

Parent Council Meeting Thursday 9th February 2018

Attendance: Sophie Rae, Wendy Murray, Jennifer Faulkner, Jodi Conner, Michelle Denning, Shona Patterson, Nicola Bradley, Jackie Mills

Apologies: Carole Smith, Nikki Cooper, Ruth Connelly

Welcome:

Sophie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Head Teachers Report:

Jackie advised that e mailing of the newsletter has had a positive response

Teachers will be having a meeting regarding how they will in future communicate the childrens learning, it has not been decided but they will be looking into all communication options such as online, paper, didbook etc. (minimum requirement for Didbooks is P7 but LVPS are looking into gaining access and starting this from P3 onwards.

Children have received their passwords and user names so they can log in at home.

WLC are still looking into improving the internet access within the school. – JM to update when details available.

Current Ipads have been updated and P6/P7 have their own ipads which remain in the school.

LVPS are looking into purchasing more ipads so that each child from P3 can have access to their own ipads – school are funding this however PC have advised that they will provide £2000 towards this and we will see if we can source ipads through different channels to see if these can be purchased separately and cheaper for the school.

School have also purchased a new sound system and new projector out of their budget for this year which will make a huge difference to assemblies and school plays/nativities.

New projector boards are coming from Scottish government.

P7 Prom: Nicola Bradley represented P7 parents for the P7 prom. Nicola asked PC for funds for this event, PC advised that PC pay for the year books which were started a few years ago and it was down to the P7 parents and pupils to fund the events through fundraising or other means.

If year book is not wanted this year then it was asked to approach PC with letter stating year book isn't required and for a sum of funds required.

Fundraising update:

FB has been brought up by JF advising that there are some comments and messages made to the FB page that some parents are unhappy with school.

PC FB page is ONLY used for information. It is not an avenue if parents are unhappy with the school – parents MUST refer their queries directly to the school and not the FB Page, a standard response will now be given on every comment or message to this affect. This will be monitored by JF and MD and details brought to next meeting.

Viewing numbers have now changed due to the way in with FB works, the posts are not been seen by as many people therefore it is not hitting as many people it used to – however parents have the access to search on the PC FB page if they wish to see what is going on in the school – the information will be updated for everyone to see if they search for the page.

First Aid course was a great success and a donation of £50 will be provided by PC.

AOB:

It was suggested that on the school website if there could be a calendar of events for the full year so parents and children know what is coming up in their learning. JM will look into putting this on per quarter.

Outdoor area: MD will be carrying this forward to next meeting.

Looking at getting the community involved in helping with gardens at rear of school – lots of suggestions which will need to be looked into further – such as the previous janitor was involved in the previous clean ups, WLC to be approached for funding, storage areas to be made water tight, community groups to be asked if they wish to help (ie Nifty Fifties) to be carried forward to next meeting with JM and SR

JM to provide a list of what requires done to the gardens.

No Spring Fling disco this year – previous years have shown that there is a poor uptake of this event.

Easter Competition – boiled decorated eggs – prizes for 1/2/3 place for each class.

JF will check if sainburys can donate or give discount so every child will receive a small easter related chocolate gift.

Easter baskets and raffle these off was also brought up – JF to advise if going ahead

Easter Bunny – guess the birthday

Parent consultations: Tues 13th March 5.30 – 8pm

Wednesday 4-6.30pm

Date of next PC meeting: