St Vincent’s Primary school

East Kilbride

Parent Council Meeting

Minutes of meeting held via Zoom on Wednesday 1st September 2021

**Attendees**

Eileen Tompkins, Danielle Timmons, Lorena Ziolo, Yvonne Boyle, Cllr Archie Buchanan, Clare Simpson, Karen Morton, Ross Bethell, Donna Coupar, Stephanie Callaghan Sana, Joanne, Amarachi.

**Apologies**

David Kelly, Sheryl Nicolson, Bonnie Salinas, Jennifer Bingham, Julia Murray.

**Opening prayer and welcome**

Chair opened meeting and welcomed all in attendance. Meeting continued with prayer from Eileen Tompkins.

**Head Teacher report**

* Roll at the start of new session is 343
* Staffing- 4 new members of staff (Maternity cover /PEF / Recovery posts)
* Our congratulations to Mrs Julie Hogg on the birth of baby Fearne at the start
* of term.
* Following current COVID 19 protocols until the end of September
* Staggered start /finish will continue
* Promoting positive behaviour update (SLC policy) has been forwarded to Claire as Chair of PC and will also be uploaded to school website
* Standards and Quality report 20/21 now on website
* Our School Improvement priorities 21/22
* Raising attainment in Literacy
* Talk for writing
* Reading School Award
* Numeracy
* Focus on Problem solving
* Help provided for all children including those identified with an additional need.
* Maths week beginning end of September
* Attachment informed practice to be further developed with input from school

psychologist

* Laudate Si (Catholic School’s programme based on Pope Francis’ message

responding to Care of the Earth

* Assemblies continue online
* Breakfast club continues for now as “Toast and Go” /P4 Free lunches
* Swimming – block bookings made for P5,6,7. Funding bid has been made, waiting to hear.
* Bikeability training for P5-7. Training 2 parents and 3 members of staff.
* Variety of sports/clubs will resume for other stages also ie dance, choir.
* P7 Residential booked for Ardentinny 14th to 17th June 2022 (subject to permission)
* Possible Saint Vincent’s cycle round Millport later in the year.
* MUGA pitch/security door concerns/pigeon & seagull problem – to be discussed with Cllr Archie Buchanan.
* Mrs Boyle looking for 2 to join a group to see how best to spend money from PEF fund.
* Fundraising ideas – school logo hoodies to raise funds.
* Request funds from Parent Council for sports equipment including indoor/outdoor table tennis and basketball nets.
* Father Ivan will designate new Church Rep for future Parent Council meetings.

**Questions from Parent Council**

The school continue to thank parents & carers wearing face coverings in school grounds as per Scot Gov advice.

Mrs Addison is at the playground gate to welcome children to school in the mornings.

Homework – survey will be given to parents and carers.

All fundraising ideas welcome in these difficult times.

**Closing Prayer**

Closing prayer from Eileen Tompkins.

**Date of next meeting**

Wednesday 6th October 2021.