Parent Council Minutes

Monday 8 March 2021

In Attendance:

Stephen McGee; Alan Taylor; Fergus Phillips; Claire Turley; Claire McLaren; Anne Shaw; Nicola Stewart; Anne Phelps; Claire Howell; Ms M; Mrs H

Apologies:

L MacDonald; A Strutt

1. Head Teacher Update:

Alan provided a presentation on the current plans for the return to school from 15th March. Powerpoint will be circulated to all.

Key points:

- All pupils will return from 15th in some form
- Seniors on alternate days, S1-S3 every three days.
- Staff working on how to deliver timetabled teaching and learning.
- Pupils will follow their timetable at home and in school.
- Pupils will hear this Wednesday afternoon what their plan will be from next week.
- Part-time staff have been approached to see fi they can support the online provision.
- All pupils to wear face coverings in school at all times. 2m distance to be maintained both in class and around the school.
- Transport will be in place for all entitled. 1m distance on buses.
- No formal assessments for seniors in these first few weeks back.
- Plans for Easter school underway.

Thanks from Parent Council members to all staff for the work required to get a plan in place for next week.

2. Parent Feedback Questionnaire Results

Dr Phelps provided a presentation on the results of the Parent/Carer survey. Overall very positive feedback, and constructive comments and suggestions. Helpful to see the range of feedback, where it matched with pupils' feedback and where it differed. Main area of difference was around workload level with parents generally feeling about right and pupils feeling too much at times. This is being triangulated with feedback from pupils and staff, with actions agreed and steps taken as required.

3. Other points:

- Alan had a call with Education Scotland regarding the school's approaches to gathering feedback to inform forward planning.
- New maths teacher has been appointed to the department.
- Question re approaches to support pupils into next session. The school will have additional staffing continued, and aim to provide supported study opportunities on ongoing basis.

Next meeting: Wednesday 31 March 2021