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Minute of Meeting of Holy Family Primary School Parent Council

Venue: Holy Family and St. Ninian's Parish Hall

Date: 15 November 2022

Item 1 – Prayer

Meeting was opened with school prayer

Item 2 – In Attendance:

Mark Farrell – Chair
Andrew Gallagher – Head Teacher
Nicola McGee – Depute Chair
Marie McGovern
Sarah Breslin
Frances Breslin Davda
Hilda Quail

Item 3 – Apologies

Leonie Moran
Julie O'Brien
Carolina Poggie
Matthew Platt
Liam Docherty – Teacher

Item 4 – Minute of Last Meeting – Corrections

There were no corrections or amendments. The Minute of the last meeting was agreed.

Item 5 – Update from Head Teacher

Mr. Gallagher provided an update on the school as follows:
The focus for the rest of the term would be Sacraments, Nativity, Christmas in that order.
The MUGA is progressing well however the recent rains have highlighted an issue with run off and drainage in the area. The topsoil will be laid in the New Year.

A proposal to change the order of reporting and parents' nights was put to the council with the March Parents' meeting pushed back to May and an interim report produced in March instead of the detailed report in June.

Item 6 – PVG Issues

Following on from the recent inspection the council sought clarity over the situation regarding parental involvement and PVG's

The council was informed that EDC was looking into this as it had an impact beyond education.

The expectation is that guidelines will be in place early new year.

Item 7 – School Choir

Children in the choir have been given music and songs to learn at home. The P7 choir will be competing in a competition in the new year.

Item 8 – P 7 transition

P7 currently receiving maths lessons from teachers at St. Ninian's. STEM ambassadors from the school are also visiting the primary and there will be a 2 day visit next year.

Item 9 – A.O.C.B.

A variety of issues regarding access to the school were raised and included:
Accidents and slippages on the temporary caps on the stairs from Boghead Road.
Dog fouling on Christine's way.

It was decided that the stair status from Boghead Road needed to be raised with EDC again and it has been added as a standing item on the agenda. **(Action : Mark)**

Parental feedback on the school photographs and the props was conveyed to Mr. Gallagher.

There was a discussion around the timing of when the sacrament of reconciliation would be administered to the current P3 in 2023.

The parent council expressed their appreciation to Hilda for her work in preparing the children for their sacraments with the sacrament club.

Nicky would be representing the Parent Council at the EDC parent forum 22nd November

Date of Next Meeting – 17th January 2023

MF 26/11/2022