

OCrosshouse Parent Carer Council (“PCC”)

Meeting Date – Thursday, 22 October 2026

Present - Isabelle Murray, Tom Hamilton, Lynsey Hutton, Lynne McRitchie, Petro Knox, Claire Feehan, Brian Feehan, Caroline Graham, Audrey Grubb, Heather Matthews, Ashley Hayes, Vinny Barscotti, Clare Kelly, Stacey Ann Fleeting, Clare Kelly

Councillors- None

Co-opt-

Parents- None

Guest- N/A

Apologies - Jackie McEwan, Nicola Smith

Parent Council Meeting

Welcome and Apologies

Lynsey welcomed everyone to the PC meeting and apologies noted.

First meeting where some members joined via Teams

Review of Outstanding Actions & Previous Minutes

Awaiting on the final Audit for the 2025/2026 school year.

Financial information

£451.33 Balance

£0.54 interest

£200.52 parents evening fundraising

Headteacher Report

Doing 2 Tasks:

1. Home learning
 - a. Use of google classroom
 - b. Considering the positives and the negatives
 - c. The exercise will be done with the Staff and children
 - d. Further research will be done to see what other schools are doing
 - e. Further research will be done regarding volume-, type of- and an overall consideration how homework including general and seasonal impacts.
 - f. The results of the tasks done shall be shared collectively by the school later

2. Sprint – Improving our writing
 - a. Literacy is split up into three – writing, listening and talking
 - b. Writing is one of the hardest to teach and the school is aware of how they must improve this (You can't write what you can't see).
 - c. Systematic and Explicit Vocabulary Prep Video – Covering the Sprint for Term 2
 - d. A statistically concern is that lower income households children have a much lower vocabulary than children from higher income households.

Housekeeping

Miss Boyle is going on maternity leave as from tomorrow, 23 October, however the school does not have full cover for her. Mr Cowey (he is an area cover) covers 0.5 time of the leave, and the school is waiting on council to provide a replacement. The council was notified 9 months ago regarding the situation.

Mrs Mayson is off and Mr Connely is working additional shifts to cover, and Mrs Smith is back

AOB

PCC baking table to be placed properly this year to ensure all bake is sold.

When there are extra portions of school lunches left, then it does get given to the kids who is still hungry. The school do try give the free school meal qualifying kids into consideration.

PCC Meetings Dates 2026/2027

- Thursday, 26 November 2026
- Thursday, 28 January 2027
- Monday, 8 March 2027
- Wednesday, 12 May 2027
- Tuesday, 8 June 2027 AGM