PSG Meeting Wed 23 March 2022

Siobhan Mooty, Lorraine Clarke, Gillian Bonner, Claire Docherty, Stephanie Gilligan and Karen Johnstone

Apologies : Jacqueline Duff

Notes from Previous meeting

- G Bonner will try to give Mrs Docherty the spreadsheet for the P7 hoody measurements etc... before Easter holidays.
- GB will call Clothing Bank company to ask them to put school name on the bank.

HT Report - School News

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

School News

- Our school have had an IT refresh with lots of new computers, a new system that will
 take time to get used to but the main feature is that all files are now saved to a cloud
 area and not stored on hard drives
- P6 are enjoying their swimming lessons and will continue until the end of term
- Assemblies have been back in the gym hall and we are delighted to all come together for this and it is a new experience for our P1-3 children
- What wonderful costumes and fun was had by all on World Book Day
- P7s have had their two visits from staff at St Andrew's and St Bride's HS as part of their transition, the second parent information evening has been arranged for Tuesday 3rd May and the two transition visit days are planned for Tuesday 31st May and Wednesday 1st June
- Our Eat Them to Defeat Them has gone well with lots of children trying and enjoying the different vegetables each week
- Snapshot jotters have gone home to share the children's learning and they love discussing this with their families
- We continue to take part in the different sports festivals and are glad to be able to keep doing this
- We had P4-7 handball sessions arranged with Michael who will start these next week and continue this for 4 weeks
- We are taking part in the Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel which is encouraging lots of active travel during this nice weather
- We thank our families for the generous Easter raffle donations for the school and look forward to doing this on the last day
- We are able to have our Talent Show again this year and can't wait to see all the different acts on show

Parish News

Parish involvement has included:

- Thank you to Fr Dougan who visited the school on Ash Wednesday to ensure we were able to get our ashes after we joined in virtually with mass
- Our Lenten preparations are well underway and we are working hard to raise money for our charities

- P7 joined Our Lady of Lourdes for first Friday mass and we are now going to have 2 classes attending mass each month but this will be on first Wednesday due to numbers
- Thank you to Fr Dougan and Fr Romanus for the celebration of First Reconciliation for the children in our school as they did themselves, their families and the school proud
- Fr Dougan worked with our P6 and P7 children on the Synod discussions and was impressed with their thoughts and ideas

Any Other Information

- Heathery Knowe are having their Summer Fayre on the same evening as ours so we
 will have the side gate open to allow both car parks to be used but we expect it to be
 busy
- We received information from Councillor Anderson regarding the 75th anniversary of EK being a new town and we will share this across the school community as well as prepare different ways to mark this in term 4

PSG Wishlist

Thank you for the Literacy close reading materials the staff are delighted with these.

Treasurer's Report

J Duff sent a message that there has been no change to bank balance other than a reduction of £165 for school resources.

AOCB

- G Bonner showed the 50th Anniversary artwork which David Bonner has done so far. Once he has finished she will email it to school and they can decide on colours.
- S Mooty asked if the PSG would be organising a school disco for the feast of St Louise. She suggested this could be at Murray Owen Centre or Church Hall as we are still not able to hold them in school.
- S Gilligan will call OLOL Church Hall and the Murray Owen Centre to find out availability for the week beginning 9 May 2022. She will let school know of any availability.
- We could possibly have 2 discos: P1-3 6pm 715pm and P4-7 730pm 845pm.
- G Bonner will ask Kevin McConnachie if he would be available to DJ.
- Father Coyle has been invited back to say the P7 Leaver's Mass as Father Dougan was unavailable.

Next meeting Wed 20th April 2022 at 7pm.