

Parent Council and PSA Minutes

Tuesday 28th February 2017, 6.30-8.30

Present – Sandra Rathjen (Chair), Gillian O'Rourke (HT), Samantha Rushforth (DHT), David Borthwick(PT), Charlotte Birse-Stewart, Anne Hay, Catriona Noronha, John Gardner, Kate Moir and Catherine Logie

Apologies – Nicola Clark-Tonberg, Sandra Bagnall, Rob Noronha, Gareth Overton

Head Teacher Report, GO'R

- Successes:
 - Delighted to be awarded from EMF, whole school assembly with Freya Ross & Mr Hairy Haggis
 - Very successful Diversity week, fits in well with Citizenship and RRS. Big thank you to PSA very inclusive International Café.
 - Focus on Book Week – whole school focus on Treasure Island looking forward to sharing with parents at the Drop in on Friday.
 - Cross Country- EPSSA
 - Bike ability for P7
- Property
 - Swimming Pool back up and running – new lining
 - Roof- slates have been secured
 - 154 McDonald Road- share email from Kingsford. SB and Nick Gardner following up.
 - SR (Chair) – e-mailed Nick Gardner to see if any penalties due to school from contractor. Any clause from council?
 - Nick Gardner to look at playground regarding encroachment by Redpath. Have it in writing by Redpath they will sort the playground on completion.
 - JG – drop line to appeals to inform them of problem
 - SR – e-mail parent group to meet NG on Sat/Sun
- Learning and Teaching
 - Shared progress of SQIP at last meeting, intention to send out questionnaires to parents before Easter holidays
 - Looking forward to seeing parents at Parent Consultations later in the month appointments going out this week.
- Look ahead:
 - Class organisation for next session 2017-18 is for x3 P1 classes capped at 20 per class so 60 pupils in total
 - As our numbers currently stand and of course these can change we are anticipating 15 mainstream classes.
 - Pupil Equity Funding:- Based on FME and BPS have been allocated £64800 per year. Purpose is to close the attainment gap in particular the poverty gap. Guidance and consultation with

parents/children and staff on how best to meet needs. 3 yr commitment.

HT attended Education Scotland Conference, where John Swinney and Next steps – see slide.

Opal Update, SR

Jan – Introduction of team roles – Play Champions - class teachers

Group started, 10 in total, P5 and P6

Design logo and name for blog, meeting arranged

Loose parts relaunch this week after a Health and Safety clearout

SR – Quotes for quiet area, astro and outdoor beanbags under the shelter, approx. £4,000 and seating selected approx. £2,000 – PSA agreed to fund.

Future – look at budget for maintenance/sustainability

Together Tuesday introduced – to be rolled out every playtime. One way system to be introduced.

Next stage – SR to get quotes to extend loose parts in both playgrounds, SR to look at lighting for quiet area.

Treasure Report

£13,800 – Trust Account

Monies incoming – EMF £5,350, Summer Fayre £2,000, Giving Machine £500, Café (x2) £600, Disco's(x2) £1800 and Xmas Café £1100

Expenditure – Opal £6,000, Culture Fund £4,000 and Cash & Carry £1,200

Gift Aid (£350) – still to get – HMRC won't pay into a passbook account, to go into BOS account.

KS to e-mail KM and LS for runner's money to come to the office for distribution – 1 child per class.

Virgin entrepreneurial- £250 to set up, £250 paid back but school keeps profit

P7 helpers for set up of next café

Pupil Council

Opinions on Golden Time

Review – only PC and P7's, will invite every class and get a list of ideas

More money needed to fund some golden time activities, maybe Marathon money

Red nose day – Friday 24th March, dress down, £1 donation, themes – red, red nose character, masks etc. Competition – design red nose, prize for every stage

Toy Donation – ongoing, recipient agreed – sick kids

AOB

Daily Mile – not full playground space and has been winter will pick up after Feb break.

P4-P7 and P3 looking at starting. G.O'R to take back to staff

P7 Leaver sweatshirt – £19 per hoodie, GO'R noted that the school does the signing of t-shirts and dictionaries given, therefore it would be up to parents to organise themselves and everyone would to partake.

PSA Minutes

PSA Chair Vacancy – not filled yet

Edinburgh Marathon Festival (27 & 28/05/17)

53 children confirmed, 7 Primary 7's doing the 5km. Winners notified

Fundraising – up and running – update to say what we are raising funds for

Hardcopy to go out – 05.03.17

Fun run – 26.03.17 starts

Teachers – 5k CS will tell KS

Runners in every race. Andrew Murray will promote on Twitter

T-shirts - £5, superlogo

Noted that Tom Murphy and Kiana Gomesh (ex-pupils) will both run in support of Broughton

Summer Fayre (03/06/17)

- AH has verbal helpers so will pull together Friday 17/03/17 – meeting in school, pupil reps to go, DB to put on website, LS to e-mail out next week, Nursery to bring cake

Café (21/04/17)

– Poster for next week. Spring Café, recruit volunteers before Easter holidays. Sport theme, money raised to support health week and funding activities. (AH) DB to put info on website. LS to put out a reminder the day before

Recent Events

– Lottery raised £1,234.80/The Giving Machine £387.03 to date. Winter disco raised £797.14 and International Café raised £302

Culture Fund

– Update on school plans for 2017

Each class has plans that link into their curricular and letters that go out will state that it is being funded by the Culture Fund

DONM – Wednesday 10/05/17, 6.30-8.30