



Hanover Street School
Parent Council Meeting
28th of May 2018 at 9:15 am
Minutes

Attendees: Julie-Anne (chair), Mr Markey (HT), Miss Forbes (DHT), Afolabi (vice chair), Jocelyn (PTA), Cllr Hutchison and Saima (additional vice chair & secretary)

Apologies: Zoe (Treasurer), Rhoda, Abigail, Stephanie, Cllr Henrickson

1. Welcome

Julie-Anne welcomed everyone

2. Matters arising

- GDPR
Mr Markey and Miss Forbes explained about General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). It's updated and details are shared on school website to be seen by all parents.

- Online Child Sexual Exploitation – discuss parental engagement strategies
Miss Forbes explained about it. Details are shared on school website.
The PC discussed the school's current methods of sharing information about Online Safety (Workshops, Pop up stands, Letters etc.) We will aim to gather information about such issues as a parent council – possible simple survey?

3. Head Teacher's updates

- HT post

Head Teacher's interview is scheduled for mid-June 2018.

- Salvation Army Donations

15 bags of donations received with high quality toys and stationery.
Nursery will have first choice and other classes to get that.
Whatever left will be donated to the school fair for raffle prizes, etc.

- Outdoor Project

Lot of work is going on outdoor activities.

- Tree trunks, indoor seats, tables for outside and inside, soil for planting.
- Tyres to be used as flower pots, which students are involved in designing and creating. Tyres and crates to be used for learning activities. Pots and pans to be used to create different sound experiences for children.
- Fences and shed equipment to be sourced
- Bottle tops appeal for parents to donate for making plastic pictures.

- Connecting Cultures project

Mrs Murray will be taking the lead on this.

Ideas will be gathered from pupils and staff and families as well.

- French (1+2 languages) showcase

French showcase will be planned for and aimed to be carried out before the end of this term.

- P7 Activities Week

P7 are planning some activities e.g. going to Cinema, Codona's, etc.

They are fundraising by themselves e.g. for transport.

Mr Markey asked Parent Council members to contribute as well for some of the activities. This was agreed.

- Regional Improvement Collaborative (Northern Alliance)

Mr Markey explained about the Northern Alliance Work streams and priorities.

Priority1: Improvement in attainment, particularly literacy and numeracy.

Priority 2: Closing the outcome gap between most and least disadvantaged children

Priority 3: Improvement in children and young people's health and well being

Priority4: Improvement in employability skills and sustained, positive school leaver destinations for all young people.

- Clubs/Wider Achievement/Hanover Defenders

- Julie-Anne is running doodle club starting next week.

- Chess club for P3-P7.
- Active Schools
- Knitting Club

Other ideas were discussed about other clubs and parents involvement in it. Examples were football club, after school clubs.

Mr Markey explained about Hanover defenders as a part of a new anti-bullying policy. They are supposed to report back to the teachers and staffs about any bullying incidents happen in school. Some pupils from P6/7 will get training as Hanover Defenders starting next term.

4. **Treasurer update**

- Finalising /auditing of last year's accounts have been successfully completed. Thank you to Martha, Afolabi's wife for finalising and auditing these.

£2,712.20 is current account balance.

5. **PTA update**

- Summer Fair preparations

Summer Fair is planned on 9th of June 2018. Bouncy castle booked.

- Summer disco and sports day details

Summer disco is planned on 26th of June 2018.

For P1-P3 at 6-7 pm and for P4-P7 at 7.15-8.15 pm.

Sports day is planned on 14th of June 2018.

- Updates about Parent Council members photos to be displayed on school notice board

Julie-Anne is working on it.

- Delivery of thank you cards update- compliment slips

Compliment slip design approved. Miss Forbes will work with groups of children to write and send them.

6. **Chair's Community Update**

No Updates

7. **AOCB**

- Lollypop ladies' retirement party

Ideas discussed to arrange retirement party and gifts for both lolly pop ladies retiring.

- School parking issue

Idea of visitors parking passes for Fredrick Street discussed. Julie-Anne is seeking further advice.

- Risk Assessment

Risk assessment to be reviewed and completed (with addition of bouncy castle information) and Julie-Anne to be allocated first aider on the day.

- School Library

£4500 in account to spend on library items.

8. **Date and Time of next meeting**

Next Parent Council will be on 26th of June 2018 at 2.15 pm in School.