



Torphichen Primary School
Parent Council Newsletter
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Meeting once a term we get together for discussion; find out what the TPC is planning, a chance to see what's happening in the school and raise any questions. We understand diaries are full but it's always great to see as many parents along as possible as we really appreciate your input.

Next meeting

Wednesday 23rd January 2019 at 6.30pm in the school – everyone welcome! A drop-in session with Mrs Angus is also available from 6pm in the school prior to the meeting starting.

Hope to see you there.

Fundraising

A very important part of the Parent council is fundraising for the school. Anyone can get involved in fundraising with all ideas and help welcomed and appreciated. Previous large projects have included the Playground equipment and more recently Library furniture but we also have paid for smaller items in the past, iPad, books, light and sound and sports equipment etc.

We are talking to the school and new nursery to find out what the wish list is for this year, so far the school have asked us to look into a ceiling mounted projector screen and bracket to mount their projector. This is to allow them to best utilise the dining hall space for other activities and school assemblies.

There will be more projects to come and so watch this space for our upcoming events!

So far this term we have provided support of P7 Risk Factory Visit (paid for bus transport) and P3/4 November trip (also paid for bus transport). Keeping costs down for parents.

Torphichen Christmas Market

A new event that was in the diary this year was the Torphichen Christmas Market, which took place on the last Saturday in November. This is usually organised and run by the community centre but was unable to go ahead this year due to key roles in their committee not being filled. The TPC decided to take the event on and we were kept very busy organising some exciting stalls and entertainment for everyone to enjoy. It was great to see everyone who came along to support us and we hope you all enjoyed the event. A special thanks to Catherine Murray, Jen Neville and Lynn Turner as well as all the helpers on the day running the café and raffle etc. We couldn't have done it without you.

The event raised over £900 for the TPC funds so as well as an enjoyable day a very successful one!

Christmas Cards

The school and nursery children have made wonderful artworks to go on their Christmas cards, I am sure you will agree they have done a great job! All profits to the TPC and a fantastic £151 raised, many thanks to Suzanne Parry John and Jen Neville for organising it this year.

Bags 2 School

The Bag2School initiative was successful and has raised £108 for the fund, great effort everyone and clearer wardrobes!

Source of funds

We are always looking for new ways to raise funds and we need your help! Some large employers have schemes to donate to local causes or match what we raise in an event so do let us know if your employer can help out.

Dates for your Diary

- *Dress Down Day*
Friday 21st December. Children are invited to wear Christmas Jumpers for £1 per pupil, all money raised will go to Save the Children Christmas Jumper appeal. Any children who don't have a Christmas jumper can wear Christmas colours instead.
- *Next TPC meeting*
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Contact Us

If you want to get in touch with TPC, please speak to a member of the team at the school gates or email us at: torphichenparentcouncil@outlook.com.

Wishing you all a fantastic Christmas and Happy New Year

With kindest regards, Susan Campbell (TPC Chairperson)