

Cornhill Parent Council

Wednesday 11th of September 2024, 6pm

Present : Heather Mackintosh, Diane Rough, Lyndsey Spiers, Mark Evans, Carole Jamieson, Nicola Bermingham, Precious Awupiri and Hanna Korzh.

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| <p>1. Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>Diane welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> | |
| <p>2. Apologies</p> <p>Vicky Low and Neil Copland.</p> | |
| <p>3. Head Teachers Report</p> <p>The final two teachers are just about to come back from maternity leave in a few weeks. The school is about to put out an advert for a permanent, and long term teaching post. The Bernardos worker is off just now, and we don't know when they are coming back.</p> <p>There is lots going on, learn to ride, st machar trips, autism outreach, speech and language, therea pet, bike ability and RADs.</p> <p>The school has just had a wifi upgrade. P6 & 7 children and all staff have new devices, it will be rolled out to all students. The new printing system was introduced, which was very exciting.</p> <p>The school will be getting a visit from the education psychologist, one of 3 in the city, to do case studies and look for good practice.</p> <p>The Christmas concert is going to be a carol concert this year, it will be paired back as there has been so much going on. The children will still have their parties and visit from santa.</p> <p>We have a new therapet as Wonder is retired. Nelson will be coming into school soon and then it will be decided what he will do. Wonder used to be a reading dog.</p> | |

Inspection

Mr Evans said that the inspection had gone well and that it was a positive experience with lots highlighted. Some of the things mentioned were the very effective leadership, that all children were being included, that the school is a warm inclusive nurturing environment, that the school had effective partnerships that worked well, and that the children were kind, courteous and proud of their school. The nursery also got very good reports.

There were 2 areas that the school needs to work on, but Mr Evans already knew about these and had organized a working committee to look at pathways for students with part time timetables.

The staff had all pulled together and worked consistently well. He was glad it was over as it had been a long time coming.

Diane passed on her congratulations, saying she was impressed that the inspectors highlighted that all children were included, as it is normally only some. She asked Mr Evans to pass on our Congratulations.

4. Treasurer's Report

Our Treasurer was not able to make the meeting, but had passed on the financial details.

We have £8,303.95 in the bank. We raised £320 from the Halloween Disco. We have paid £300 to classes, but will get this money back after the school fair. We have so far made £462.44 from the sale of Christmas cards, but the second chance shop is due to open and we will get 10% commission on new orders, so this figure will rise.

Mark wanted to confirm that we would pay for the buses to the p7 trip, we agreed that we would.

He also asked us to hand in a cheque for £1,625 for the new sound system. It is better for somebody to buy this than go through the school. Heather to ask Vicky to do this.

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5 – Fundraising

Christmas Fair - Thursday the 14th of November 2024
Valentines Disco - Wednesday the 19th of February 2025
Bingo - Wednesday the 14th of May 2025
Summer Disco - Wednesday the 11th of June 2025

The DJ has been booked for all discos and we will deal with the bingo later. We will discuss the Christmas fair later in the meeting.

6. Christmas Fair

We have 9 external stalls coming tomorrow, they are paying £15 and donating a raffle prize. These stall holders will arrive after 4.30. Diane had organized a table plan, putting some classes in the hallway instead of in the middle of the gym hall, hopefully leaving more room and the hall will not be as congested as normal. Diane was not sure of the length of the hallway, so it might be trial and error to where the tables go.

We asked if we would have a janitor tomorrow, Mr Evans said he was not sure, he had asked, but he would be here and had keys to lock up.

We don't have many helpers, so we may have no one to help at the second hand clothes stall. Lyndsey promised to look after it, as she will be on the door.

We have 6 helpers, Patricia offered to help even though her daughter left last year and Coilia from the office, has also offered to help. We really need to find more helpers, as it will be worse next year.

A massive Thank You to Carole who took in a large bag stuffed full of raffle prizes, we are very grateful.

We will sell the crisps and juice that were left over from the last disco and go out of date before the end of the year.

7. AOCB

Mr Evans mentioned that parents are once again parking around the school without any consideration to the residents who live in the area. The area at the front of the school is horrendous, with residents getting blocked in and unable to leave the house at school drop off or pick up time. It was also mentioned that this is the same around all other areas of the school. We discussed what to do that we have not done before, and could not think of anything that might work, other schools have signs outside that make no difference. We agreed that we would put out an email and a request on facebook to remind people to park

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| <p>considerably.</p> <p>Carole said that she did not know we had a Facebook site and it might be worth letting people know. Heather to request a group call.</p> | HM |
| <p>8. Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday the 5th of February 2025 AGM Wednesday the 21st of May 2025</p> | |