



Minutes of ECPC Meeting

Date: 18/01/2023

Present: Sheila Scott, Helen Cormack, Alison Gordon, Caroline Wilkinson (Chair), Jenny Steele, Louisa Lennen, Honorata, Patrick Walsh, Steph Ruthven, Jenni Pullen, Jan, Arantxa.

	Agenda Item	Action
1	<p>Welcome from Caroline Wilkinson – Co Chair</p> <p>GOOD NEWS STORY! - Maggie the TheraPet – great success!</p>	
2	<p>Review updates and actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parent Council still looking for a treasurer (main task is keeping track of allowance from council). East Craigs have been asked to set up a finance committee. These committee meetings will take place once a term and be on TEAMS or in person (and will be usually held before 6pm). The purpose of having a volunteer on the finance committee is that there is parental voice when discussing the school budget. - All other actions were noted as completed 	<p>Any parent who is interested in being on the Finance Committee and/or ECPC Treasurer can contact Sheila Scott or the ECPC mail</p>
3	<p>Head Teacher’s Update: https://sway.office.com/W9LrnZiYVriokzYJ?ref=Link</p>	
4	<p>Uniform Exchange/Halloween Exchange</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The idea of a Qually (P7 dance) clothes exchange was suggested and the group agreed this was a good idea. - Consider having a rail in P7 building so children can pick something discretely and/or an opportunity when the school is open eg parents evenings 	<p>School staff to find a suitable time and place to store and ask the uniform exchange volunteers to support this initiative</p>
5	<p>Class organisation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sheila Scott (SS) confirmed that the classes can change size and shape right until the start of term, so decisions tend not to be made until nearer the end of term - After P1 induction period when school know the numbers enrolled, SS comes up with a proposal which is submitted to the council who approve or recommend changes - SS is still waiting for confirmation and expecting minimal change to classes this year (apart from P1/2 which usually 	<p>SS to ask class teachers to explain to children about why the children are sometimes segregated in the playground (It was felt some classes didn’t get an opportunity to play with their peers in</p>

	<p>needs reorganising due to class size increasing after P1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SS did mention if any child very unhappy and anxious about class to raise with the teacher - School managing the playground by rota due to the space that is available 	the same year)
6	<p>Employability Week</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Careers Week happened for a while and was really successful. Many parents came in and talked about their jobs. - Green Careers Week will be our focus this year and Mrs Cormack is working on this plan 	School staff will take forward for Term 4
7.	<p>Performance Improvement Plan and Data</p> <p>SS confirmed that at the end of 2021-22 session, P1/4/7 - % achieving a Curriculum for Excellence level were considerably increased from previous year.</p> <p>Writing is an area that EC is focusing on, in order to raise attainment.</p> <p>Attainment meetings are held 3 x per year, where each pupil's progress discussed, and supports/strategies reviewed.</p> <p>Children's performance is assessed and compared across schools in P1/4/7. The diversity of each year group can impact results significantly.</p> <p>We're compared against other schools (Edinburgh average) and we also have comparator schools – similar Socio Economic Status, % of English as a first language, size.</p>	
8.	<p>PTA Update - Next meeting is 2nd February on Teams.</p> <p>Proposed events (TBC)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Feb BINGO night – 22nd Feb 2. Easter Discos – before the holidays 29th March 3. Summer Fair – 3rd June <p>Needing new members for the PTA!</p>	
	<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agree meeting for next ECPC meeting - Wednesday 26th April meeting and will have that in school - Jenny Pullen nominated and voted in and as co-chair: congratulations and welcome! - Suggestion for any updates to teaching staff to be included in HT update as appropriate 	

