



GLASSFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

Minutes of the Parent Council Meeting

held on Tuesday 18th April 2023 at 7.00pm

Members present: Gordon Innes (Chair)
Christine Hall (Secretary)
Lee Rogers (Treasurer)
Joanne Smith
Laura Davidson
Linzi Fallow
Jennifer McEwan

In attendance: Audrey Donnelly (Head Teacher), Yvonne Waring (Teaching Staff), Rachel Golde (Teaching Staff), Ashleigh Cranstoun and Hollie Godfrey

1. Welcome

Gordon welcomed everyone to the meeting and mentioned it was great to see a good turnout.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Rev Shaw Paterson,

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Linzi proposed, and Laura seconded the Minutes from the previous meeting.

4. Actions from Previous Minutes

- Christine has an Interview tomorrow morning (19th) for Education Resources Committee parental representative
- Everything else will be dealt with during the course of the meeting

5. Correspondence

- None received.



6. Fundraising

- A Ragbag street collection has been arranged for Monday 15/5/23 – we will need to run round and collect bags on the Sunday evening. We included this collection date on the flyer to the whole village pre Easter (along with Daffodil tea details) and Christine will share on social media to boost support of this.
- The Easter Assembly followed by Daffodil tea in the Church Hall was well supported and raised £395.43 for funds which was excellent. Thank you to all parents, extended family and village ladies for huge amounts of homebaking which was really appreciated. The total funds raised included the food hamper raffle which was very successful and raised about £300, mostly in tickets sold beforehand.
- Spring Party – the Parent Council will arrange a party for the Children on the evening of Thursday 25th May, along same format as Halloween Disco – free of charge for all, games and juice and treats for the children. Christine will co-ordinate this closer to the date via the facebook chat group.

7. Headteachers Report

- The transition programme is well underway for P7's including visits from an Academy Maths teacher, Chemistry Department and STEM activities. They have also participated in a sports club, football classes and also a football festival with more activities still to take place.
- The whole school visited the Science Centre and all the children were well behaved and seemed to all enjoy it.
- Snapshot jotters were distributed before Easter and these continue to be well received by parents and the children are enthusiastic about sharing their learning with their families.
- The Easter Assembly and Daffodil Tea were well attended and enjoyed by all.
- 6 of our children competed in the Burns Competition and this was a great experience for them and it is hoped to repeat this next year.
- All classes will be visiting Strathaven Library in the next few weeks to hopefully encourage Library membership and use.
- There will be 8 new Primary 1s and their Induction days will coincide with the P7's visiting the Academy – 31/5 and 01/06.
- Still to confirm the date of the Leavers Assembly but this will probably take place in the last full week of term.



- There will be a 3 class structure next year, equivalent to this year and it is hoped to retain Mr McKenzie to ensure continuity. The Staffing arrangement is still to be confirmed.
- Mrs Simpson and Mrs Fraser will be still be in place via PEF funding for 23/24.

7.1. Curriculum Rationale

At the recent Parents night, an exercise was carried out to source parents opinions on the Curriculum Rationale. This resulted in some changes being made – the redrafted version will be circulated to parents for further comment then published.

7.2. School Relationships and Sexual Health Programme

The above programme has been developed and is deeper and more graphic than previous learning in this area. The themes explored are not just in relation to Sex, all types of relationships are explored as well as physical and emotional changes, online safety, personal safety, social media, personal hygiene, abuse, to name just some of the areas.

The topics will be presented to P2-7 at an appropriate level once the foundations have been laid.

The Material that is being presented by the Teaching staff is all available from the RSHP website and can be accessed by parents to answer any questions children may have. Parents are encouraged to speak to the School over any concerns they may have in respect of the RSHP teaching.

8. Any Other Competent Business

- It was agreed that it would be a good idea to try and arrange a workshop in Autumn 23 regarding online safety for children and parents, in conjunction with Police.

9. Date & Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Glassford Parent Council will be the AGM and this will be arranged for late August/ early September 2023 at a convenient date.

Gordon then closed the meeting at 8.20pm with thanks to everyone for attending.

