

Minute of Parent Council - 27th November 2019

Attendees:

Lara Tolland - Acting Head Teacher

Carol Gillies – Chair

Janice Guy

Lisa Leslie

Gayle Hall

Jen Friel

Fiona Mackie

Gillian McGarry

Apologies:

Archie Buchanan

Andrew Brodie

Keilly McDonald

Jacqui Galloway

Carolanne Barclay

Lynne Nicholson

Sheila Nicholson

Outstanding Actions:

The meeting noted that secretary Lynne Nicholson had extended her apologies to tonight's meeting. Outstanding action to be carried over to the January meeting.

Finance:

Updated signatory list still outstanding. There are ongoing issues with the setting this up if the bank. It is hoped that this will be resolved early in the new year.

Carolanne extended her apologies and will provide a further update at the next meeting.

Head Teacher report:

- Update provided by L Tolland -
- Mrs Doig (PE Teacher) – Has had a baby boy and all is well with both mum and son. Miss McIntyre is currently covering the PE teacher role.
- Crosshouse were delighted to receive the GOLD award for sport. This was presented to the school at assembly and it will be displayed in the foyer area.
- The Anti bullying policy has been now been lodged and Mr Owens had a launch of the policy with the children.
- Read/ Write/ count all P1-P3 will be given a bag with materials and parents are invited along on Friday 29th November to share in the learning.
- Handball and tennis tasters have now been provided to the school and were popular and proved successful.

- Swimming lessons have commenced with p5. The p5 have been offered 2 blocks of 12 weeks. This is on a Tuesday and Wednesday.
- Transition to High school Miss Thomson has been coming in to work with the P7. A science group will be convened as part of the transition programme provided by the high school. Staff have taken advantage of this and will meet with the staff from the learning community.
- Recent in service day – Sir John Jones motivational speaker provided an input to SL staff and the feedback from the staff group was that they thoroughly enjoyed his input reminding staff of the difference they make in education to individual children. Sir John Jones has been an educationalist for over 40 years and shared anecdotes from his time as a class/head teacher. On the second in service day staff were working on the curriculum and working on the school values.
- Lara gave feedback on the survey that was carried out at the parents evening. Top noted values – happiness, inclusion, trust, respect, safety and community. All the information will be assimilated and values will be taken down to maybe 4 or 5. Attain, believe, achieve will remain but values will be reduced
- School Trips – all have been successful and children have had a great experience. The trips have included Whitelee wind farm, Amazonia, the Scottish parliament, Rouken Glen and museum of Scotland.
- Children in need – Final total to be confirmed.
- Crosshouse Grounds - there was a great amount of work achieved and lots of helpers along to help. The day proved a great success.
- Nurture Room has been set up and children are responding exceptionally well. At this stage it is proving to be successful with the children who are loving it. Plans to expand who attends and having further groups utilise the facility. There are a number of staff now trained in nurture and plans to train more.
- Christmas – Decorations will be going up next week, presents have been bought and wrapped and Mr Bulman will again be Santa for the P1 children.

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Parentpay – Lara Tolland to check if there is a facility for the current P6 parents to start paying for Dalguise now.

C Gillies closed the meeting and thank s all those in attendance.