

Barthol Chapel Parent Council 29.01.18

Present: Mr. Anderson, Barbara, Anne, Brie, Freya, Keith, Vicky, Sarah, Jane, Kathleen and Claire

First on the agenda was the bank balance and on the 22nd Dec. £1989 was recorded. A further £800 pounds was deposited into the bank after Christmas fundraising. Barbara will be taking the role of treasurer and is hoping to bring it in to the future with internet banking! A big thank you to Vicky who was the previous treasurer.

Two parents filmed the Dragon Days Performance. Both parents made proposals for the sale of the DVDs. The dragon days DVD will be coming out shortly for £5. All profits will go to the Parent Council. An email will follow with all the details.

Great news from the Eco Group at school as it has been confirmed that the school will receive £420.50 from the Formartine Partnership which will go towards the much needed school green and garden spaces. The group has been working hard on garden designs and what materials are needed for these spaces. The grand unveiling of the new garden will be in May for the school's 50th anniversary. The idea of a gardening club was discussed with the view to maintain the green spaces going forward. It was suggested that the gardening club could meet at a lunch time and parents could come and help the children to look after and garden in the green spaces. Anybody who has spare seeds or plants to help along the way or any other ideas regarding this area would be gratefully received.

Any donation of old games/activities/jigsaws would be great for the children for wet day playtimes. The idea is that they are kept in a box and will only come out for these times. Parent Council will have a look into a charity shop to buy some also. An email will come out shortly about this.

Some of you will have heard that the leaver's hoodies have the wrong date on them. Since it was a Parent Council mistake the Parent Council will pay for new ones, all was agreed on this.

Pub Quiz will be coming up soon (24th March). All welcome, this is a big fundraiser so more people the better! Please contact Anne if you can volunteer to organise or help on the day.

An "Open Afternoon" will be organised, perhaps to tie into the coffee afternoons where you can pop in and learn what your child has been up to as well as enjoying a cup of tea. This will not replace parent evenings, it would be an opportunity to see the class room environment.

As the school's 50th anniversary is fast approaching the kids are starting to getting organised with celebration plans. Mr. Anderson was excited to show the parent council the bunting that the kids will be knitting with the local WI. A Family/community 60s themed BBQ and Disco as a big fundraiser for 50th was agreed on. There will be a meeting to plan this fundraiser and other things surrounding the 50th celebrations soon. If you would like to help out or have any ideas please get in touch.

Mr. Anderson has highlighted the Personal Learning Plans (PLP) will be coming out soon, this will be a folder that will come home with your child. The PLP is a supplement to report cards and parents evenings that will come at a later date. Emails will follow shortly.

Mr. Anderson also highlighted that he has had some feedback about the recent school inspection. So far it is positive with the highlight of continuing the good work. The actual report is still yet to be published and will happen later in the year, when this becomes available the school will let parents know. Mr. Anderson also highlighted the ongoing issues with the laptops, netbooks and pads in the school and the compatibility with recent council server updates. He is working hard to find a solution to this.