



St Bernadette's Parent Council Meeting

Minutes from Meeting on 17th December 2024

Attendees: Charlotte Larkin (chair), Rachel O'Reilly, Mrs M Savage, Louise O'Rourke, Mike Kelly.

Apologies: Fr Ajeesh, Mrs A Duncan, Mrs L Edwards, Joanne Harley, Adam Tarbet, Jennifer Walker.

Item	Action req'd
<p>Attendees/ Apologies</p> <p>All the above people were in attendance with apologies received from those noted.</p>	
<p>1. Minutes of Last Meeting</p> <p>Minutes of last meeting (29th October 2024) distributed.</p>	
<p>2. Update by Chair (Charlotte)</p> <p>Charlotte highlighted following items from Connect Newsletter issued by Falkirk Council, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Religious Observance and Religious Education in schools review • Additional Support for Learning - plans and report <p>Newsletter will be distributed to Parents as it contains some useful information.</p> <p>Lack of clarity on the Asymmetric week proposals within Falkirk Council – some reports suggest it has now been shelved but further investigation/insight required from Education Services.</p> <p>Jennifer Walker is seeking someone to take on her role with the 200 Club. Charlotte asked Council member to consider Succession Planning and how key roles may be filled in the future. Further discussion required at future meetings</p>	<p>Chair to place item on future agenda</p>
<p>3. Finances (Louise)</p> <p>Account balances £520 in main account. £1,976 in fundraising account. £3,070 in 200 Club.</p> <p>Total = £5,566</p> <p>(NB projector has been fully installed and invoice paid (£5,500).</p> <p>Audit of Accounts has been completed and passed to Falkirk Council</p>	<p>Chair to place item on future agenda</p>

4.	<p>Fundraising (Rachel) More support for Fundraising Committee has been forthcoming following recent appeal for support.</p> <p>Playground Games – big success raising around £1,600.</p> <p>Disco – particularly enjoyed by younger children but older children a little disappointed. Alternative DJ will be sought for the Short n Shades disco in June.</p> <p>200 Club – few spare numbers still remain but many have been taken by Parents of P1 children</p> <p>2 Main events will be held during remainder of this School year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Race night – 28th February 2025 • Shorts ‘n’ Shades disco in June 2025 	Chair to place item on future agenda
5.	<p>Headteacher Update (Mrs Savage)</p> <p>Mrs Savage highlighted following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School has been very busy in run-in to Christmas – concerts have received excellent feedback from everyone who attended • ASDA cashback was used to fund in-school pantomime for the Children. This was a most worthwhile initiative, raising in excess of £600 • School Values – Mrs Savage distributed copies of the proposed School Values documents (FAR – Faith, Aspiration, Respect) which has been distributed to parents for consultation • School Buses have been more reliable in last few weeks • Car Park behaviour has seen slight improvement but still some issues experienced 	Chair to place item on future agenda
6.	<p>AOB</p> <p>Proposed dates for future PC Meetings are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday 28th January 2025 @ 18.00 • Tuesday 18th March 2025 @ 18.00 • Tuesday 6th May 2025 @ 18.00 • Tuesday 17th June 2025 @ 18.00 	Chair to place item on future agenda

Date of the next meeting: **Tuesday 28th January 2025 @ 6:00pm.**