Greenhills Primary School Parent Council

Minutes of Meeting 21st September 2018

Present: Elaine Johnston, Councillor Dryburgh, Anne Marie Kean, Kelly Carlin, Carol Gallacher, Megan Carvel, Joanne Gilchrist,

Apologies: Scott McPhilemy, Debbie Hutton, Carrie Ann Burt, Suzanne Campbell, Fiona Fadhli & Nicky Ballantyne

Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were agreed by Carol and seconded Kelly.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Head Teacher’s Report

Most recent newsletter had all dates for the calendar to the end of October 2018 and the next newsletter will have all dates up to and including Christmas.

Stay Play & Learn sessions for parents and children are taking place every Monday. Parents are giving good feedback and feel the children are enjoying the sessions.

Maths week took place last week and Health week taking place this week.

Both the library and numeracy workshops have now taken place and the evaluations have been collected from parents.

Parents meetings will be on Thursday 11th Oct 2018 and letters will be issued this week with a tear off slip for parents to indicate if they have a preference for an afternoon or evening appointment.

PEF money will be used to fund our Christmas Panto this year.

Digital Library – Three members of staff have now completed the training for the digital library and should be finished setting it up very soon. The children will take part in a competition to name the library and there will be an official opening.

Religious & Moral Education – Parents have the right to choose whether their children participate in Religious and Moral Education. If they decide that their children should not, they can send a letter to inform the school of this decision.

Manchester City Trip was a great success and the children all enjoyed themselves.

Visions and values from our Improvement plan are being put into language that young children will understand – this is being done by Mrs Marnie.

Breakfast Club

Councillor Dryburgh spoke about the newly formed breakfast club and how well it was running and how they had already established routines. She talked about how much the children seemed to be enjoying it and how polite they all were.
Treasurer’s Report

In the absence of Debbie Hutton, Anne Marie fed back to the group. Current bank balance is - £3148.82

AOCB

Children and parents loved the ‘Gary Dunn’ show although it wasn’t as well attended as hoped. Anne Marie suggested that they could maybe host a ‘Greatest Showman’ themed night for the next fund raiser.

Anne Marie and Carol both offered to be signatories on the Parent Council account. This was agreed at tonight’s meeting.

Kilbryde Coffee Morning - Carol, Debbie, Ruth, Julie & Cheryl have all volunteered to help to at the coffee morning. PC to come in to school at 3pm on Thursday to check what items still need to be bought.
A Kilbryde Hospice representative will hand in banners etc and the P1 – P7 pupils as well as the nursery children will perform at the event.

School Photographs – Tempest will be in school this Thursday to take the children’s individual and family photographs as well as a group one for both the P1 & P7 children

Community Tesco Grant – Carol suggested she could apply for this but needed to state a project in the application. The following suggestions were made: - Tree Area & Drainage, Areas for growing plants etc, Outdoor & Playground games, Painting of Playground, Buddy Benches, Story Telling Chair, Outdoor Classroom. Anne Marie informed the group that we are still waiting for permission from the landowner to put the trees back in. Carol can apply for either £1000, £2000 or £4000 depending on the project chosen.
Mrs Johnston told the group that prisoners from Shotts Prison could make items for the playground at a vastly reduced cost.

Auditing of Accounts – Clare Purfitt has agreed to audit both the School and Parent Council accounts and will let Mrs Fraser know when will be suitable.

Dress Down Day – There will be no dress down day this week.

Enterprise – Carol had asked about the Enterprise Group. Mrs Johnston explained that there were lots of groups taking place within the school such as Enterprise, Eco Health etc. Classes can take part in an Enterprise that can either be a money making venture or a non profit event.

Halloween Disco – Wed 24th Oct. P1 -P3 from 6pm – 7pm and P4 - P7 from 7.15pm - 8.15pm.

Christmas Fair – Wednesday 5th Dec 4.30pm – 6.30pm. Santa to be on the stage, all tables in the hall and teas and coffees to be served in the dinner hall

Next Meeting – Monday 29th Oct. Dates for further meetings to be confirmed.

Fund raising Meeting – Thursday 19th at 2pm. Carol and Megan will both attend.