

Parent council AGM, Wednesday 2nd September 7-8pm

On Microsoft teams

All parents and carers were welcome to attend.

Sam, the chair, wanted to note: she was sorry she was not able to welcome all the new parents who joined the meeting properly. At other meetings we would usually have time to all introduce ourselves, we hope to be able to do this at our next meeting. Please do join us for the next meeting it would be great to hear your views and it is really appreciated that you took the time to join us.

1. Voting in office bearers

No one else came forward for the roles and Vicki Webster stepped in as chair, so as to follow protocol.

Shared Chair:

Sam Rutherford nominated Rachel King to share the role of chair, Liz Creelie seconded

Carys Macdonald nominated Sam Rutherford to share the role of chair, Donna McGuire seconded

Treasurer:

Claire Hagget nominated Carys Macdonald, Rachel King seconded

Secretary:

Rachel King nominated Emma Bartlett, Emma Jowitt seconded

Vice chair:

No one came forward, please do get in touch with the parent council if you would like to do this role.

2. Treasurer's report

Total in bank: £3,593.10

Total monies available c.£5,500. I am waiting to see exactly how much we get from the school for the P7 hoodies but expect it to be around £1,570. Additionally we are owed £435 from the P7 yearbooks last year. PC organised this last year due to COVID

We normally have commitments of £2500 through the year, we have some money to play with, but we need to see how this year goes with fundraising.

Fundraising

This year is different, as you will have noticed! As part of the current Covid situation, we are going to have to think of different ways to raise money for the Parent Council. All money raised for the PC goes directly to helping improve our childrens' learning experiences, be it in the class, in the school grounds or as part of the very special inclusive community we have. If you have any ideas of ways to fundraise this year it would be great to hear from you.

Easyfundraising

One way everyone can help is to sign up for **Easyfundraising**. And if you are signed up, please could you double-check that you have activated the donations - the easiest way is through the Easyfundraising add-on to your browser.

Over 4,200 shops and sites will donate money to Parsons Green PC every time you use easyfundraising to shop with them. It's easy, completely free and makes a huge difference to us.

You can get started here:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/parsonsgreenpc/?utm_campaign=raise-more&utm_content=cbp-e

Online shops registered for this include: Ebay, Amazon, John Lewis, Currys PC World, Tui , Admiral Car Insurance

Many thanks,

Carys (Treasurer)

3. Head Teacher's report

Susan asked everyone to accept her apologies for the technical difficulties joining the meeting tonight. Susan thanked everyone for staying and persevering.

Please see attached Head Teachers report.

4. Chair update and questions:

Fundraising

Some Fundraising ideas for these different times:

Sponsored virtual disco/dance a thon

Dress up day

Online quiz for parents

Ideas for individual class fundraising from kids

Tea towels at Christmas. Will be part of our fundraising efforts this year.

However the parent council would love to hear from parents and children who have some fundraising ideas.

Play equipment

Younger children's play equipment needs painting before the winter, looking for volunteers to help.

Signalong update

Signalong promote communication skills for children and adults with speech, language and communication needs and English as an additional language.

Emma Jowitt updated on signalong

Resources have been sent to the school, room signs P1-7

Room signs for dining room, ICT, outside, Susan (head teacher) and Jennifer's (deputy) rooms.

Manual for the school, DVD, nursery rhymes.

Half way through the signalong course with 7 of the staff.

Sam thanked Emma so much.

Questions in bold and replies below.

Parent involvement, how can we help and support the school, any ideas?

What will happen with the Library and gardening club etc?

When can parents come into school to help out/volunteer?

Next Head teachers briefing (in a couple of weeks) will hopefully have answers around parents volunteering.

P7 group meeting and Benmore, dance and fundraising, what will happen?

Mrs Cochrane will need to speak about this at a later date to all P7 parents.

P6- outdoor learning with glebe, will this happen?

Mrs Cochrane will come back to parents about this.

Reading buddies (P6&7 supporting P1&2 with reading) and Parsy pals (P5-7 helping the younger children in the playground)?

Reading buddies and Parsy pals cannot happen but the P6&7 are thinking how they can make connections with the younger children.

P7s did a brilliant assembly online for the whole school. Trying to help the feeling of togetherness when everyone has to stay in their year group bubble.

Could they read a story on video or read to them outside?

5. AOB - Questions and comments from people at the meeting.

Comments or questions in bold, replies below

A lot of appreciation of the staff and all they have done and how great the PSAs are on the gates.

Please do not park on the yellow zig zags or kerbs.

Can we close the road to make it safer?

Closing the road has been raised, by Susan. Due to 69 bus that goes along the road, unfortunately there is not capacity to facilitate at the moment.

One way system, on the pavement has been suggested by a parent.

Preloved rail of school uniforms?

Is there a way to do this?

Susan would love this to happen, but we need ideas, how we can do this?

Could we have a Friday clothes rail?

Could we do a clothes jumble trail?

Claire Haggett, who kindly runs the free seconded hand clothes rail, wondered if we might need to wait till Susan has her Head teacher briefing

6. Finally and feedback please.

Sam asked for feedback please:

What would you like on an agenda, Susan is open to questions.

Timing of meetings/length.

Continuing on Teams?

Sam thanked Susan for persevering at the start with the technical difficulties, it was really appreciated.

Sam thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Future Parent Council Meeting dates:

**We have tried to give some different evenings so that everyone has a chance to attend.
For now the meetings will be held on teams.**

Wednesday 7th October

Tuesday 24th November

Thursday 21st January

Tuesday 16th March

Wednesday 19th May

Wednesday 16th June AGM