



## DRUMOAK SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

29<sup>th</sup> October 2019, 1830

### MINUTES

#### 1. Apologies

Marion McNeil, Marion Slater, Vicky Anderson, Vicky Stewart, Susan Smithers, Donna Wallace

Present

Gillian McPetrie, Lyn Service, Jenny Currie, Leah McCaulay, Rebecca Hutcheon, Lynn Cowie, Ryan Mountain, Kirsty Lennox, Tanya Stopped, Malissa Fraser, Tonna Robertson, Emma Windle, Gemma Sutherland

#### 2. Chair's report

JC reported that she had attended a few training sessions with Connect Virtually.

- How to hold virtual meetings on teams
- 'What's our role now'- keep doing some school improvement plan; fundraising; helping schools communicate, eg. Facebook; continuing to build school community virtually, virtual noticeboard for school council and ?online workshops, eg. 'cook along with me'.
- Welcoming new families- eg. check that school council details are in school handbook, virtual coffee morning for school parents, p2 parents write to p1 parents.
- Director of Education- how teacher illness will affect schools, expecting more guidance on PE indoors and music. Some schools have had issues with lack of social distancing in playground but plenty of space in Drumoak.

JC also reported that there has been further concerns re road safety on Sunnyside Drive and the main road. Developer still owns JG road so the community council are involved in this. Following a suggestion from a parent the school are going to take part in Road Safety Week in November.

#### 3. Head teacher report

- No staffing changes. Addition of Zoe Anderson in nursery, she is a Modern Apprentice and will be there for two years, she doesn't count in the number ratios so is an extra pair of hands. PSA support unchanged but doing a return on pupil need in school.
- School role this year is 122 pupils, 22 in nursery.
- Children back to routine, focussing on literacy, numeracy, health and wellbeing and re- establishing the vision and values of the school and expectation of

behaviour at school. Covid- 19 risk assessments have taken up a lot of time but keeping up to date with that and all working well,

- Whole school assessment in literacy and numeracy done and results coming in from this. There is a recovery programme for those pupils that need it.
- Spellathon went well and will go towards key resources for literacy,
- Maths week- focused on teaching in context/ practical maths. Each class will had a topic and it went well.
- Health and Wellbeing- big focus, using SCARF- safety, caring, achievement, resilience and friendship.
- Improvement plan- looking at and adjusting this. This term focused on maths mastery, literacy and writing work. On- going work with learning journey journal- to be presented with folder in p7 with favourite pieces of work in it.

#### 4. Class Reps

JC previously sent a draft looking at whether it was worth having a rep from each year group who could link with pupil council, may be easier for parents to approach with anything they want brought up. Post meeting note- following a review of the SC members this year showed that all classes currently represented on SC, but JC will also put out a note in the school newsletter to see if anyone else would like to be involved.

#### 5. Fun Run

Advertised on Facebook and will be in school email also. Post meeting note- fun run was a great success, great fun had and approximately £500 raised for the school.

#### 6. Parent Survey

Can hopefully go ahead this year, Connect putting together guidance for this.

#### 7. Paypal

Paypal take 2.8% of funds and 30p per transaction, however despite this given Covid all agreed worth doing. DW, JC and GMc will always have accounts and anyone who is organising an event. LC has checked constitution and GMc will put together guidance for the use of Paypal. KL will d/w LC re type of bank account.

#### 8. AOCB

Lego club fundraiser- 100 squares

LMc- crisp packets for air ambulance stopped but LMc will check other fundraising ideas

LS will check re gladrags

LMc- asking if anything we can do to keep outdoor area clean, the environmental people coming to check it out and it will be weeded but just delayed at the moment, if parents want to arrange volunteers to clear up during football that is ok also. TS mentioned concern re longer grass at hill at back of school but LS reported that this area should not be used as environmental health checking it- some concern re dog fouling, deer living there ticks etc.

Further meetings- 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov, 19<sup>th</sup> Jan, 9<sup>th</sup> March, 4<sup>th</sup> May, 15<sup>th</sup> June 7:30pm virtually.