

STONEYHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL: MINUTES, WEDNESDAY 9 FEBRUARY 2022

Attendees: Tina Warren (Chair); Lois Taylor (Treasurer); Denise Brown; Carol Colville (Deputy Head Teacher); Kate Whiteley (Head Teacher); Katie Hislop (Clerk); Stephanie Davidson; Laura Laidlaw; Lisa Turner

Apologies: Sarah Jones (Vice Chair); Lynsey Martin; Cllr Katie Mackie; Cllr John Williamson, Lynsey Melville, Elaine Williamson

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Agenda Item		Action for
1	<p>Welcome and Apologies</p> <p>T.Warren welcomed attendees to the meeting and reminded the group of online meeting behaviours. The apologies listed above were noted.</p>	
2	<p>Minutes of last meeting, 12 January 2022</p> <p>The minutes of the 12 January meeting were approved.</p>	
3	<p>Treasurer's report</p> <p>L.Taylor reported recent income and expenditure. The School Lottery continues to be the main source of income, with £72.50 income from the previous month. Profit from the 2021 crazy hair day and sale of school anniversary tea towels has been received, Christmas card profit to be received.</p>	
4	<p>Head Teacher / Deputy Head Teacher's update:</p> <p>Covid-19: K.Whiteley commented on recent staff and pupil absence, which are part of the covid landscape that we are all now living in. Lateral flow testing seems to be working well.</p> <p>Staff Update: Ms Kelly has been appointed to the nursery, to take up post in March.</p> <p>School investment: A number of purchases have been made, to upgrade materials and equipment.</p> <p>Learning Journals: Parents will have received an email and text notifying them of learning journals which are being brought home in schoolbags today. This booklet contains and summary of pupils' learning, to initiate a conversation between pupil and parent. To be completed and returned by end of the week.</p> <p>Emotions curriculum: This is being introduced slowly, in discussion with staff. The content responds to comments in last year's parental engagement survey, where many parents flagged a need for development around understanding and regulating emotions. There are high quality online tools to assist learning – the cost of these tools is a one-off £300. Members agreed that the Parent Council would fund this.</p>	

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	<p>Action: Invoice to be sent to L.Taylor.</p> <p>Vision Values and Aims (VVA): P7 house captains have been very supportive in the development of learning journals and the creation of the VVA trees. Pupil Council members have created a welcome poster and leaflet, which will be ready after the February break. This will be useful for anyone new to the school - pupils, families and support staff.</p> <p>Stoneyhill hosting of Craighall pupils: The first family from the new Craighall area have joined the school and a second is expected after the February break. The welcome poster has proved helpful, and demonstrated the voice of the pupils' new class.</p>	KW / LT
5	<p>Parent Council Business</p> <p>Red Nose Day, 18/03: T.Warren asked whether anything was planned for this. C.Colville said that she would likely receive a fundraising pack soon and would then discuss possibilities with the pupil council and house captains. K.Whiteley said that she would include an update on this in the next newsletter.</p> <p>Action: K.Whiteley / C.Colville</p> <p>Traffic management / Road Safety around Whitehill area: J.Williamson had provided an email update, as he was unable to attend the meeting. He understands that there will shortly be a review of all 20mph sites and will provide an update on that at a future meeting. He also suggested that the school could put a note out to parents (possibly via the newsletter) to remind them of the speed limit. C.Colville said that she will plan activities with the JRSOs for the summer term, and will aim to use the cardboard people around the end of March.</p> <p>Action: K.Whiteley / C.Colville</p> <p>World Book Day, early March: L.Laidlaw asked if any events were planned and whether there would be fundraising opportunities. K.Whiteley said that this is normally a fun opportunity to dress up and / or share books with each other, not money-related, but she will consider this and confirm after the February break.</p> <p>L.Laidlaw suggested a book swap-shop where books that had been read at home and were no longer wanted, could be brought in and swapped with another pupil. Books could be brought in 3 days in advance to allow quarantine time.</p> <p>Action: K.Whiteley to confirm.</p>	<p>KW/CC</p> <p>KW/CC</p> <p>KW</p>

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	<p>Action: K.Whiteley Action: T.Warren to note for March agenda</p>	<p>KW TW</p>
	<p>Parent Council Business: Fundraising / Supporting the School</p> <p>Trim Trail: Further to the discussion at the January meeting, T.Warren invited fundraising suggestions to raise money for a Trim Trail upgrade / replacement. She suggested that it would be good to have the work complete before the start of the new school year in August.</p> <p>It was agreed that the following ideas would be taken forward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent / Pupil / Staff Bootcamp: Action: C.Colville to contact Karl McKnight. • Football cards: Action: S.Davidson to arrange. • Easter Egg Hunt: Agreed this would take place on Friday 8 April. Action: T.Warren to speak to local shops such as co-op, aldi, lidl to ask for donations of chocolate eggs <p>Action: An update on plans for these events will be discussed at the March meeting. T.Warren to note for March agenda.</p> <p>Other ideas were agreed to be followed up at a later date:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsored silence • Special Raffle with a valuable prize and perhaps two smaller prizes • Coin snake of any loose change around school • Smartie tube, fill up with any coins • Sponsored readathon, someone in class always reading through a day • Sponsored read as many books as you can over a set period 	<p>CC SD TW TW</p>
9	<p>AOB</p> <p>T.Warren invited any other business from attendees.</p> <p>Nursery Parent / Teacher consultations: On behalf of E.Williamson, K.Hislop asked whether there parent / teacher consultation phone calls were planned for nursery pupils. K.Whiteley said that nursery staff had contacted parents this week.</p> <p>Action: K.Hislop to respond to E.Williamson’s question.</p>	<p>KH</p>
10	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>The next meeting will be on Wednesday 16 March, 19:00 – 20:15 via Google Meet. All welcome.</p>	

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Katie Hislop
February 2022