

Hard Work Fairness Inclusion Respect Faith

## Parent Council.

30<sup>th</sup> November 2021

In Attendance - Mrs Currie, Mrs Walker, Miss Parker, Mrs Carroll, Mrs O'Connor, Miss Jones, Mrs Waugh.

Apologies - Cllr Ross, Mr Callaghan, Cllr Nailon.

Welcome	Mrs Currie welcomed all attendees in our virtual Parent
	Council meeting.
Opening Prayer	Led by Mrs Walker. Thank you.
Minutes of last Meeting	~ No actions outstanding.
Correspondence	~ No correspondence received @ school.
	~ Mrs O'Connor attended wider Parent Council meeting
	last week with T McDaid @ SLC. There was a mix of both
	primary and secondary schools represented and
	information reflected this. Slides with update details on
	Education response to COVID. Still limitations around
	assemblies, but there was discussion from more forward
	thinking schools who have been able to introduce
	alternatives. Discussion around residentials for P7
	students, most places had been seeking assurances around
	if refunds would be given in circumstances where trips had
	to be cancelled. Update provided with COVID stats across
	Lanarkshire - showing consistency across education.
PTFA Christmas Plans	~ Mrs Carroll updated on recent meeting with PTFA and
	confirmed plans for Christmas Fayre which will take place
	on Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec between 2-3. This will be an
	outdoor market type fayre and will take place in the school
	playground. Mrs Carroll shared plan of layout with approx.
	3 cars and various gazebo areas set up for selling.
	Classrooms will each have stall space to sell items made in
	class. There will be beat the goalie and arcade activities
	taking place along with tombola stand. Plan is to have one
	way system in operation with visitor entrance at infant
	school lane and exit at senior school gate. Request to be
	send out to parents asking for gazebo/fairy lights to
	decorate the area. Mrs Currie will email a copy of the
	layout/plan to PTFA.
	~ Mrs Currie advised that there will be a non uniform day
	on Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> where instead of donation to charity,
	children will be asked to bring along tombola prize for the
	stall.
	~Mrs Waugh provided an update on PTFA bonus ball
	Facebook page which has been active again over recent

School Update (Christmas/Foodbank/Ongoing initiatives)	weeks. Current prize of Playstation, tickets are selling really well.  ~ PTFA will be able to contribute towards Santa gifts as normal.  ~ Christmas parties are scheduled to take place as follows - 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec P 1-3, 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec P4-5 and 21 <sup>st</sup> P6-7. There is the potential for increased numbers at party due to change in restrictions and then would be back to individual classes for snacks etc.  ~ There will be a Christmas surprise - with letters being sent home next week with details for costumes.  ~ Christmas jumper swap shop - similar to Halloween rail. Children will be able to bring in jumpers, with collections being taken from next week and then week after this, there will be a rail available outside school for parents to pick item at drop off/pick up times.  ~Foodbank update - has still be quiet in way of referrals. Unsure why there are reduced numbers of voluntary referrals. Key families have been targeted and when offered are happy to take up support but not many coming forward on their own. Suggestion of Google form submission to refer yourself to the foodbank, allowing for a private appt to be set up for collection of items. This may reduce stigma/embarrassment of potentially meeting other parents while at the bank. Would be slots set up throughout the day.  ~Washing machine now fully operational - advise unable to accept denation of tumble driver.
AOCB	accept donation of tumble dryer. ~ N/A
Date of next meeting	Tuesday 1 <sup>s†</sup> February 2022 - 6pm