

## Carnwath Primary School and Nursery Class Parent Council

### Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020

**Present:** P Easton, F McLuggage, A Hartland, D Knox-Welsh, R Walker,  
A Robertson, I Graham

**Apologies:** L Finlay, W Wilson, S Bowie, J Morrison, S Alexander, C McGuigan

#### Head Teacher's Report:

- I am currently enrolling children for next year's Primary 1 class.
- Both P6 and P7 children will be visiting Biggar High School this week as part of their transition experience.
- All children from nursery to P7 are currently working on a Scottish writing project called 'Little Charlie'. Staff collaborated to ensure that their learning and writing are at a suitable level for them but they are sharing their learning and work with children from other classes too. This is a fabulous opportunity for them.
- The Scottish Celebration will take place at 1.30pm on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> January. Parents are welcome to join us.
- At the end of the month staff will be working with Sue Cove, Talk4Writing trainer, to put together a school writing programme and there will also be another Leadership day for the two ladies who are leading this initiative within school.
- 7<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> February are in-service days for staff
- On 18<sup>th</sup> February the 2 year olds who may come to our nursery will be invited to come, along with their parents, to have a play opportunity again.

#### Financial Report:

The financial report was read out and discussed. The sponsored event was another great success raising £1137.92 so far. Easy Fundraising donations have again increased thanks to all. **AH is to be added as a signatory.**

#### Sponsored Walk:

Details as above.

#### Spring Fayre:

The Spring Fayre was discussed and it was decided that this may be too ambitious for spring given the amount of work to organise such an event. An alternative event of an afternoon tea like event with an Easter theme is to be held. AH and IG offered assistance with preparations for this event. It was decided that on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March we could bake Easter themed cakes with 1 or 2 classes during the school day. Then on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> between 2-4 (TBC) we would hold an afternoon tea event in the school canteen inviting parents and members of the local community to join us to be served refreshments. It was decided to ask for donations rather than set costs for cakes etc. **D K-W is to approach The Apple Pie for possible cake donations for the afternoon tea event.**

We also decided to hold an egg tombola around this time. This would be a variety of different types, sizes of eggs as prizes in the usual tombola format. It was decided we would approach Co-Op, Tesco, Neville's and the Post Office for egg donations.

The possibility of AW baking an Easter cake to be raffled was also discussed.

Finally as part of these events a competition for the best decorated egg is to be held on April 2<sup>nd</sup> during school hours. Children should decorate an egg at home and bring it into school for this date to be judged. This event wouldn't involve children needing to bring any money to school so would be inclusive.

Loaningdale funding was discussed and we are hoping to come up with a suitable proposal. The idea of a Polytunnel was brought forward as this would allow the community to get involved and let the children "Grow It, Cook It and Sell It".

We should be able to obtain £500 from the Community Grant.

**Any Other Business:**

AH brought up Garden on a Roll. The company was looking for community projects to help with providing flowers which come with a plan of what should be planted where. They have replied to say they would be happy to assist but need a size of border required and which type we would be interested in.

The SLC £1000 grant was again discussed. We may be able to get the gazebo and benches we requested but they brought up the question on whether we provided receipts for the bouncy castle we previously received through the scheme. We do have a receipt for this and that was submitted but we didn't purchase the assault course we had asked for due to high costs. We need to purchase this and hand in a receipt.

**If there are any points/questions that you or any other parents would like to be discussed please get in contact with a member of the parent council before the next meeting.**

**The next planned meeting of the Parent Council will be**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February at 18.30.**

**All Welcome.**