MINUTE OF MATTOCKS PARENT COUNCIL MEETING ON 21 FEBRUARY 2013 AT 7.30 PM

WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

ACTION

The following were in attendance:-

Gill Brady Tracey Nicol
Amy Mutten Sandra Chadwick

Karen Gerrard Claire Bee

Gillian Kettles

Georgina Mallie Eilidh Johsnton
Kirsten McLean Sandra Donnachie

Apologies were received from Ruth Dunbar, Sarah-Jane Baldwin, Simone Webster, Vikki Nicoll and Janice Fyffe

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The minutes were proposed by Gill Brady and seconded by Amy Mutten.

MATTERS ARISING

Outdoor Area

Plans have been drawn up for the outdoor area and the application form submitted to Awards 4 All. However, the application had been unsuccessful due the number of applications they had received at this time. Some discussion took place as to what other funding could be applied for, Big Lottery fund and Angus Council Community Grants, these were to be investigated further.

Gill Brady

Christmas Movie Night

This evening was a success and all the children who came had enjoyed it.

SCHOOL HANDBOOK

Georgina Mallie reported that the handbook had been completed on time and was now on both the Angus Council and the school website. It was hoped new parents/families would use the website to access the handbook and there are lots of hyperlinks within the handbook. Mrs Mallie expressed her thanks to all who had helped with the new handbook.

PARENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE MEETING

This meeting was being held on 27 February 2013 at Woodlands Primary School, Carnoustie, Gill Brady is to attend the meeting and will feedback at our next meeting.

CHRISTMAS SHOW

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the Christmas show, the children were very good and parents reported that it had a real community event feel to it, as it had been held in Wellbank Hall. The raffle raised £108.84 less £44.34 for the teas, coffees, juice and snacks. The school raised £326.00 from the donations for the tickets. Thank you to everyone who helped on the night and to escort the children to and from the hall for

Gill Brady

rehearsals.

SCHOOL HOURS

Georgina Mallie reported that 88% response to the school hours change with 93% being in favour of the proposed change and 7% wishing the current hours to remain. The results of the survey had been passed to Craig Clement, Senior Education Manager who had approved that the change to the proposed hours could proceed. This would take place from August 2013.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Parent Council Training Event

Gill Brady reported that a training event for all Parent Council members is being led by the Scottish Parent Teacher Council in partnership with Angus Council in Room A. Bruce House, Wellgate, Arbroath on 4 March 2013 from 7 pm – 9 pm. This was a very positive forum which would cover the sharing of ideas, communication and motivating your Parent Council. Further details are available on the Glow website.

Dog Fouling

Gill Brady commented on the issue of dog fouling which is very bad on Mattocks Road. A parent had contacted the dog warden and a sign has now been placed on a fence on Mattocks Road. Gill Brady asked if the children could help by making leaflets which could then be distributed around the village. Mrs Mallie advised that she would speak to the Eco Council who she was sure would want to help.

Red Nose Day

Georgina Mallie advised that on Friday 15 March 2013, the school would be making cakes to sell and asking staff and pupils to wear pyjamas and come with "crazy" hair. We will also be selling official Red Noses for £1.

Easter Service

The Easter Service will be held in the school on Monday, 25 March 2013 at 9.30 am, Mr Collins will be leading the service.

Health Week

Health Week will be from Monday 22 April to Friday 26 April 2013. On Thursday, P5/6/7 will be taking part in Geo Caching at Crombie Park and the other children taking part in other activities during the visit.

Spree Books

Georgina Mallie advised that the rep had left a sample copy of the latest spree book, which cost £15 with £4 being donated to the school. The Parent Council felt that the books were not as good value as in the past and vouchers had restricted use. It was decided not to proceed with the books meantime.

Easter Bonnets

After some discussion it was decided to have an Easter Bonnet competition with prizes being awarded. This would take place towards the end of term and would be a fun co-operative learning activity.

Christmas Cards

The Christmas Card designs raised £86.51 everyone praised the wonderful cards the children had made.

Parent Council Blog

Georgina Mallie

Gill Brady

Georgina Mallie Reminder that variety of information is available on:https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/an/AngusParentCouncilGroup/ The blog is updated regularly.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be held on Thursday 2 May 2013 at 7.30 pm in Mattocks Primary School.

