

1. Welcome all, especially Sandra for joining us and to Agnes for coming back 😊

Apologies from Euan and Sally who could not join us.

2. Any comments on AGM minutes?

No, all good:

POST MEETING NOTE: AGM minutes on school website.

Note: Ms McLarty won't be a regular attendee but will attend as and when required (always welcome)

3. HT UPDATE:

3.1 Staffing within school:

* Teaching staff...full complement of staff, no positions currently unfilled.

* Acting DHT role comes to an end in December 2022. The permanent post will be advertised on 'MyJob Scotland'.

Ms O'Hagan asked for PC Member to join the interview panel.

Post meeting note: Euan will support on behalf of PC..thank you.

* PSA Staff. We 2 new members of staff; 2 Temps until June.

Another advert for 4...interviews have taken place..offers to 4 people...only 3 posts filled. 1 post re advertised ..once filled full complement

*Absence through illness: rate not significant ..within tolerance levels.

* Hosting 2 Edin University Nursing students in school for 10 weeks, 3 days

per week. A great partnership.

3.2 Lesley McArthur needs acrylic paints for her mural project which she has funding for with FOPPS. Happy to support. ACTION...send receipt to Marilyn Schotanus

3.3 Mary Berry..on BBC2...a great piece of telly.

Very well done to all involved especially Lesley McArthur and Ms Sawyer for all their work. (Ms O'Hagan is fair raging, though, as neither her new blouse, or in fact her, were featured...this has been raised with the Director General of the BBC).

3.4 Jamie Hepburn Minister for Higher Education & Further Education, Youth Employment and Training will visit school

on 10th of November. This is to hear all about and see the great work undertaken by PP School, lead by Mr Mackay, on Developing the Young Workforce. Great recognition ..well done indeed.

3.5 Senior Phase Hospitality Highlights: invited other classes to come round and enjoy tea and cake, which all thoroughly enjoyed

3.6 S1-4 event for families..16th November @ 1.45pm to 2.45 pm

POST MEETING NOTE: Agnes will represent PC at this session

3.7 Pilrig Park initiative:

* S1-3..all have 'Child Plan'..Pupil Passport, Pupil Profile and target sheets. Very important to have views of Pupils and so Parents know what school sharing about

Trailing this..3 times per year. Will re-evaluate at end of 2022/23 to see what worked well, what could be improved etc.

* Senior Phase..Mr Mackay working on a new method of recording and reporting progression....mid November is target date for issue to families.

3.8 Partnerships work restarting...working with FOPPS re funding mainly for the Music Program.

List of Partners currently working in school:

Green team

Pipes and Drums

Music therapy

Active schools

Park Rangers

The Yard

3.8 LT areas of responsibility within school:

*Catriona Ferguson : Parental engagement/
involvement

*Ruth McLarty:Targets

*Keith: Quality Indicators 2.3..learning
teaching and assessment.

Here's a bit more about this:

Teaching staff have been working on
developing the Quality Indicator 2.3 – How
good is our school during our staff
development time.

The 4 Themes are-

1 Learning and engagement

2 Quality of teaching

3 Effective use of assessment

4 Planning, tracking and monitoring

We have asked staff to think about what is

happening with Learning & Teaching / Assessment and the consistency of experience in their classes at Pilrig Park School.

What does an effective Learning & Teaching environment look like at Pilrig Park School ?

We asked staff to take a walk around our school to look at the learning environment and to share classroom good practice and their examples of effective Learning & Teaching within their own subject areas.

We then all met to discuss the 4 points:

- What do you consider as **our** highly-effective practice and why?
- How do we ensure high quality L&T at PP?
- How do we know? What is the evidence?
- Where / what are our gaps?
- What are our next steps? What do we

need to address / what do we need support with moving forward?

From these discussions and sharing of good practice our next step is to compile our own Position Paper on effective Learning & Teaching / Assessment. This will enable us to have a consistent experience across our school

*Ann O'Hagan: Vision Values and Aims

Aim is to get 'position papers' in place on all these key areas.

4. Parental Engagement/involvement

*3rd November..carrying out exercise with staff to talk about parental engagement/involvement.

*Questionnaire to understand barriers etc to parental engagement and involvement and to explore how this could be changed, if this is what families want

* Establish a working group with PC members and staff for parental involvement.

This is an on-going piece of work.

* Hold 2 Winter Festivals to encourage family participation

S1-S 3 : 7th Dec

S4- S6: 14th Dec

Some financial support and also some input on both days from PC would be welcome.

POST MEETING NOTES:

a) Catriona Ferguson will provide estimates to Marilyn Schotanus, Treasurer

b) Emma , Agnes and Catherine Foggo will support these events on behalf of PC

5. **POST MEETING NOTE:** Date of next meeting will be 30 November at 6pm via Teams. All parents/carers will receive an invitation

