

Kelvindale Primary Parent Council



Minutes

Date:	Wednesday 12 th May 2021 – 19:00
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Item	Description	Action
1.0	<p>Present / Apologies / Welcome</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apologies: None 2. Present: Jacqueline Burns, Mrs Matheson, Stuart Donald, Alisdair Matheson, Mrs Roulston, Elizabeth Rudebeck, Barry Walker, Abu-Zar Aziz, Robin Dallas-Childs <p>AM welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p>	
2.0	<p>Items of Business</p>	
	<p>2.1 COVID Update</p> <p>The school is working to current COVID guidance from Glasgow City Council (GCC) and the Scottish Government. All staff are currently in.</p> <p>GCC and the Scottish Government are providing extra money and staffing to help with recovery, resilience and reconnection. As well as our £78,413 PEF allocation, KP also been given and an extra £43,944. This will be spent on additional teaching support (see HT report for further details of how this will be spent).</p> <p>It is not believed that additional measures need to be taken to improve COVID safety at the school (e.g. new ventilation) but GCC complete will complete a health and safety assessment this term to confirm.</p>	BM
	<p>2.2 Pitch Drainage</p> <p>The drainage pipe has been damaged, causing water to build up. Bellway conducted a dye test to establish which pipe is affected and will complete remedial work, which should not impact on the school, by August 2021.</p>	AM
	<p>2.3 Traffic Management</p> <p>AM: Weymouth Drive side seems to have been working well with little traffic during restricted times.</p> <p>BM reported a resident complaint due to people parking over driveways. BM's advice was to phone the Police if this continued to be a problem.</p> <p>SD suggested that the point of the scheme is to make it safe for the children, not to make locals happy. The school can remind but not enforce.</p> <p>BW reported that some cars still move into/park in the restricted area.</p> <p>GR noted that 4 families have disabled badges so are entitled to enter the restricted areas. In addition, on one occasion, due to a stand off by the garages between cars,</p>	All

	<p>some cars moved through the restricted area to exit.</p> <p>Restriction times don't currently align with school day but will do so with the new school finish times from August 2021.</p>	
	<p>2.4 After School Care</p> <p>After a discussion concerning the merits of the submissions from potential after school care providers, a unanimous verdict was reached to recommend to GCC that West End Adventure After School Care runs services at KPS from August 2021.</p>	AM
3.0	<p>Financial Report</p> <p>No changes from previous meeting. AM to sign cheques.</p>	JB AM
4.0	<p>PTA Report</p> <p>Currently £9020 in the bank. A number of school requests for funding for sports and garden facilities (see PTA mins for details).</p> <p>Janitor's Garden The raised beds have been built and filled and were now being used by classes.</p> <p>P7 hoodies Purchased for leavers.</p> <p>50:50 raffle 50:50 raffle raised over £900.</p> <p>Second Hand Uniform Sale Plans to hold a second-hand uniform sale w/c 14th June.</p> <p>P1 coffee morning Plan to hold a coffee morning for P1 parents on Monday 16th August. It was agreed that the school would publicise this in the induction packs and a decision will be made in early August.</p>	ER
5.0	<p>Head Teacher's Business Update</p> <p><u>1. Health and Safety</u> All staff in Kelvindale are adhering to the Covid Health and Safety procedures stipulated in our latest Risk Assessment. A printed copy of version 14 has been sent to all staff and paper copies are available. All staff are invited to suggest any changes or additions required.</p> <p>We have a Day Cleaner from 9.30am-1.30pm every day. All classrooms have spray and blue roll for staff and the children can use for wiping down surfaces when required.</p> <p>Ventilation is extremely important and the janitor and teaching staff are aware of this. Windows are kept open in all areas of the school.</p> <p>The EIS representative, our Health and Safety Representative and I do a Health and Safety walk round every Friday afternoon.</p> <p><u>2. Classification for 2021-22 and Closing the Gap</u> I have been looking at our classification for next session. Glasgow City Council and the Scottish Government are providing extra money and staffing to help with recovery, resilience and reconnection.</p> <p>As well as our £78,413 PEF allocation, we have also been given and an extra £43,944.</p>	BM

This means we can look at how we can close the gap and help children catch up with lost learning by providing extra support.
I have consulted with teaching staff and the SLT and at the moment, this is what our plan will look like.

1. *PEF-We will continue to pay for Mrs Salt 0.6 out of PEF (Pupil Equity Funding). This will cost £33,766.
Along with her 0.4 existing allocation to Kelvindale, this brings her up to 1.0FTE to work with pupils who require additional support.*
2. *We have been allocated extra staffing based on our school roll. This means another teacher. We have also been given an extra £43,944 to be targeted on closing the gap. I propose to buy an extra teacher with this money however in order to do this, we will have to take £12,333 from PEF.*
3. *We will have £32, 314 remaining for resources/other interventions. We will also have our usual budget for buying basic materials /CPD etc which is about £40,000 (based on last year's figure, new budget has yet to be released).*
4. *This would mean we would have 2 more members of teaching staff.*
5. *This means:*
 - *We will have 17 classes.*
 - *We will have 3 small (about 23 pupils) classes at P3 next year.*
 - *Next year's P2s would go into a P2/1 and two P2s of 25.*
 - *An experienced existing member of school staff will be out of class to work on closing the gap with targeted pupils in P4-P7 in Literacy and Numeracy.*
6. *Mrs Salt will concentrate on ASL pupils and some closing the gap work in Infants.*

This is based on us having 440 pupils. I have drafted a provisional list of roles/classes for teachers for next term and I will share this with parents in June once this has been finalised. Please note, the above is subject to change!!!

