

Parent Council Meeting 09/02/2020

Chair – Emma Douglas

Minutes – Lyndsey Stein

Apologies – Lorena Mombelli

In Attendance – Mrs Angus, Miss Norquoy Donna McLeary, Juliet Redmond, Lyndsey Stein, Emma Douglas, Rhona Tait, Jillian Jamieson, Kirsti Waddell, Gayle Bowes.

Just Giving page discussed – Mrs Angus discussed with the PSA who were seeking clarification on what the purpose of this would be. GB provided clarification on purpose being to donate to school funds, dress down days etc with just giving rather than children taking cash into school, especially during restrictions. Mrs Angus will take this back to PSA to discuss.

Back to school arrangements –

P1 – 3 starting back after the feb mid term break. Bubbles will remain in place as they were prior to lockdown. P4 – 7 will remain home learning on teams. Date for p4 -7 returning to in school learning is unknown at present.

Live interaction sessions discussed for p1 – 3 however this is on hold as they will be returning to in school learning very soon (22nd Feb)

Engagement with home learning appears very high this lockdown. Teachers are able to see activity from seesaw and teams and reports from parents and children is that the kids are enjoying the feedback they are receiving from teachers online.

Parents night – resources for a virtual parent's night are being evaluated and staff training sessions are being planned in the hopes for a virtual parents night mid / end March. Info will be out soon re this.

Nursery –

Extra hours to start after Easter. Staggered starts and finishing times are planned for nursery. Communication will be out re this after the Feb long weekend.

Nursery transition plans are in place to try to keep this as close to 'normal' as possible.

Head teacher update –

Remote learning – going well, positive feedback from teachers re interactions with pupils. Rates of engagement are very high.

P4 – 7 live sessions are successful. Teachers are continually seeking new resources for these.

Training will be taking place for teachers for planning a virtual parent's night.

All staff are looking forward to getting the pupils back in school.

A rota is in place for teachers remote working and in school for key workers and vulnerable children.

Miss Foote is covering Mr Kerr's role as acting PT.

West Lothian Parents forum meeting on Thursday 11th feb at 7pm virtually via skype for business.

Anyone who wants to attend should register interest by emailing

EducationCustomerServices@westlothian.gov.uk

Results from the recent surveys will be available at the next meeting.

Date of next meeting = 30th March 2021 6pm.

Chair – Donna McLeary

Minutes – Lyndsey Stein