

# Kelvindale Primary Parent Council



## Minutes of Meeting

<b>Date:</b>	Wednesday 10 May 2017 - 1915
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<u>Item</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Action</u>
<b>1.0</b>	<b>Present / Apologies / Welcome</b>	AM
	1.1 Apologies received from Jacqueline Burns and Lesley Kennedy.	
	1.2 Present: Alisdair Matheson, Craig McNally, Tom Willacy, Gillian Roulston, Barbara Matheson, Abu Aziz and Helen Ntabeni.	
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Items of Business</b>	
	2.1 – 4 Rs update  <b>BM</b> will send an update on the 4 R's Refurbishment to parents in the next Newsletter but she hopes it will all be finished by August 2017. Gym will be the next phase, starting in the middle of May. Scaffolding is going up today and tomorrow for windows/roof in gym which will take some more of the playground however back entrance will still be in use with a covered walkway. P6a and P4b will be moving back to their classrooms soon and the first set of stairs in the Main Building will be back in action. Girls Toilets will be closed for a further week and girls in the Main Building will have to continue to use Infant Toilets. For PE/Clubs school will use pitch/huts. [Post meeting note – The chalets are to be demolished over summer or, perhaps, October, holidays. There will be a consultation on the use of the space]	AM/BM
	2.2 – Pitch drainage  AM noted that there would be a delay to the MacTaggart & Mickel development adjoining the pitch. The Coal Authority had advised they were not satisfied with the treatment of an old mine shaft on the site. This means a permanent drainage solution for the pitch will also be delayed as the permanent solution will involve works to that site. Discussions were ongoing between the Council and M&M but their terms were confidential and AM did not have any further detail. Meanwhile superficial works – clearing of leaves etc. – would be all the Council would carry out. At present the dry weather meant the problem was not as visible.	AM
	2.3 – Head Lice	AM

	<p>AM had received emails from a number of parents querying why parents were not informed of lice outbreaks as was the case when they were children. BM informed us that due to Government Regulation the school is not allowed to instruct parents directly on Head Lice. AM understood that was the case but the problem was the repeated request for parents to inform the school if they discovered head lice in newsletters. Parents would then infer they would be informed. General advice leaflets were to be sent to every parent and she would look into further information for P1 parents in August and put information in the P1 handbook.</p>	
<b>3.0</b>	<p><b>Financial Report</b></p> <p>Parent Council bank balance stands at £1,362.91 with a further £400 to be received from the Council by way of annual grant over the summer..</p>	JB
<b>4.0</b>	<p><b>PTA report</b></p> <p>CML gave a brief report of the last PTA meeting and plans for the Summer Event night. This would take place on Friday 16 June from 1800-2100. The teachers confirmed that the K Factor would return.</p>	AM/PTA member
<b>5.0</b>	<p><b>Head Teacher's Business</b></p> <p><u>Equity Funding</u></p> <p><u>BM noted that the school would receive around £79,200 of additional funding in the coming year. As stated at the last Parent Council Meeting and in consultation with staff, pupils and parents it was planned to allocate this in the following areas:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Play-based Approach for P1-learning materials and training for staff</u></li> <li>• <u>Raising Attainment in Literacy-Extra teacher and support staff hours, resources and assessments</u></li> <li>• <u>Mindfulness-Training for Staff and Mindfulness Training for individual classes and Parent Workshops</u></li> </ul> <p>BM said there would be 17 classes with one P3/2 composite.</p> <p>Mr Montgomery is now a permanent member of the teaching staff. Mrs McCredie (Depute Head Teacher) and Mrs Mills (P1c) are pregnant and will depart on maternity leave in June. Mrs Orrell (P4a) and Mrs Millar (P4b) are also pregnant. Mrs Millar will commence Maternity Leave at the end of August and Mrs Orrell at the October holiday. BM has requested supply teachers. Given Mrs McCreadie's departure is only temporary, Glasgow City Council have said the interview for her interim replacement does not require Parent Council presence.</p> <p>Sportsdays will take place at Kelvinside Academy's grounds on 13 and 14 June for the junior and senior schools respectively. Both days will take the form of potted sports competitions with pupils competing at a variety of different events with points going towards overall winners. Parents will be required to sit in the stand to avoid harming the grass.</p>	BM

	<p>School Trips – P7 will go to Barcaple Outside Education Centre near Castle Douglas next year. School will provide support to families who need it to help with the cost of this trip.</p> <p><u>P7 Show (was 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> June)</u>                  School confirmed as a Polling Station and will be closed to all pupils on 8<sup>th</sup> June. All lets have now been cancelled for the evening of the 7<sup>th</sup> June therefore School Show now on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June.</p> <p>Clerical support in case of absence remains a challenge and the school are very grateful for parent admin help.</p> <p>Gillian Roulston shared a leaflet about the schools values, as voted for by the children – Respect, Resilience, Diversity, Self-Belief.</p> <p>The summer trips were due to take place to various locations in June. BM wondered if pupils would also benefit from smaller educational visits through the year – e.g. the Science centre, as budget allows. AM noted there was some sense in this but the pupils certainly enjoyed the summer trips and made many memories.</p>	
<b>6.0</b>	<b>AOCB</b>	
	<p>CML lamented that her child often reported there were limited or sold-out healthy options in school lunch (e.g. no peppers / crunchy veg left). HN said it was shocking that hot dogs could be on a so-called 'healthy' menu. AM to draft a letter to our newly elected councillor (s) to put pressure on Cordia for healthy improvement.</p>	
<b>7.0</b>	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b>	
	To be confirmed	

<p><b>Chairman</b> - Alisdair Matheson (P2 &amp; 4)</p> <p><b>Secretary</b> – Tom Willacy (P4)</p> <p><b>Treasurer</b> - Jacqueline Burns (P2 &amp; P7)</p> <p><b>Parent Members:</b></p> <p>Craig McNally (P4)</p> <p>Abu Aziz (P3)</p> <p>Lesley Kennedy (P4 and P7)</p> <p>Helen Ntapeni (P2 &amp; P7)</p>	<p><b>Co-opted members:</b></p> <p>Gillian Roulston - Teacher's Representative</p> <p><b>Advisor:</b></p> <p>Barbara Matheson – Acting Head Teacher</p>
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