



Hanover Street School
Parent Council Meeting
1st of November 2018 at 3.30 pm
MINUTES

Attendees: Abigail (chair), Mr Markey (HT), Miss Forbes (DHT), Mr Michael Hutchison (Councillor), Saima (Secretary), Zoe (Treasurer), Jocelyn and Jodi (PTA).

Apologies: Afolabi.

1. Welcome

Abigail welcomed everyone

2. Matters arising

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

Working on it.

- **Online safety**

Harlaw academy has made an application for funding for the whole ASG. Training sessions will be delivered to the staff and pupils about online safety.

- **P1-P3 Lines**

Re painted. All sorted.

3. Head Teacher's updates

- Visible Learning

Mr Markey and Miss Forbes explained it. Visible Learning is not about behaviour but the actual skills persons have and that visible learning is not just about the child but for all of us. Staff will be trained on the in-service day on 16th of November. Parental survey will be done as well.

- Curriculum Resources

- Mr Markey requested Parent Council members to donate for numeracy resources, called Numicon. Parent Council members happily agreed to it. Miss Forbes showed example resources to the Parent council.

- School Library

Volunteers are needed to work on it in different ways before and after school day to pull a library in shape as soon as possible.

- Pupil Council

Couple of new pupils have joined the pupil council.

Mr Markey requested to increase the working together between the Parent Council and Pupil Council. The member/s of Parent Council should attend the Pupil Council meetings.

Parent Council members happily agreed to it.

- Hanover Defenders

They have been trained by Harlaw defenders.

- Head Teacher Advertisement

Interview for the Head Teacher's post for Hanover School will be on 29th of November 2018.

- Citizenship Award

Late Miss Moir's sister donated that award in her memory. This will be presented to pupils on an Annual basis. This award is for those who uphold the values of the school.

- Children in Need

There will be a "bring and buy" sale and proceeds will be given to children in need charity. Child in Need day is on Friday 16

November, but due to this being an INSET, the sale will take place on Thursday 15. Letters have already been given, with the exemplary list of items that can be donated and the school staff will sort them out.

Parents Council is participating as well for collecting donations for children in need. E.g. by doing Stalls.

4. Treasurer update

- **Account Updates**
Current balance = £3929.05

5. PTA update

- **Autumn disco updates**
Event went well.
- **Book Fair**
It is rearranged to 4th of December. It's "Scholastics" 1/2 price book fair.
- **Winter Fair**
It is planned on 24th of November with Stalls, Games, Tattoos, Tea, Coffee, Home Bakes, Savoury, Sweets, Bumper Prizes etc. Santa will be coming as well.
- **Christmas Fair Agent - Community Association Request**
Hanover Community Association agents requested their presence on winter fair to make people aware of what they are and what they do. Mr Markey asked the Parent Council if they are happy with that and Parent Council members said yes.

6. AOCB

- **Panto**
Panto arrangement requested by Jocelyn. This is now finalised and will be shared with parents and children nearer the time.

- **Child care**
Abigail talked about before and after school child care. There is now only one childminder in the school area who does drop-off/pick up.
- **Breakfast Club**
Breakfast club idea was discussed. Survey will be done.
- **Air Quality**
Abigail raised this issue. Mr Markey discussed the student research that has been undertaken by the University of Aberdeen and is awaiting a report.

7. Date and Time of next meeting

Next Parent Council will be on 6th of December 2018 at 3:30pm in School.