

PSG Meeting wed 23 Feb 2022

Kathy McCann, Lorraine Clarke, Siobhan Mooty, Gillian Bonner, Claire Docherty, Jacqueline Duff, Stephanie Gilligan

Apologies : Karen Johnstone

Notes from Previous meeting- Funding for p7 children who might need help : Mrs Mooty noted no one has asked for assistance as of yet. She also said Auchengillan will refund any money if children are ill with Covid prior to the trip.

Mrs Mooty gave an update on our school and parish news.

School News

- Infant enrolment is underway – we have 15 confirmed placements and 6 placing requests pending.
- As part of our recovery programme staff are offering supported study sessions after school and Miss Clarke is in contact with families who are being offered this.
- P5 have now finished their Youth Music Initiative lessons as part of the council's music provision and enjoyed these.
- P7 took part in ICT transition lessons and continue to engage in the programme going forward. Families also had the opportunity to join with staff from St Andrew's and St Bride's for an information evening.
- The school has had a wireless upgrade which is great news as it means we have quicker speeds across the school and can have more devices connected at the same time.
- All classes engaged in Robert Burns Day activities and had lots of fun in their class learning about him.
- We have taken part in a number of festivals and it is great to be able to engage with other schools.
- All classes engaged in a variety of lessons across 'Children's Mental Health' week and the Place2Be materials allowed the children to focus on the theme – 'Growing Together'.
- P1 have had their dental inspections and P1 and P2 are set up and engaging in the tooth brushing programme.

Parish News

Parish involvement has included:

- We welcome Fr Romanus to the parish and look forward to working with him.

Any Other Information

- We now have all the information we need for our P7 residential trip and will move forward by booking this officially.
- Our school will take part in the 'Eat them to Defeat Them' campaign where we will focus weekly on a vegetable and children will be encouraged to eat this across the week in school and at home. It starts the week beginning 28th February and home packs will be sent home for pupils to participate at home too.
- We welcome any pics or tweets showing fun veggie tasting or recipes.

PSG Wishlist

Thank you for the Camembear digital resources the infants are loving using this.

P4-7 are looking to get the Scholastics Close Reading programme and it costs £185. We would be grateful if the Parent Council would pay for this.

The parent council agreed to purchase the Scholastic programme.

Jacqueline then gave the treasurer's report.

Received three incomes from the clothing bank £ 110.00/ £102.00 /£150.00

Current Balance is £2448.02

Gillian noted that the Clothing bank isn't displaying the St Louise logo anymore and will contact the company to rectify.

Kathy said she will bring our new chaplain Fr Romanus over to our school to meet the children, she also mentioned that it might be his silver jubilee this year on 2nd August.

Summer Fayre

Date arranged Friday 10th June.

Gillian has already organised many stall holders, one of them being Jackton Art. Jackton Art is owned by Gillian's Brother in law (also an ex pupil) and he has agreed to create an art work of our school for the 50th Anniversary.

As well as stalls, fundraising food stalls and fun activity stalls to raise money for the parent council were discussed too.

- Slushy stall
- doughnut wall
- Bouncy castles
- Pizza stall (will check if food hygiene certificates are needed) Kathy suggested getting in touch with Mary's meal group at St Vincents and Gillian said Kevin K and Ross G have been invited so he might know more.

Fundraising prior to Fayre

Jacqueline suggested getting some fundraising under way before the fayre so it can be done in a more relaxed fashion over a few weeks,

Suggestions were:

- Sponsored Skip
- Assault course
- walk
- Each class could choose their own activity.
- School pupils could be asked to donate a small Easter item for a whole school raffle and prizes can be created from these donations
- Any surplus items could be donated to loaves and fishes.

50th Anniversary celebrations

A date tba for August 2022

- Gillian suggested planning school fayre and celebration side by side as many items will be the same.
- School memorabilia could be sold, mugs keyrings, mouse mats etc
- A hall of fame of ex pupil pics
- Just giving page could be set up

A school mass will be arranged and we could ask Archbishop Nolan to celebrate this mass with ex Hts/ staff etc invited back.

Internet Advice for parents

Stephanie enquired about how we could help parents to be more vigilant to ensure their children are using online forums safely.

Claire D mentioned about a previous workshop before lockdown where parents attended and we walked through the most popular apps children were using

However after some discussion it was agreed we couldn't really discuss the apps that aren't appropriate for primary age children and this might be seen as tacit approval, but Mrs Mooty said an advice leaflet prepared by CEOPS would be distributed to all parents directing them to great sites which give valuable advice.

Claire D said she could try to tweet internet advice each Wednesday as a beginning.

Lorraine suggested pupils could make a general appropriate behaviour online video.

Gym Attire

A parent enquired about the possibility of their child wearing long joggers or leggings to PE as opposed to shorts, however since lockdown this has been the case, but Mrs Mooty will ensure all parents know this and will put a message on the app.

P7 Hoodies

Gillian will send in a spreadsheet to class to get orders for the 32 pupils.

Next meeting **Wed 23rd March 2022** at 7pm this meeting will continue to be virtual, however possibility of future meetings being of a hybrid format, in school and online.

Elena Gill has agreed to organise Hall Lets in the future and Stephanie Gilligan will assist with this.