



Lanark Primary School & ELC Parent Council
Minutes from School Business Meeting
LPS Staff Room 6.15pm - 8pm
Monday 21st January 2019

1. Apologies
Gillian Thomson, Lianne Purdie, Karen Wills, Patricia West, Michelle Barr,
Jan Towers, Lianne Hughes, Marguerite Elkin
2. Minutes of last meeting – 29.10.18 were approved
3. Matters arising
Lynn proposed (Kerry Friel seconded) we offer Tea towels next Christmas as a fundraiser due to issues with late delivery of the Christmas cards from Christmas 2018. Towel groups split into ELC, P1-3, P4-7. We will raise our concerns with the card company about the late delivery and the difficulties we had with chasing our orders.
4. Financial Report
 - a. Lynn thanked Shirley for setting up on line banking.
 - b. £6274.79 in the bank with £2739 commitments including Scottish opera, Science resource license, lucky numbers and classroom challenge.
 - c. Christmas cards project made a profit of £565.60
 - d. Lucky numbers for Jan '19 -Robert Logan (47)
5. Head Teacher's report
 - a. Mrs Anderson is the new teacher starting in P1 and we wished Mrs Adamson luck in her new post in Arran.
 - b. There are 36 P1 enrolments with 2 children deferring, 2 applying for supported provision, 7 placing requests so far.
 - c. The PC were thanked for paying for the Scottish Opera which was a great success.

- d. The annual survey is due out at the end of Jan using the same feedback questions as last year to allow ease of comparison.
- e. Beat the street was discussed and the PC learned that pupils and parents will be issued with fobs to tap against the beat boxes on lampposts throughout Lanark. The aim is to improve health and encourage walking. It will run from 15th feb – 29th march.

6. Planned Roadworks

Farah shared the proposed road closures with the PC. They are due to commence 9.2.19 and could last until 17.2.19 closing Rhyber Avenue and The Marches. The information will be added to the School app.

7. Operational Improvement Planning

We unfortunately ran out of time for this to be discussed but it will be made a priority at the next meeting in March

8. Parental Engagement

This will be made a priority at the next meeting. Victoria will email all PC members with the 7 topics that Farah had prepared on the board to ask members to think about what we already do well (green) and what new ideas can we work on (pink). This will help to produce a Family learning Program. Topics include gathering feedback; groups/ committees; family learning; curricular information; ELC; Communication; Parental Involvement (volunteers)

9. Fundraising

- a. Confirm Lets dates for 2019
- b. Feedback from Gift Sale
- c. Scots night details
- d. Future events

10. Forrest School initiative

- a. Karen Dobbins shared with the PC the Forrest school initiative learning together, growing together that she has applied for through Tesco. These funded sessions will help multiple, small groups of children build their confidence and self esteem who

would benefit from extra outdoor learning sessions. It is possible that this will be in Tesco in the next few months and we are awaiting confirmation of acceptance to the fundraising blue tokens bags of help. Karen has asked the PC for help promoting this through social media.

- b. Karen also kindly informed the PC of the new city of play scheme that is being organized through the William Grant foundation. It is proposed to take place over the Easter holidays but logistics need finalizing. Karen is looking for 150 pallets to use during these sessions and volunteers to help

11. Discuss possibility of House Captains / Pupil representation at PC meetings

This was discussed and Farah felt that house captains could report on the pupil leadership teams at the next AGM. Parental permission slips would be needed.

12. Parental engagement box at reception

Lynn will order this box online and the school improvement group can decorate this

13. AOCB