Durris Primary School Parents Council Ordinary Meeting 20 Feb 2025 7pm

Online via Teams.

Draft Minutes.

Katrina Gray (Chair), Claire Wallace (HT), Catriona Woodburn, Sarah Stewart, Dawn Rippiner, Lynne Watson, Yi-pei Chou Turvey (minutes)

1.Agree previous minutes from previous meeting: agreed

2. Headteacher report

-PSA with us till at least Easter holidays.

-Feedback asked from parents on homework, Just2Easy, parent teacher meetings, (in day or after school, phone or in person)

-Homework: split feedback from families, 25hours of classes in the week so will keep on doing it, by Just2Easy rather than email. Good for the parents to know what is going on at school too.

CWood: Just2Easy is not user friendly for the children to use either. CWall: unfortunately, it's the only approved platform by Education services/SG. YC added that it is not possible to load a video, Action - CWall plan to have a session with new parents of P1-2 next year.

Attendance and statutory care of school: parents are contacted if attendance falls under 90 percent. Research shows that there are more than academic issues but important for socialisation etc. increased since Covid19, not back on pre-Covid19 level. CWood: different reasons can be possible from professional experience. What can be done to help. CWall: looking for pattern, help to the families from the school level. YC added that it may be easier for unwell kids to stay at home with parents working from home.

Award: Respectful School Gold assessment in July, will be asking for some parental/community input.

3. Treasurer report: £56 CG phoned the bank last week about the fees, need to change bank. Contacted Christine about money from council, we are getting money

from last year and this year's PC allocation. SS proposed to get the one bank account proposed by Gillian, seems to work well. KG proposed to ask Katie Reeve for planning for the future, CWood is also able to step in.

Football fee to be updated, PTA account healthy, earmarked most of payment to wishes, and more to come after the afternoon tea event.

a. Discuss bank account options: see above

b. Update from council (If responded): see in the treasurer section about Council funding for PC.

4. Subgroups discussion following pre circulated updates/reports (D.F, D.D, D.Da, PTA) TO BE ADDED

5. Separate items of business: none

a. Review policies: CWood: PVG legislation will change from April. More/Most people will need a PVG to cover. 3 months grace period till summer, then when school start again need to be covered, may consider to add PVG forms to School welcome pack to new parents joining school. KG to add Cwood to all the WhatsApp groups to be able to update with the parent helpers needing to be in order with PVG. ACTION: for the subgroups leaders to check the PVG needed for the groups plus prepare for after summer new intakes. LW propose to be the second PVG check person being able to be in person across the 2 settings.

i. Equality and fairness: inclusivity of the Parent Council to the community, to be discussed in future.

NEXT MEETING: 1st of May, on Teams, 7pm