Dunvegan parent Council Meeting 25th May 2023

Agenda Items	Minutes	Action
 Apologies Previous Meeting 	Present: Kristina Kontou, Corrie Robertson, Anna Campbell, Sam Muir (HT), Haley Finnan, Catherine Matheson Rachel o' Connor, Mali Messant, Sandy McPhee, Marion MacGregor Apologies: Sandra Thatcher	
3. Stakeholder	Stakeholder meeting now a public meeting to focus on pitch as well as school. Plans will go ahead to get us to Stage 3 by June. No funding for pitch by Sports Scotland, although there seems to be some confusion over application details. Mali raised point it might be idea for PC to make an ally with football club regarding planning applications	
	19 th June public meeting online – could we ask for in person meeting in hall as well as or instead of online	AC to contact Jenny MacRae
4.	** Amendment to previous minutes ** £2624.30 before leavers hoodies and Easter eggs. Closing balance was £2377.07 SM asked whether PC could buy nursery playhouse and climbing frame this term. PC paying for it means we can shop around and use different companies rather than requisition companies. It was agreed to go ahead and firm up some options. Check with JS re: funds	AC to discuss with JS
5. Gaelic intervention	Feedback from nursery staff that N5 children are enjoying immersion and learning activities. Positive impact. Pi enjoying focused level teaching. Across the board positive impact for all children in GM. Next session: gather views of parents and evaluate intervention. HT has requested additionality in terms of staffing - 2 full time teachers and a parttime post. Workforce	

planning trying to make it possible. If we are granted additionality staffing would be Marion MacGregor - in nursery every morning then GM5-7 x3 afternoons
Josie Macleod P1-4 every day
Rhoda Whatley - part-time

CR and AC raised that yet again P5-76M would have different teachers and there is no continuity. SM said she would take that forward and think about it when she looks at staffing. She told parents that 2 teachers would be responsible for their own planning and lessons so there would be continuity there.

CR raised concern about teachers' health conditions and what if she went off again. SM said that's something we cannot foresee but if the situation did arise, we would still have 2 full-time GM teachers. SM again reassured parents that if anything was to happen, we can change the model and will ensure that all children are catered for. SM will send questionnaire to all GM parents to gain feedback.

KK asked how intervention was being evaluated. SM reported that children have sat baseline assessments and we will assess again at end of term. P1,4,7 are sitting national assessments at the moment. Class teachers can see progress in acquisitional language and in their work. Next session parents will receive monthly updates and we will be looking to engaging more with families and wider community.

KK also asked if parents could receive more support materials. SM said that this will come next session and reported that we are now working with the North cluster GM schools - Staffin/Kilmuir - on resources

SM/MMacG

6. Playground

SM to e-mail parents regarding playground rules. School had made decision on health and safety grounds that children were not to be in mucky areas. Some areas out of bounds due to dangers e.g pond, electricity pylon, free flowing water, and traffic. Grass being reseeded at the moment. KK asked who was supervising children. SM reported there were always at least 2 PSAs in playground and at times teachers or HT herself. School role is not big enough to warrant a

SM

	playground supervisor. SM said that since reducing area of playground complaints regarding behaviour have decreased. SMacP said she felt that since incidents have decreased that was a positive and clearly having a reduced area in playground was having a clear impact.	
	Sports Some parents had raised concern regarding lack of sports on offer at breaks. Staffing had been a hindrance here. ML had asked if they could have football at lunchtimes. Class teachers have offered to do football at lunchtime twice a week. AC said we should be encouraging other games on top pitch not just football. HF asked regarding volunteers to do sports etc. SM said school would welcome any volunteers from community to do sports, clubs etc. Walk a mile - not being done at the moment as we need to focus on missed learning from Covid/strikes and bad weather closures. Moving forward we are looking at 15 mins of daily	
7. Carpark	exercise. KK carpark too small and wondered whether it was a possibility to have carparking extended. SM	SM to
	said she thought this was a good idea and is meeting Dorothy Gibb next week and will discuss this.	Dorothy Gibb
	HF wondered whether taxis could park somewhere else in afternoon. SM is going to look at this issue and discuss with drivers.	SM to discuss with taxi drivers
8. Breakfast Club	KK raised issue of gaining access to school for fridge or have fridge in canteen itself. SM said it cannot be in canteen itself as there is not enough room for it. A fob will be put in key safe at door for helpers to gain access to school	SM
9. Fundraising	Show Dance - 29 th July Claire MacDonald has got show dance to raise money for nursery. She has personal license and people for stewards. She's waiting to hear from bands. Money will need to come out of PC account to pay for alcohol and then reimbursed through profit.	
	Shout out for helpers - Hayley, Paul, Sandy, Marion and Anna	

	PC could do facepainting. CM asked if we could collaborate with Playpark committee to see what they're doing. MM said we had our own face paints	
10. Update from school	Staffing Rhoda on phased return at the moment. Communication Seesaw being used for communication with parents. Profile of school needs to be Website to be improved upon. Current Facebook page to be used for PC communication. SM to make new page to promote school. AC asked to become admin of current school page.	мм
11. AOCB	AC asked if all people on meeting could email details to PC email address to ensure everyone gets minutes.	ALL
12. Next meeting	TBC	