

HYNDLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL MINUTES 12 NOV
2014

Present - John Lewis (Chair), Helen Brown (Headteacher) HB, Alison Mussett AM, Linda McCormick LM, Catherine MacQuarrie CMq (Depute Head, Alan Bonnyman (AB), Daria Jarrett (DJ), Fiona Ansell (Afty), Lisa Logan, Pat Lawlor, Gillian Ulanovsky

Apologies - Anne Wood, Louise Love, Helen Rolph (HR) Lorne Bourhill (LB), Garry Byrne, Steve Gallagher

1. Minutes of the last meeting were approve

Matters arising

Headteachers Report

2. P7 trip

HB reported that 20 pupils would be going to Italy and 27 to Doonans, with a couple of people who hadn't yet responded. The trip was being rescheduled but would take place sometime April/May. HB said that the school would consult with the P6 parents around Easter.

3. Playground resurfacing

HB reported that this did not take place over the holidays, and will now not be done til after xmas.

4. School refit

HB reported that the programming meeting should happen soon, and the school was still scheduled to start the refit in January.

5. Induction week for next year's P1

HB reported that the school already had a substantial number of placing requests for P1 places, and she said that it was imperative that the P1 year be capped at 60.

6. Xmas

CMc reported that the Music Club concert would be for the pupils only. The Church service is now Wed 17 and not Thur 18.

7. Cricket Club

HB reported that the Cricket Club had agreed to the idea of a new gate at the corner of Fortrose St so that pupils didn't have to walk all the way round,

negotiating the parked cars. The cost however is £1375, and so they're looking at ways of funding this.

ACTION – GU to give the Cricket Club Chair Mr Mann's contact details to JL

8. Hillhead and catchment Consultation

Is on 20 November

9. Janny Joe

Sent up chocolates to Parent council to thank them for their support and good wishes during his bereavement.

10. My Child's Art

Pupils have done some artwork and parent will be able to buy cards online.

11. Xmas discos

Will happen during the day as last year.

12. Xmas presents

Parent Council will pay for each child to get a book as last year. The school will choose the books.

13. Treasurers Report

LM reported that £322 was raised at the Quiz Night. Easy Fundraising £114 for last quarter. Louise Love 5 Go Running had raised almost £660 so far. The 5 Go Running money was to take pupils to Commonwealth Games stadiums and CMc reported that she was looking into a trip to Scotstoun.

LM has been talking to GB about the playground equipment spend, this will now be after xmas.

HB said she'd ask Andrew Duff to come out and walk round playground with a view to the future developments and purchase of equipment.

ACTION – HB to contact Andrew Duff about walk round

14. Garden

HR has a donation of a cherry tree. Amanda Storey has planted bulbs in pots by the door and in baskets. A delivery of woodchippings couldn't be delivered due to the building work currently being carried out around the school.

15. Food Policy Survey

AB reported that at the Glasgow Parent Council Forum they'd said that there had been a very poor response to the survey and that the deadline had been extended.

JL has circulated a draft response and he asked anyone who wanted to to respond in next few days.

HB said that the Pupil Council had called Cordia into the school on a number of occasions to talk about the food. They were going to look at the possibility of a grab and go service like they have in Hillhead Primary.

Free P1-3 school meals start in Jan.

16. P1 & P2 Extra-curriculum sporting activity

DJ asked why there didn't seem to be any extra-curriculum sporting activity for P1 and P2. HB replied that Mark O'Mara would be organizing things after xmas as P1s were left to settle in. She also said that many of the coaches requested older pupils to teach and a number had to be requested to teach younger children.

17. Traditional games

There was a discussion about the possibility of introducing traditional games into the playground.

ACTION – DJ to send JL a contact

18. Traffic around the school

HB reported that Audrey Whitelock (Glasgow City Council Road Safety Officer) was coming to talk to school assembly, and then pupils would be asked to write letters to the council about the situation

ACTION – JL to put together a survey and circulate

19. Sweets in School

DJ reported that a few P1 parents were unhappy about the children getting sweets at Halloween. HB responded that they carefully considered when it was permissible to offer sweets, and it was limited to only a few specific holidays.

20. Soap in pupils toilets

JL reported that he'd heard from a public health officer that liquid soap should be used rather than soap bars.

ACTION – HB to contact Health & Safety

21. Gathering Together workshop

ACTION – DJ agreed to go

22. CDs

ACTION – carry over to next meeting (GB)

23. Parent Council GCC representative

Aileen Coleran was standing down at next election. JL has written to Martin Bartos to see if he would be interested in taking the place.

24. Parent council officers

JL reported that there was still not a Deputy Chair if anyone wanted to volunteer (no-one did) and that we were meant to have a PSA representative (which hasn't happened for years).

25. International Day

Ran 2 years ago, parent and children from other countries ran information stalls and food tasting.

ACTION – HB/CMc to look into doing this again

26. Food

DG said that Waitrose did unusual food tasting at Notre Dame.
ACTION – HB/CMC to look into this

HB reported that they might be doing something with Hyndland Fox.

27. Fundraising

AM suggested that there should be a fundraising meeting after the next Parent Council on Wed 14 Jan.

28. National Parent Forum

AB reported that when the National Parent Forum went to speak to Holyrood and said that Parent Councils had paid for items that should have been paid for from school budgets they were shouted down.

ACTION – LM to give figures to AB of purchases that HPSPC has made on behalf of the school (for example smartboards)

Date of next meeting – Wed 14 Jan 2015

