Newton Families Together

Term 3 meeting

Tuesday 18th January Virtual meeting by Google meet

730pm-830pm

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| 1930 | Welcome & Apologies | EO |  |
| 1935 | Approval minutes from last meeting held on 26/10/21 | EO |  |
| 1940 | Action points from last meeting  **Toilets**  Girls P5-7 toilets have had all seats renewed or fixed. Joiner was out in December to fix the panels to ensure they were in the correct place so that the doors lock.  **Assessment Framework** was shared with all parents prior to parental consultations in November. There is a group focusing on Assessment within the school and if there are amendments a new Framework will be shared with parents.  **Lollipop Person – Response from SC**  This post has actually been vacant for approx. 2years, we initially tried to fill it but after several attempts we received no applicants. At the time the existing School Crosser resigned a new crossing point had recently been installed, I believe it’s a zebra crossing. Having a crossing point and a School Crosser actually increases the level of risk as it potentially sends contradictory signals to drivers. For those reasons we are not planning to replace the School Crosser. | GC/EO/LK | Toilets  WhatsApp for new families  Assessment framework ?tbc  Lollipop person |
| 1945 | School 25th Anniversary (1996-2021)  **Update from Alex Guthrie**  Alex has a list of items from the time capsule, and the next step would be to purchase display albums and sort through photographs to add to the collection.  The museum have been in touch and we will arrange a time to set up our exhibition in March, ready for them reopening in April.  Alex currently has Laura, Ashley Robertson mum, Claire Watt, Claire MacLeod and Mary Rennie who have said they would be happy to help.  Current covid regulations mean that we can’t have visitors into school however, we have agreed (just like with the hampers) we could have a person or two people working in the now spare classroom or meeting room - we may also be able to use a church hall.  Alex has written a document to send out to past pupils and staff with information about the time capsule, our plans and a plea to send video footage/information to be compiled into a video to celebrate the 25 year anniversary:  Alex will share this via social media.  Pamela Mackie has agreed to help us to bring any video footage together for us but in the doc Alex has still asked if anyone would like to help with the video, just in case we have a professional video editor as a past pupil.  I think our next step is to plan some form of celebration event for current parent’s staff and pupils, perhaps in June (as late as possible to try to avoid restrictions!). I wonder if there was a parent group who would like to lead this.  We would also like to plan a whole school mini-context for the final few weeks of term, for each class to mark the occasion. It could involve learning about Newton's history, making things for the event, and preparing something to put back into the time capsule to 'leave our legacy'. | LK |  |
| 1950 | Head teachers report / introduction to discussion on homework  Home Learning | LK |  |
| 2000 | Defibrillator | EO/GC |  |
| 2010 | Fundraising update | YW |  |
| 2015 | Staggered start  After school activities  Currently we are still working within national guidance and updates will occur as new guidance is introduced nationally.  At present:  In terms of parents and volunteers:  Guidance still indicates that parents in schools should be minimal. None of our local schools are offering clubs run by parents.  School guidance continues to be different from community sport.  John is very keen on starting extra-curricular clubs before school, at lunchtime and after school. He is happy to run them we will also put this out to staff.  Clubs will need to be within a year group as the guidance still encourages avoiding the mixing of bubbles.  The plan would be a short 3 or 4 week block of each club to give as many year groups a go as possible?  John is happy to run any club that the children are interested in attending - so I will ask the children for their opinions/interests this week.  Unfortunately, it looks like clubs ran by parent volunteers are still unable to take place this term.  I asked about an outdoors running club as Mr Inman was keen, but John said it was really down to the HT to make those decisions based on their view of the guidance. (Although I'm not sure how this differs from the Rugby coaches or Sports Leaders taking year groups outside?)  I asked about other schools and what their extra-curricular activities look like and at the moment, DPS and St Mary’s have none. There are other primary schools in Stirling who have quite a few up and running again and they are all staff led. I will remind staff again that they are allowed to run a club if they wish to.  Lost property  Invited guests | All |  |
| 2025 | AOCB and future meeting date | EO |  |