



## Crawforddyke Primary School and Nursery Parent Council

### Notes from Meeting on 4th November 2020

Meeting held remotely via MS Teams - Quorum Achieved

Apologies: Linzi Eaglesham

Chairperson and Headteacher presentations will be attached for more detail.

#### **Chair Update**

Lesley welcomed all and set out agenda

Provided updates on all ongoing road safety initiatives with reminder that ongoing restrictions have impacted on the implementation and progress. These initiatives include:

- Traffic calming measures on Glenafeoch Road including mini roundabouts at its junctions with Angus Road and Parkendarroch Crescent. Design and project to have these installed is complete but has been delayed by Covid, expected implementation by financial year end, circa April 2021.
- Moving speed activated sign on Eastfield Road. Ongoing. Design and project to have this installed is complete but has been delayed by Covid, expected implementation by financial year end, circa April 2021.
- Relocate "20's Plenty" signage. Existing advisory signage will be replaced with mandatory 20mph speed limit signs in line with Transport Scotland, Spaces for Everyone initiative. Expected to be completed in early 2021
- Installing removable bollards on access path to school from Glenafeoch Road. This had previously been declined and was pushed back again following a recent request that the bollards could be temporary and be erected by school staff at drop off / pick up times to keep the vehicular access is required to changing rooms and sports facilities. A counter submission has been placed.
- Parent & Career Travel Survey: Lesley presented draft version of upcoming survey to be sent out to all Parents & Carers regarding travel behaviours, issues and suggestions. Draft in attached presentation but it was agreed to include a question about how Covid restrictions are impacting these issues.
- JRSO: Shona still communicating remotely.
- Staggered pick Ups: Angela said that it seemed to be working but was more problematic on wet days. Plans have been put in place to allow multi-sibling family to collect all children at same time - where an age group split occurs. Also a question over blue badge holder access to pick up area still being looked at.
- Travel Plan has been submitted to Marion Shearer including concerns over Kirkstyle ELC parking provisions.

Lesley then spoke about changes to GDPR privacy notice and Parents as Partners handouts, full details of which are on the attached presentation and have been sent out via FB and email where applicable.

## **Financial**

Balances: Bank £5651.70 Cash £100

Outgoings for Month: £216.33 Halloween Gifts/Decorations, £2000 donation to school and £20 to renew Gambling License.

Incomings: £1720 from Christmas Card orders ( Cost tbc )

## **Social/Fundraising**

Angela told us that the Halloween activities had been well received by children and staff: Lesley thanked Mary and Caroline for organising and setting up.

### Christmas Activities

- Lynne told us that 344 packs had been ordered and that these are expected to be ready to go out to children by the end of November.
- School Recipe Book. The idea is to get each class to provide two recipes as well as submissions from teachers and Office staff. Caroline pursuing printer for cost and options.
- Possible live Facebook Raffle engaging with companies and groups that would normally participate in Christmas Fair raffle. This is still being looked at.

School Fundraising Lottery: Lesley told us that this had launched successfully and was currently at 83% of target.

Fundraising focus: Playground markings - brochures passed to Angela. Ideas shown with rough prices - could take ideas and designs from school and kids. Teachers would like things to keep kids busy in playground with mix of running, throwing etc .. Alison Bone to take it to ambassador group to poll classes for ideas. CB asked for school ground plan to present plans on. CG asked if current plans would limit classes to specific equipment AG responded that current rota would ensure movement/sharing

Big Lottery Funding. This had been mentioned previously but the update was that as any benefit from this would have to be available to the local community it was not suitable for our purposes.

Replacing bark clippings in natural play area. No update on this but still being pursued.

## **Head Teacher**

Covid: Angela gave some background on the communications already sent out about changes in Government policy with regard to mask wearing.

Nursery: Following the opening of the New Kirkstyle ELC the current plan is for Crawforddyke Nursery to remain open till June 2021.

Interim Pupil Reports: Angela gave us some explanation as to the reasoning behind the published interim reporting process. It was felt that a written report would allow parents / guardians more time to digest the info and to more constructively complete the feedback sheet. There is also an issue with the school only having two telephone lines and to deliver the reports verbally in this way would tie them both up for nine whole school days. A question was asked about using MS teams or similar and Angela answered that the available bandwidth wasn't sufficient. Angela did reassure us that if parents needed to speak to teachers there were already provisions in place for this.

School Christmas plans: Angela finished by telling us about all the plans already in place for Christmas. These included: Virtual Nursery nativity, Christmas lunches, Christmas jumper month, class parties, online panto, virtual quizzes, presents, crafts, pyjamas and Christmas movie day on 23rd and lastly, a special guest appearance for the Nursery and p1 children. All activities will be in line with covid guidance and protocols.

### **AOB / Next Meeting**

A question was raised about a mobile photographer who was advertising Covid safe school pictures. Angela said it was still, unfortunately, out-with current guidelines

Our next meeting should have been early December and normally this would have been used to begin gala day celebrations. Lesley asked if we felt this was necessary and it was agreed that we would postpone meeting again till January 13th.