

ST. DOMINIC'S RCPS & ELC Parent Council Meeting

LOCATION: St Dominic's RCPS & ELC DATE: 3rd November 2022 @ 6pm

PRESENT:

Ashley King (AK) Maria Beck (MB) Joanne Day (JD) Maryann Konczak (MK) Zoe Collins (ZC)

Canon Shields (CS) Mrs Hunter (LH) Mrs Gornall (FG)

APOLOGIES:

Alice Crowley (AC)
Louise Barnett (LB)
Louise Chisholm (LC)
Tracy Wright (TW)
Deirdre Scott (DS)
Jen Campbell (JC)
Susannah Murdoch (SM)
Ilona Henderson (IH)
Kevin Maxwell (KM)
Maxine Ottolini (MO)



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1	Opening Prayer		

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	Thank you, Canon Shields, for our opening prayer to begin the meeting.			
2	Welcome & Apologies Welcome to all our new class reps and helpers. We now have a full quota which should help communications with all parents.			
3.	Previous Minutes The Minutes of the previous Parent Council held in September 2022 have been published and were agreed by all members.			
4.	Actions carried over: N/A			
5.	Financial Update Final signatures have now been gathered and all paperwork from the historical bank account has been submitted. Once all the monies are brought together future events and expenditures should be much easier to plan. Quiz night was a super success with £425.12 raised, less £13.33 in expenses and £60 kept for a float for future events. This leaves an income of £351.79 PKC annual funding for running of parent council – AC is seeking clarification if this could be used for PVG checks. Looking into possibly the purchase of a laptop for the sole use of the PC. Cost of P1 homework bags and P7 leavers gifts will still be a priority for fundraising.	AC - Ongoing AC - Ongoing		
6.	Fundraising and Social events Quiz night went really well and a fantastic night was had by all. A big thank you to all the parent council members that gave their time to organise. It was attended by parents, family members, previous school pupils and members of the local community.			

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	A member of a local band was present at the quiz and offered to play some music with the proceeds from ticket sales going back into the fundraising pot. This will take place in January and will be a good opportunity for parents to meet in a sociable surrounding and enjoy some good tunes. It also has the potential of a possible family BBQ with more live music next year.			
7.	Parent Voice			
	(A) Structure of school and ELC day Mrs Hunter has started the process by contacting Karen Robertson (Services Manager) and is awaiting a response. Transport and Tayside Contracts also need to be consulted as part of this process.	EH - Ongoing		
	(B) Uniform Supplier No feedback received from families yet on orders placed with the new supplier.			
	(C) Music PKC have withdrawn specialist and peripatetic teachers and have introduced music programme 'Charanga' that class teachers are responsible for teaching. This includes rhythm, percussion and strings.			
	Additionally, music continues throughout the school. Hymns are sung regularly and with Christmas approaching there are regular rehearsals for the show.			
	St Dominic's is also part of the NYCOS Voicemale Singing Project taking place this month. Miss McCrossan continues with Recorder club and Mrs Brogan leads a singing group who link with Richmond House on a regular basis via Teams.			
8.	School Topics			
	(A) Roads			
	A gentle reminder to parents that the area opposite the main entrance is not owned by the school or PKC and likewise the dirt road to the rear of the school is a non-adopted road and areas are owned by residents. Parents need to be aware that for both safety and good relations to please be polite if vehicles need passed and to turn engines off while waiting.			
	With the darker evenings parents are also reminded of the need to come into the playground to meet children and asked to be mindful at the front crossing as it is a very busy road at times			

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	with busses stopping and vehicles entering and exiting the park openings.			
	(B) Communication			
	Please can parents remember to check emails daily as the first point of call to ensure correct information is being received. We are coming into a busy period with lots of different activities happening. Class reps to try and filter information through the WhatsApp class groups and parents/carers encouraged to check the St Dominic's Facebook page if they are able to do so.			
8.	Parish Matters			
	Canon shared an update on the Church Hall improvement discussions and investment to bring the hall up to standard. It would be lovely once everything is completed for the hall to be used for PE.			
	Canon confirmed the continued focus on strengthening the link between the Parish and Parents, with the ask that any parents of children who wish to celebrate their Sacraments need to have a conversation with him directly.			
	St Fillan's Parish will hold a Christmas Fayre on 11 th December. Monies raised will be used for the restoration of the Parish Hall. All are very welcome to attend.			
9.	AOB			
	With no other business the meeting closed at 6.35pm			
Date of Nex	xt Meeting: February 7th 2023 @ 6pm in the School Hall			