What won't change is the emphasis this year and next being very much on closing the gap and ensuring that our children are not going to have gaps in their learning because of the pandemic. This will mean a big emphasis on basic literacy and numeracy skills but also on Health and Wellbeing.

Our Recovery will be the basis of our next School Improvement Plan. We will be evaluating our current School Improvement Plan as a staff at our next Teachers Meeting on 19th May 2021.

The role of our Closing the Gap Teacher in P4-P7 will be working with groups/ individuals who, due to the lockdowns, have not progressed as well as they might have had they had been at school. These children will need some extra support to get back on track.

This support will not be long term. For example, if a child hasn't understood a concept in Maths e.g. angles, that child will get a short burst of daily support for a few days or a week until they have understood that concept. Support will be given as an individual or in a small group.

3. School Improvement Plan for 2021-22

What goes in this is still at the consultation stage. I invite comments/suggestions from parents, pupils and staff.

GCC are recommending that we keep this year's SIP as focussed on recovery as possible.

I am envisaging that we have 2 main priorities:

1. UNCR/Children's Rights. This will incorporate COP 26, RSHP (Relationships, Sexual Health and Parenthood Education) and an updated post Covid Curriculum Rationale for Kelvindale.
2. Closing the Gap-Literacy and Numeracy, Nurture and Health and Well-being.

4. Staffing

Mrs Millar (P4a) had a baby girl last week and is still on Maternity Leave.

Mrs Watret is due to return from Maternity Leave on May 24th 2021. She has been in school some days to readjust to coming back to school.

Mr Nicol (ADHT) will leave us on 21st May 2021 to return to his previous school. Mr Nicol has been great and we will miss him. On behalf of the whole school I would like to thank Mr Nicol for his hard work and dedication to Kelvindale Primary and wish him well for his future career.

5. Cop 26

Glasgow hosted a Getting Ready for COP26 Launch Event on May 12 at 2.00pm. It was on TEAMS and staff and pupils across the city joined in, including our P3-P7 pupils.

COP 26 will be part of our School Improvement Plan for next session.

Reporting to Parents

We have been engaging with Parents throughout lockdown via SeeSaw and Microsoft Teams.

As I said in my Spring Newsletter, we are hoping to speak with parents this term.

We will issue a slightly abridged school report for each child the last week in May which will include literacy, numeracy and mathematics and health and wellbeing.

We will then arrange a short meeting on Microsoft Teams in early June.

6. School Uniform

We have changed our school uniform supplier to School Wear Scotland.

The school gets a commission on this.

Details on how to order uniform have been sent to parents, are on the website and will be issued again in my next Newsletter.

7. School Day

I said at the last Parent Council meeting that I was proposing that we change our school day.

I have decided to postpone this consultation until the school day is back to what it was pre-covid as I think it will lead to confusion.

In addition, we might be instructed by GCC to still have the current staggered starts in August.

8. P7

Thank you to the PTA for providing hoodies for our P7 pupils.

P7 are visiting Pinkston to try various water sports for 4 day visits in lieu of the P7 residential trip.

Each P7 class will have their visits on different days.

We will have the P7 Ceilidh on Thursday 17th June.

P7 are currently rehearsing their school show, Cinderella, Rockerfella.

There is a P7a cast and a P7b cast.

We have arranged for each performance to be recorded as we are unlikely to be allowed to have an audience for these shows.

9. Sports Day

We will have a Sports Day in school on Friday 11th June 2021 for the Infants and Friday 18th June for the Upper School. Unfortunately, we will not be able to accommodate parents and carers this year.

6.0	<p>AOCB</p> <p>Request for volunteer to take part in Headteacher/Senior staff Recruitment & Selection Training. RDC to sign up for May training.</p> <p>Request for a volunteer for the role of Secretary. None forthcoming.</p>	<p>AM</p> <p>RDC</p>
7.0	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 1st September @ 7pm</p>	

<p>Chairman - Alisdair Matheson (P2 & 6)</p> <p>Secretary – (To be appointed)</p> <p>Treasurer - Jacqueline Burns (P6)</p> <p>Parent Members: Abu-Zar Aziz (P3), Robin Dallas-Childs (P2), Stuart Donald (P2), Barry Walker (P3)</p>	<p>Co-opted members: Gillian Roulston - Teacher's Representative</p> <p>Advisor: Barbara Matheson – Head Teacher</p>
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