Parent Council Meeting

Thursday 16th November 2023

Attendees:

Nicola Cheesman - Chair Maria McArthur - HT Stephanie Gordon Ashley McGhie Amanda Robinson Kerry Smith Lisa Waldron Catherine Kerr Sarah Johnstone Gillian Martin

Thanks you to all the parents that have come.

Last month's minutes read over and 1st and 2nd by Lisa and Kerry

Steph and Ashley hopefully going to take on the secretary role.

The constitution was discussed and everyone was happy to include the ELC and keep a nursery parent as the Chairperson so the constitution will be made accordingly through connect. Scot

Main Topic

<u>Christmas Fair - Taking place on Friday 9th Dec 3.30pm – 5.30pm</u>

Lucky dips sweets in a jar were recommended

It was decided that the hampers will be colour themed

118 children in primary and 12 ELC

ELC -red

P1- pink

P2/3-purple

P4/5- green

P6- blue

P7- rainbow

The budget is £5 per child for Christmas gifts

14 children for ELC and 28 for pr1&2 Mrs McArthur recommend to get one or two extra as back up and also requested non gender specific gifts for the children.

Haribo were used for Santa's grotto need about 200 packets

The school will put out note asking if anyone can help out on the lead up to the fair Monday-Thursday 3-6 all hands on Dec and whoever can help out on the Friday during the day Catherine and Lisa are going to organise paper cups for teas and coffees

Nicola mentioned about sending kids home with paper boxes to fill with home baking however that might be more expensive.

<u>A.O.B</u>

It was mentioned that maybe parent could contribute towards p7 hoodies but it was decided that it would be nicer for the children to all receive one

Mrs McArthur reported that the school has received funding for a breakfast club on a trial basis for ten weeks hopefully get a walking bus going from 08.15 and to get to school for 08.30 and breakfast provided this will be free of charge for the trial.

Stephanie suggested about if it was possible to rent out the school hall for a youth club which Mrs McArthur is sure you can do and is going to check the legal side of it and if Stephanie could maybe get some information or help from Michelle at centre 81.

It was reported that the school lighting is very poor when it's dark coming up the school to the main entrance.

Amanda suggested filling smarties tubes with 20p if children took a tube per family and all helped around the house doing kind acts or being helpful and get a 20p to fill up the tube

Ashley mentioned donations for school nativity and it was mentioned about getting photos of each child in the nativity for a donation to the school but it's going to be a lot more work

Next meeting - 11th January at 6pm