

Carnwath Primary School and Nursery Class Parent Council

Minutes of AGM Meeting held on Tuesday, 28th August 2019

Present: P Easton, R Walker, W Wilson, D Knox-Welsh, J Morrison,
A Robertson, A Hartland, Ilka Graham, L MacLennan, C McGuigan,
F Mcluggage, M Reid, J Bowie

Apologies: S Alexander

Election of new Office Bearers:

Voted in as new office Bearers: -

Chair – David Knox-Welsh

Vice Chair – Audrey Hartland

Treasurer – Roy walker / Adrienne Walker

Secretary – William Wilson / Lynn Wilson

Head Teacher's report:

We were delighted to welcome all children and staff back to school after the summer holidays. We also welcomed new ante pre-school nursery children, 18 new P1 children, an older child and 2 new members of staff (Miss McLuggage who is in P3/4 and Miss Cairns who is in the nursery).

· We were delighted to launch our new parental app. Currently we have 138 downloads, although some of those are staff and some families have downloaded the app on several devices. This is a good start though.

- Mrs Shearer and Mrs Scott attended Give Us A Break training on the two August in-service days. This means that they are now able to run a group in order to support children. Give Us A Break is an 8-week programme designed to support children aged 10-14 who are coping with negative change in their lives; experiencing loss or grief. It supports them to manage the emotional consequences of loss.
- All nursery staff have been trained in Yogido and all teachers will be trained in the next couple of weeks. This will allow everyone to introduce yoga into their classroom. This is in response to the children requesting yoga in their health and wellbeing questionnaires last year.
- We have a new Active Breaks worker this year – Mhairi Lake.
- We also have a new Educational Psychologist working with us – Claire McCaughey – who I will be meeting in the near future.
- Several staff who have changed to a new stage have attended Active Literacy training over the past couple of weeks.
- On Friday this week we have the Lanark Gazette photographer coming to take the P1 photo for their paper.
- We have a P1 parental information afternoon this Friday. This gives the parents an opportunity to visit their child in the class and to hear how they will learn in numeracy and literacy.

Review of Parental Council Constitution:

No Changes to be made.

Dates for future meetings:

25th Sept 19, 22nd Oct 19, 13th Nov 19, 15th Jan 20, 19th Feb 20, 18th Mar 20, 13th May 20, 03rd Jun 20. All meetings will take place on a Wednesday 1830- 2030.

Fundraising ideas for coming year:

Disco, ladies night, Mini Xmas Fair for children during school day, Spring Fair, Gin Tasting night, xmas sponsored event 6th December TBC

Halloween Disco: Discussed At length proposed date Tuesday 29th October 19.

Timings: P1 – P3 1745 -1845. P4 – P7 1900 – 2000.

Cost £2 per child.

Current Community Opportunities

Old school on main street and garages.

Grants

SLC – Parent council going to apply to SLC for kitchen equipment for the children with the intention that the children can bake cakes for future fundraising events such as Macmillan cancer morning and spring fayre.

Loaningdale – Parent Council are going to apply for a grant again from Loaningdale as you are aware, they gave some funding last year that helped to offset the cost for school activities.

Meeting concluded 2030Hrs.

The next planned meeting of the Parent Council will be Wednesday, 25th September 2019 at 1830pm. If you cannot attend and/or have anything you would like to be discussed, please let myself or anyone on the parent council know so we can get it added to the agenda.

ALL WELCOME