



Torrance Primary School & Early Years Centre

Parent Council Minutes

Date: Tuesday 03 September 2024 @ 18:00

Location: Bocclair Academy

Present: Laura Browne (LB, Clerk), Laura Law (LL), Lynsey Slowman (LS), Gillian Bonar (GB), Cllr Lynda Williamson (LW), and Melody Buchan (MB)

Apologies: Euan MacMillan (EM), Lizzie O'Donnell (LO), Adam Mills (AM)

1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies

LB welcomed all to the meeting and noted attendance as above.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the May 2024 meeting were agreed.

- **ACTION:** LL to include poster within June school newsletter - **Complete**
- **ACTION:** LB to coordinate PC parent member running of clothing giveaway stall at Sports Day - **Complete**
- **ACTION:** LL, LB and EM to coordinate dates for next year's meetings – **Complete** (12 Nov, 14 Feb, 18 May)

3. Councillor's Report

LW welcomed back parents to the new school year. The next education council meeting will be in November. The agenda for the meeting will be regarding SQA results. East Dunbartonshire results were good overall.

Other updates from LW included:

- LW updated that there has not been an application submitted to the Council regarding the plans for starting a monthly Farmers Market in Torrance at the War Memorial.

4. Head Teacher's Report

LL talked through the Head Teacher's report, which covered the following areas:

- Staffing update
- Committees
- Parent/Community volunteers
- School uniform
- School Improvement Plan Priorities
- EYC

LL provided an update on staffing and recruitment. Committees are in progress with the Eco Committee's remit becoming more focussed. The aim for the allotment is to run separately to the Eco Committee and to increase the community links over this school year. LL is looking for volunteers for the school football and netball teams. In order to participate in a tournament, the teams must have had a minimum of four training sessions leading up to a tournament.

Looking ahead, school uniform is to be a priority focus as there are currently too many options available, often making it unclear what is expected for school uniform. The school values are reflected equally across each classroom and the uniform should have the same consistency. LL suggested that the PC could provide support in this area over the coming academic year. School uniform discussion will be included in the agenda for the next meeting.

- **ACTION:** PC to advertise for volunteers for the netball and football team. LS to speak to parents who may wish to volunteer for netball.
- **ACTION:** LB to add 'School uniform discussion' to the next PC meeting agenda
- **ACTION:** Uniforms from the FAIRness room will be available at Meet the Teacher and Parents night. The aim will be to let more parents know about the room and what is available for all children and families. LB will create a poster to advertise for Halloween costumes that can be included in the FAIRness room. MB will contact Babes in the Woods to let them know about the availability of Torrance Primary uniforms. LS to co-ordinate uniform and Halloween costumes at Meet the Teacher

5. **Correspondence**

LB updated that no correspondence had been received through the PC email account.

6. **AOB**

Parent Council is currently full. Minutes can be found on the school website and any agenda items can be raised with members of the committee.

The school has joined the ASDA Rewards scheme until November 30th. All parents are encouraged to join. In a short space of time, £118 has been raised for the school.

Another advertisement for Easy Fundraising should go out to parents:

- **ACTION:** LL to coordinate Easy Fundraising email to parents

7. **DoNM**

Tuesday 12th November 2024

To be held at Boclair Academy at 6pm