to ask Colin Duff reference conversation on holding online safety talks with upper school – after update from Stirling High School not allowing mobile phones in classes/school, the Programme on TV recently with Matt and Emma Willis and general concern around online use and mobile phone access. Ruth may also speak with Andy Edwards reference the same. This could be a pupil and parent session to educate pupils on the dangers of what they share online.