

Antonine Primary School

Parent Council Meeting

05.09.22

Welcome and Introductions

Apologies

Stephanie Broadway-Wedgwood

Present

House captain introductions/ parents

15 parents attended

Mrs McLaughlin, Miss Ross and Mrs McFarlane – staff attended

Zoom meetings in future – first face-to-face

Election of Office Bearers

Chair position – Stephanie Broadway-Wedgwood still happy to do this; Gary proposed she still leads, everyone happy for Stephanie to continue in role

Gary proposed to run as Vice Chair; everyone agrees

Treasurer – Gary proposed Karianne still takes this role; everyone agrees

Secretary role – minute taking, pulling together agendas, promoting the Parent Council on Twitter and All About Antonine, if no one volunteers tonight then we will minute this as such. Gary and Claire happy to discuss with whoever would like to take the position

Events committee; split into 3 – Kirsty to run discos; ad hoc stalls (e.g. Nativity) and Fayres – two other members required – speak to Louise Sutherland if interested

House Captains – School Improvement Plan

Children involved in choosing new House names last year, Latin names – more fitting with culture/ ethos at Antonine

Former P7 children involved in choosing new House Captains for this year in June 2022

School Improvement Plan shared by House Captains – children worked together to create posters to share our future plans with parents

1. Literacy – 4k PEF money spent on Talk4Writing scheme, huge improvement in reading and writing results; library development - reading is now a focus, with each class having their own 'reading spine'; spelling programmes to be reviewed along with handwriting
2. Developing the Young Workforce – skills, career development, P5-7 will be using My World of Work – skills based online programme with ideas for job being offered to children; Careers Fayre later in year; working on '7 habits' – helping children to be the best they can be
3. Assessment & Differentiation– sharing learning targets for staff, awareness of levels – developing an assessment framework for school – what is the purpose of assessment

4. STEM – science, technologies, engineering, mathematics – HwB, topic approaches – gaps in Science etc, working alongside Bonnybridge primary – create progressive planners which incorporates all

Standards and Quality Report will be shared with families this week – can be shared with parents/ carers

Community Choices Grant

New basketball area has proved to be a huge success with children
Back area of school has been transformed – friendship club/ outdoor learning / nurture area
Cheque to be sent and finalised
Continue to add to this area – money used to buy loose parts play and provide opportunity for open ended play

Homework, attendance and uniform

Adapted homework based on feedback from parents last year
Run for around 6 months – then review
P1 and P2 – jotters – Teams to be introduced for little ones around October time, but jotters will still be used to complete tasks
Attendance – letters issued October– traffic lighted letters – between 90 – 95 % amber, below 90 % red
Uniform has been a huge success – continue to promote at assembly/ in school newsletters etc.
Parents are happy with the new homework grids; primary 1 jotters much more manageable

Finance

Account – money from council not used to hire a clerk
£330 pounds paid in from council – Stephane to sign
Appointment with Gillian Tatton 06.09.22
£32k in other account (Community Grant to be taken)
Money from the Mushroom Trust, (a trust that donates money for community/ environmental work) - 6k issued in total – orchard, veg patch etc. – pupils work alongside adults to develop their grounds – some money left; amount to be confirmed
3537.85 in account – balance track and climbing wall to be purchased with funds, along with a set of goal for the younger children?
Outdoor play resources – all agreed £1500
Wall murals – static display – all agreed worthwhile looking into
Is maintenance plan still on schedule? To be looked into
Car park drainage still an issue – waiting on resolution

Fundraising

Halloween disco 25th October – letters to be issued before the holidays
Parents welcome to help out – group chat to be set up by Kirsty

Christmas Fayre date booked in diary – need someone to organise
Charity events will be limited this year – due to financial constraints on families

AOCB

'Bikeability' – possibility of this still running; sports leaders at Denny as a possibility –
Jacqueline to enquire at next HTs meeting

Account is approved

Next meeting online – Monday 14th November 7.00pm