

Comhairle nam Pàrant Taobh na Pàirce - Parent Council

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Meeting minutes

nuary 2017

	Detail	Decision	Action
d attendees	The meeting was called to order by the co-chairs. The Guest speaker, Lewis Richardson, was welcomed.		

	11 apologies were given.	
e last meeting	Not discussed	
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[:] inancial report	The treasurer ran through the table provided as part of the PC annual report:	
	Overall, it was agreed that it had been a positive year, with events and fundraising well received. Funds had been spent on various projects, including the small sums scheme, for which there had been 8 applications, which were mostly funded.	
	Applications and suggestions for next year's small schemes fund, and for Leith Decides, were invited	ALL
agenda		
s Richardson	A local councillor, and "Gaelic Champion", Lewis explained his involvement with GIG and the next five years of the Gaelic Plan. Engagement events will follow in the Spring. Mid-End Feb 2017 should produce a draft of the next plan, but we should be mindful of the upcoming local council election and possible impact from that.	

 >rt	The AGM report was presented - full text available at http://www.parantantaobhnapairce.org.uk/uploads/1/9/7/1/1 9717359/parentcouncilagmreport2016.pdf	
f PC survey 2017	Results of PC survey 2017: Fully collated report to follow from MoL. 68 responses overall. Preferred communication option was Parentmail. Communication was deemed frequent enough. PC events such as Halloween party are popular, but it is difficult to find an ideal time for them, and comments were made that they relied heavily on volunteers. Suggestions for events made such as a family ceilidh.	MoL
	The co-chair and secretary expressed a wish to step down, with one co-chair and the treasurer happy to remain in post. Alan Piper volunteered and was seconded as Chair, Lora Ward volunteered and was seconded as Secretary. Robbie McVeigh nominated, Fiona McNeil seconded. The outgoing chair and secretary were thanked for their efforts.	
her's report	The Headteacher thanked the parent body for their contribution to the School community – the work is appreciated. The Headteacher thanked The Chairs for all of the work undertaken when the JGHS issue arose at the start of the year, and now looks forwards to another positive year. A new Local Mod team has been appointed, and thanks	

were passed on to the outgoing team.	
A new benchmarking exercise will take place during the Summer term, offering new benchmarking standards. Successful transitions from p7 to s1 and into p1. In June last year the school consulted with PC and worked out a strategy for staffing, which seems to be working. Heavy investment is being placed in the development of the Gaelic of those staff classed as learners. Playground – we are waiting on guidance from CEC as there is no development allowed in Edinburgh. But The Playground Group have improved the playground greatly, for which the school is grateful. August saw the Celts Project which was well received by the children. PSA team – a particularly strong team and 2 are offering support in spoken language and others providing nurturing groups supporting the children. Late Autumn saw the Care Inspectorate visit – awarded very good and excellent for the care in the nursery. Resilience strategy introduced and it is already showing success. Three expressive art projects. The Headteacher thanked the PC for donations – funded playground group; Christmas activities; bike-ability training resources; dance teachers and story tellers. Thank Fiona and Marianne as co-chairs. Thanks to other office bearers.	
None	

meeting	15 th March 2017, 19.15, Taobh Na Pairce.		
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ared by Lora Ward, 31/1/17 wed by Chairs/Treasurer: 01/02/17