

CHIRNSIDE PARENT COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY 24 MARCH 2016

PRESENT: Katrina Reynolds (Chair) Catriona Craze (Vice Chair), Julien Lake (Treasurer), Lesley Thomson (Minutes Secretary), Michelle Simposon (Fundraiser), Nick Trussler (Headteacher), Emma Jones, Joy Hope

APOLOGIES: Angie Donoghue. Lorraine Pessara

HEADTEACHERS REPORT

Current Attainment Levels

Mr Trussler informed Committee that Chirnside Primary Attainment Levels were very good compared to other Berwickshire Schools and should improve next year with new assessments taking place.

P7 Vacancy

There is at present a Vacancy (Thursday) in P7 and hopefully this will be filled asap.

Primary 1

Due to an extended period of absence Parents Evenings have been postponed.

School Role

The School role for next year is 161 which is about the same as this year.

School Grounds

The Children have been busy planting trees and other plants around School Grounds.

Parent Pay

Will go 'live' after Easter Holiday. At present it is only School Lunches that can be done on this but hopefully in time School Trips etc may be paid in this way.

Reports and Learning Logs

Reports and Learning Logs were sent home today and Parent Appointments have been made.

OUTDOOR PLAY: The Children are very enthusiastic about this. Mr Trussler has been working with P5 and P7 on thoughts of what could be done. At present there are tyres in playground for planting and the Children have been making good use of them for play. It is hoped to try and get some more for their use. Other ideas include Sandpits and Straw Bales. The idea of the same play items on a smaller scale in the P1 – P3 area is a good one!

PARENTS EVENING: There will be a couple of Photographers present at Parents Evening with samples of School Photos. Parents will be asked to choose which they prefer and information on Easyfundraising will be handed out.

FUNDRAISING

Disco went well raising £240.30.

EASTER COFFEE MORNING: 23 April 10am – 12pm in Community Centre. On Friday 22 April the School will have a Dress Down Day to raise items for Tomobola Stall. Homebaking will also be required.

TREASURER'S REPORT: At present we have £5100 in bank. Mr Trussler handed over invoice for Project X books to be paid and an invoice for Buses,

AOB

Some parents were under the impression that only Chirnside Chasers were chosen for the Cross Country. It was confirmed that this was not the case and that there were lots of others chosen who are not Chirnside Chasers.

The Parking at Kirkgate is now a problem. However the front of the School has seen a vast improvement.

NEXT MEETING: 2 June 2016 at 7.30pm