

ST LOUISE PARENT STAFF GROUP

Wednesday 19 January 2022

PRESENT

Siobhan Mooty, Karen Johnstone, Jacqueline Duff, Stephanie Gilligan, Elena Gill, Linzi Mack and Lorraine Clarke.

APOLOGIES

G. Bonner

Mrs Mooty welcomed everyone.

HEADTEACHER'S REPORT

School News

- All classes took part in the NSPCC 'Speak Out Stay Safe' programme and enjoyed learning about how to keep themselves safe.
- Our football, netball, athletics, film, chess and multi-sports clubs will continue across this term. Please check the school app weekly to see which clubs are on each week.
- Book Week Scotland was a great success in school and the children enjoyed the various activities they got to take part in.
- Thank you so much to all our families for the generous support provided to the Loaves and Fishes appeal last term. They were overwhelmed with the collections.
- P7 continue to receive their transition programme virtually and look forward to all the different activities ahead.
- Well done to all the children who have taken part in the sport festivals we have attended over the last term. It has been lovely to be able to join with other schools again to compete.
- Thank you to our Junior Road Safety Officers for leading the school in our 'Be Bright Be Seen' campaign and reminding us all of the importance of keeping safe when travelling.
- All classes enjoyed learning about and taking part in a range of lessons about COP26. We will now extend this further as a school community by focusing on climate change as a Laudato Si school.
- We had a lovely time planning with Heathery Knowe Primary to take part in the exchanging of wreaths, decorating our shared tree and performing our Christmas Carol songs.
- All classes enjoyed the whole school pantomime and were delighted to hear the personal shout outs for our school.

- All pupils had a great time at their Christmas parties and we thank the Parent Council (Parent and Staff Group) for the food and drink donations.
- Well done to all staff and pupils for putting together a wonderful nativity and school show. All children shone and are a credit to us all.

Parish News

Parish involvement has included:

- Congratulations to our Confirmandi in P7 who celebrated this milestone in their faith journey in November.
- Thank you to Fr Ivan and Fr Frank who continue to support all our pupils spiritually this session.
- Fr Ivan will finish as parish priest in St Vincent's Church on Friday 28th January and move to his new church of St John the Baptist. We thank him for all his support and spiritual guidance over his many years here. We will miss him and wish him well as he takes up this new post. Fr Romanus will take over in St Vincent's Church and we look forward to working with him.

Any Other Information

- In term 3 and 4 our P6 children will attend a block of 12 swimming lessons.
- All policies and procedures are available to download from the school website showing the current guidance we are following.
- We anticipate moving forward with information about the Auchengillan trip in February to let families know the details.
- The school will celebrate its 50th anniversary in August 2022 and we are starting to prepare activities and events to commemorate this occasion

PSG Wishlist

We would like to purchase the digital resources which go alongside our current Camambear infant programme for teaching languages. The costings for this are below;

Upgrade to Digital Camembear for full access to the Members Portal for 15 months (normally 12 months) - £149+VAT *

We would then review this annually to see if continuing with the subscription was worthwhile.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jacqueline Duff reported:

- £2213 in bank as of 06/12/21
- £41.43 has been paid in from PayPal (50/50 draw)
- £50.96 (Gamer voucher draw)
- £4 (from C.McC for 50/50 draw)
- PSG provided Crisps, sweets, juice and crafts to school.

- S. Gilligan asked if the PSG could support the future P7 residential trip to Auchengillan if needed.
- PEF (Pupil Equity Fund) can help with this but if needed Mrs Mooty would let PSG know

FUNDRAISING

- August 2022 will be the 50th Anniversary of the school!
- We should arrange a Spring/Summer Fayre to mark this anniversary even if it needs to be held outside.
- L. Clarke – the school are planning on creating a Memorial Garden for the anniversary.
- L. Mack – suggested a Sponsored Bounce to help raise funds as this could also be held outside.
- Another suggestion was Sponsored Steps.

Next meeting: 23 February 2022 at 7pm.