



Campie Parent Council Meeting – Friday 1st November 2019

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| Attending | Shona Blakeley (chair), Ruth Quiletti-Bird, Laura Munro, Linsey Brown, Kirsteen Wishart, Clare Paterson, Alison Elgin (DHT), Pauline McKay (HT) |
| In attendance | Wendy Wilson (acting Clerk) |
| Apologies | Tansy Main, Elizabeth Hunter, Verity Barry, Lydia Kerr, Terri Buzzeo, Susan Heaton, Nadine Lowrey, John Gilligan, Jenna McBirnie |

| Serial | Agenda item | | Action |
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| 1 | Welcome and apologies | Shona welcomed everyone | |
| 2 | Minutes of last meeting | October and AGM minutes were not available – carried forward to December meeting | Chair/HT All to approve |
| 3 | Review of Actions | Carried forward to next meeting | All |
| 4 | Requests for funding | New uniform rail bought, receipt to be given to Claire To investigate replacing the PA system. Have an amp we can use but system needs replaced as it was smoking. Needs something sturdy and portable. | Shona to ask for PA system advice |
| 5 | Sub Group reports | <p>Fundraising update Goal Opening raised £203.20 Halloween £756.90 This is a non-profit event so if we are making a profit should we reduce the cost of tickets for next year? DJ is £100. Other costs are approx. £100 for apples and donuts.</p> <p>This should be discussed further – there is increased demands on PC funds so we could find a balance between income and cost to forum</p> <p>Inclusion group Next Coffee morning scheduled for 25 November. Any volunteers welcome to help. Loads of Halloween outfits donated/taken this has been a big success There is now a call out for Christmas jumpers, party outfits</p> <p>Ruth has set up a Facebook Group for non-school uniform sharing. Can you link up with this if we have any uniforms handed in.</p> <p>There is money available in the Inclusion Group and they are keen to link up with school for events as money available (book day)</p> <p>Keen to put in a changing table in toilets – Inclusion Group</p> | <p>All to discuss</p> <p>All</p> <p>All</p> |

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| | | <p>could pay</p> <p>Great idea for World Book Day – promote the central theme of books and not dressing up.</p> <p>Musselburgh Racecourse (Elaine Nish) keen to promote a Bikeability event</p> <p>Wonderful launch for the Astro, rota now set up including Olivebank for upper school. Younger school get every playtime on a rota. Delighted that the gates are closed over lunchtime. Classes have been using the space for PE this week. An article is in the Courier.</p> <p>Comms Group Thank you to the school, cards were at the Company before the October break. Good team effort. Sharing what has been coming out from the school Beat the Street info – we came 2nd overall but our points per person was higher. We get a trophy and £200 vouchers (school equipment) Wednesday 6 November at 11am everyone in the playground. Parents welcome. Be good to work out what caused this to be so successful. Could be the competition against other schools?</p> <p>Junior apprentice was very successful – give every child £1 and if they don't want to take part return the £1 at the end.</p> <p>New people on the Comms team (Beatrice). Contacted John Gilmour to add Terri to the page – access given for the moment. She will work on the website</p> <p>Couple of Facebook Groups still to accept Campie Community. Still get a few comms that are for the school but just direct them to the school.</p> <p>Grant Writer Shona will work closely with Mrs Mackay for grant for the Library. Shona to speak to Lydia. Can we call out for specific types of books? Other languages? Would this cause too much work</p> | <p>Fundraising</p> <p>Shona/Pauline / Lydia</p> |
| 6 | Treasurer's report | <p>Balance £19,761.29 With money to be spent and money to be banked. Full update due at next meeting Money committed for various projects</p> | Treasurer |
| 7 | HT report | <p>Delighted to be back to Campie, enjoyed Pencaitland and fantastic learning opportunity. Now we are formally linked to Pencaitland. Fantastic to see all the children. Very proud of the team with a special mention to Alison and Sarah and their excellent leadership</p> <p>Anna Smith has joined the team. In the process of recruiting for a teacher for The Hive.</p> <p><u>School Improvement Priority 3:</u> Pivotal Learning: an approach to support inclusion, improved</p> | |

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| | | <p>relationships and ethos.</p> <p><u>Rights Respecting Schools Award</u> Ongoing work through our Professional Action Group. Classes are completing A Bronze Trail. Information attached to the bottom of Campie Connect to talk about articles. Certain articles more relevant but for some children there will be others more relevant. Can these be added to the website? Visual Support School: Bronze Award achieved by the nursery and now rolling this out to the whole school. We have the resources and have the underpinning theory (delivered by a Speech and Language Therapist), whole school approach e.g. each class will have visuals to support classroom organisation. First phase roll out Jan 2020</p> <p><u>South East Improvement Collaborative</u> The in-service day was very valuable professional learning extra in-service day Maths and Literacy in Brunton Theatre Parental Engagement in Gala (Miss Leyland) Video created Power of collaborative working – shared with all schools 4 staff went to Dunfermline Quality Improvement – met with other schools to discuss Next day all fed back, really motivated and inspired.</p> <p>Next block of planning come out with comms on Wednesday 6 November</p> <p>School Improvement Subgroup Empowered school initiative has different sections, use this to look at the school improvement plan and link up with a subgroup and take this forward. Looking to start this as soon as possible. Will be an aim on the annual report. Senior Leadership team meet with the group, work out achievable actions and set dates/actions for the group (After Christmas) Has to be achievable and can be evaluated at a set time (usually May). Suitable times Monday/Friday? Straight after drop off? There is an appetite for this.</p> | School/Comms |
| 6 | AoB | <p>Parental Engagement: Still don't know what kids are learning, Campie connects not meeting our needs. Not having meaningful communication on how to support the children. One solution is blogging, twitter, more meaningful homework on what is being learnt in the classroom.</p> <p>Studies say that doing maths homework doesn't help with Maths. Be good to know how they are learning the subject so we can support.</p> <p>When the Nat 4/Nat 5 were brought in parents didn't understand. Nutshells created for Maths and English. A4 sheet of paper</p> <p>Key learning but not the strategies – children select what they want as more flexible</p> | |

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| | | <p>School would deal with this on a case by case basis. Can be hard to get parent engagement. East Lothian Numeracy Academy have you tube clips available.</p> <p>Make it easier for parents to find without adding to the Teachers workload</p> <p>Consistent approach. Can feed this into the Parental Approach group. Need to give a block of time for blogging/updates</p> <p>Senior Management Team to discuss further and bring back to the Group</p> <p>Feedback on Campie Connects: could we split between 1-3 and 4-7</p> <p>School Lunches If on free lunches (P1-P3) they can be decided on the day. Nothing to stop ordering in advance. If you want the Friday packed lunch it must be ordered by the Tuesday</p> <p>Timetable of events issued at the start of the year. Can a reminder be sent the week before the event? Can we set up a Facebook events to help remind people? Shona will speak to Terri to add to WordPress. Copy on the playgroup noticeboard and office noticeboard. Can this be pinned to twitter/Facebook?</p> <p>Plastic wastage: why yogurts in plastic pots Part of packed lunch on Friday is a plastic bottle - why? Due to need to meet hygiene and take-out nature of lunch on a Friday. Best solution to recycle the plastic at home</p> <p>There are questions around sustainability. Questions about food wastage. School to feedback to catering suppliers.</p> | <p>Shona/Comms</p> |
| 7 | Date of next meeting | <p>Tuesday 10 December Wednesday 22 January Friday 6 March Tuesday 5 May Wednesday 17 June Friday 4 September Tuesday 6 October (AGM)</p> | |