

NEWBIGGING PARENT COUNCIL

MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 18TH APRIL, 2013 AT 6.15PM

Present: Kathryn Foot, Paul Donaldson, Jody Gray, Diane Melvin, Cate Ritchie, Lorna Rogers, Linda Rogers, Anne Bruce, Joyce Gray

Apologies: Janet Crozier, Ashley Thomson

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING & MATTERS ARISING

ACTION

Website – there has been no feedback from parents on the handbook which can now be accessed through the Angus Council website (link provided on last Minutes). It is planned to have the website live by summer. Alison Duffus is working on it. Alison

Clubs – We are still awaiting a PVG disclosure to enable to the **golf** coach to come into the school. He is willing to start as soon as it comes through.

There has still be no interest from Newbigging parents for the **maths** club run at Monikie School. If children do want to attend then parent helpers will be needed.

As the **netball** coach is on placement, we will have no coach for 3/4 weeks. Alix Daley is hoping to come along and coach the children on the 16th of May, and will be available to help on the day of the tournament (Monday 20th May).

Kathryn is going to be taking in items for the children to work with in the **drama** club. Kathryn has consulted with the school about any themes or issues that she could address through drama and the pupils are now developing sketches based on those to perform in school assembly. Kathryn

Jody is still waiting for her PVG disclosure to come through. Once it does she will start helping out in the **library**.

Path – there is to be a consultation meeting in Newbigging School hall on the 21st of May. Angus Council have had in quotes for repair of the path and are formulating a questionnaire to get public opinion on the way forward.

Questionnaire Feedback – there has been no comments from parents on the questionnaire feedback.

Coastal Representatives Meeting – Paul attended the meeting on Wednesday 27th February and reported the following: the Education Department budget is to be cut by 2%; the change to the St Andrew's Day closure (already notified to parents); Angus Council would like to see more use made of social media. At present Woodlands Primary have a P1 Facebook page which is available to parents by invitation only.

Parent Council Training – Janet attended the training session on Monday 4th

March. More sessions are to be organised

Cookbook – The Parent Council have asked teachers to provide guidance on how to produce the project as homework, possibly during Health Week. Younger pupils could do drawings. Parent Council/
Teachers

Christmas Cards – there was further discussion about pupils creating Christmas cards to sell. It was felt that as fewer cards are being sent there might not be the demand to justify this fundraiser.

Summer Fete – Saturday 1st June was finalised as the date for a summer fete. The following stalls/activities were suggested: Lorna can get hold of stocks; Paul to organise a bouncy castle and golf target practice; Kathryn to arrange a friend to do face painting; guess the number of sweeties in a jar; tombola; cake & candy; treasure map; £1 in bucket of water; beat the goalie. Final arrangements to be made at next meeting. Parent Council

Team Building at Monikie Park – this event for P5/6 pupils will be held from the second week of the new session until the October holidays. Feedback from Monikie pupils is very positive and the majority of health & wellbeing curricular areas are covered.

UNIFORM

It has been decided to change our supplier for school sweatshirts etc. Paul to provide Anne with information. Paul/Anne

PRIZE SHIELDS/CUPS

Prizes to be sourced from the Trophy Shop in Carnoustie and will allow for multiple names to be added. A languages prize will be awarded in Ruth Cave's name, with a music award in Elaine Yeaman's name. Both to be presented at the end of term prize giving. The Parent Council will also create an award for a pupil from each class for citizenship which will be for a child who is respectful/responsible/kind/a good friend. Parent Council

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Linda's retirement - Linda advised that the Parent Council will be sent a letter about the recruitment to the position of head teacher, which will again be shared with Monikie Primary School.

The time and date of the next meeting will be 6.15pm on Thursday 23rd May, 2013, to which all parents/guardians are invited.

There being no further business, the meeting finished at 7.15pm.