Mid Calder Primary School

Parent Council Meeting

Wednesday 2nd March 2016

Present : Susan Grieve (secretary), Nick Devison (Chair), Elaine Murchison, Kirsty Ferguson, Alison Barnes, Mairi Green, Hazel Rafferty, Brian Rafferty, Mary Aikman, Nicola Thompson (Head Teacher), Sarah Burton (Depute Head Teacher), Alison Fulton, Gillian Lumsden

Apologies : Judith Chalmers

**Matters Arising from last meeting**

1. Lunchtime music lessons

NT looked into different options but these were not really feasible. Hazel mentioned that her older daughter is musical and would be happy to provide music tuition for children who wanted it. One suggestion was that this could be provided as an option at free time Friday.

**Action Point : Hazel to liaise directly with NT**

1. SEEMIS parent mail

E mail addresses for parents were collected at the curriculum evening and at parents evening. After Easter newsletters will be e mailed to parents who signed up for this.

**Agenda Points**

1. Flowerbeds in Mid Calder

Nick wondered if the school would be able to help maintain the flower beds in Mid Calder Village. NT suggested that Mr Nelson and his garden groomers may be willing to get involved with this.

**Action Point : Nick to liaise with Mr Nelson.**

1. Head Teachers report

NT shared details about the Nursery build, Primary 1 intake for the coming session, Nursery to P1 and P7 to S1 transitions, painting the school, Shaping the Curriculum event in April, Care Inspectorate report which will be available at the end of March, update on Named Person, and an update on Anytime Anywhere Learning.

**AOB**

1. Homework

Some people felt that there was an inconsistent approach to the amount of homework given out at different stages across the school.

**Action Point : NT and SB will look at the school’s Homework Policy.**

1. Dalguise

An information night will be held in September.

1. PSA Funding

The PSA are trying to raise £10 000 to fund a new and more exciting playground and would like to get the PSC to help in any way such as sharing ideas or speaking to companies/council.

**Action Point : ND to liaise with the Community Council to see if they can help in any way.**

**Date of next meeting**

Wednesday 18th May