



PARENT COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Name of group - Danderhall Parent Council and PTA

Date - 14.11.22

Agenda item	Minutes	Action Needed Y/N
Welcome and attendees	<div>D.Donnelly (HT)</div> <div>N.Clarke (DHT)</div> <div>A.Kvasiliene (Chair Person)</div> <div>T.Woods</div> <div>R.Finlayson</div> <div>M.Hoban</div> <div>J.Zamal</div> <div>N.Bell</div> <div>L.Mulholland</div> <div>E.Duff</div>	
Apologies	<div>L.Stewart</div> <div>N.Sloan</div>	
Previous Minutes	Previous meeting minutes shared by A.Kvasiliene	
Headteacher report	<div>- Staffing</div> <div>Miss McNeill is now teaching P1C.</div> <div>6 new Learning Assistants have been appointed and it is hoped they will start before the Christmas holiday.</div> <div>A new teacher, Mrs. Milligan, has also been appointed, she will teach P4/5 on a Friday and provide Support for Learning the rest of the week.</div> <div>- Snagging</div> <div>D.Donnelly is still trying to get the bells and timings fixed.</div> <div>Recent heating and boiler issues have also been fixed.</div> <div>All recent roof repairs remain water tight.</div> <div>Privacy fencing is still planned for the Nursey Garden area.</div>	

- Parent Consultations

First face to face consultations were very successful and entry at class doors seemed to work well.

-Photos

Family and individual photographs have been taken and the Primary 1 photographs have been printed in the most recent Midlothian Advertiser.

- Halloween Disco

This was a great success and a good profit made for the PTA funds. There are now plans for another Disco in the Spring or Summer term. Due to numbers, there will be 3 different time slots this time.

- Rag-Bag

There was a good response to this and dates for other drop offs will be shared.

- SeeSaw

Seesaw is now back in use across the council Pupil QR codes and passwords were sent out last week.

- Drumming

Pupils from P3 upwards have enjoyed the opportunity to take part in drumming sessions.

- Primary 1 Open Afternoon

Primary 1 parents have been invited to a reading workshop and class visit on Thursday 24th October. Information about Literacy, Numeracy and Home Learning Support will be shared at this event. Letters with more details have been sent out to P1 parents.

- Primary 2 Library Visit

Primary 2 will visit the library and meet with the Minister for Culture on Thursday 24th October. This is to highlight and support the launch of a new Library initiative.

- Basketball Tournament

Primary 7 will take part in the Midlothian Basketball Tournament on Wednesday 16th October.

- Active Schools

This term's Active Schools events have started. Parents experienced a few issues with registering for these events so D.Donnelly will feed this back to the Active Schools Team.

- Swimming

Primary 4 and Primary 4/5 start swimming sessions on Friday 25th November. Due to the timings of these sessions the school bus to Newton Village at the end of the day on a Friday may need to be delayed until the swimmers return. Information will be shared to the parents of those children that this may impact.

- PTA/PC help with Christmas Parties

	<p>The school have asked for help from the PTA/PC to support with the costs of the school Christmas party food and prizes.</p> <p>A. Kvasiliene will check with Morrisons to see if they can provide any crisps/juice.</p>	
Matters arising	<p>- Erskine Care Home Remembrance Service</p> <p>A. Kvasiliene thanked the school for supporting a pupil presence at the Veterans Remembrance Service on Friday 11th October.</p> <p>- Fundraising</p> <p>There will be no Design your own Christmas Cards this year. This is something that will be considered again next year.</p>	
AOB	<p>- Nativity and Christmas Concerts</p> <p>Parents wanted to check if the Nativities and concerts would be in school times or in the evening. D.Donnelly explained that these will all be in school time but exact times are still to be confirmed.</p> <p>- Meeting Minutes</p> <p>A link to these will be added to the school app and there will be a Parent Council section added to the school website so Meeting Minutes will also be saved there.</p> <p>- Next Meeting</p> <p>Next meeting will be Monday 16th January in the Library Meeting Room and will be a hybrid meeting so people can attend in person or via zoom.</p>	