

Broughton Primary School Minutes of Parent Council

Wednesday 19th January 2011 @ 19:30
Staff Room

Present	LL	Lindsay Law	Chair
	HI	Hazel Irvine	Parent Member
	AD	Alan Devine	Head Teacher
	AH	Aileen Harris	Treasurer
	JB	Jackie Blair	Vice Chair
	LC	Charlotte di Corpio	Parent Member
	JG	John Gardner	Parent Member
	GH	Gillian Hutton	Parent
	DD	Donna Douglas	Non-Teaching Staff Member
	AM	Ailsa McMullan	Parent Member

Apologies SS Sandra Stewart Deputy Head

1. Welcome

LL welcomed everyone to the Parent Council and said a goodbye and thanks to Gordon Chrumka for all his help whilst serving on the Parent Council. He will be sadly missed.

2. Chairperson's Report

Gordon will provide help to establish the school website for free until end of June 2012 and will organise help for updates and to get it up and running. We can update it from there.

A lively discussion took place at the recent CCWP meeting. Discussions took place regarding school hours i.e. not having half day on Friday afternoons which is currently used for staff development. Temp members of staff are only to be paid for the hours that they work. If staff accrue extra hours in school, they should be allowed to take that time off. Edinburgh Council are asking parents and teachers on their views to put in a school handbook i.e. updating bullying policy etc. Regarding proposed school term dates for 2012/13, Edinburgh Council will be publishing outcomes of the consultation - LL

summarised the discussion at the Council meeting and completed the online consultation form.

3. Head Teacher's Report

AD reported that Edinburgh Council is looking at having one Janitor per school cluster. This would mean that our school would not have their own Janitor as such. No thought has been put into this and school security would be the main obstacle that the Council would have to deal with. Numbers of pupils joining Broughton Primary are up for this year and there will be two P1 classes which will compensate for the two P7 classes leaving at the end of the school year.

4. Road Safety Update

Elaine Thomson has heard back from the Road Co-ordinator regarding parents parking in the car park whilst picking kids up from school. It has been suggested that we can put a banner and stickers up on the gate to the car park asking parents not to park in the car park and also that pledges could be signed by parents that they will park elsewhere. We can keep in touch with P.C. Simon Daley to ask him to keep an eye out on parking, and also to keep an eye on speeding cars in order for drivers to reduce their speed near the school.

5. Projects

- The Notice boards for the Nursery and side entrance next to the Gym Hall have arrived and are waiting to be put up. Ailsa will ask Debbie Telford's husband, Stuart if he would be kind enough to do this for a nominal fee and a treat.
- The building next to the school and also the plot of land beside bottom playground is up for sale combined with the car park next to it. AD will phone Edinburgh Council to notify our interest. It is thought that P.C. could start a campaign to buy the plot of land from the Council for pupils to cultivate as a project. In order to get this kick started, we can contact Alan MacIntosh who writes for the Broughton Spurtle, and also local Councillors and MSPs to try and obtain the plot of land.

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Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday, 2nd March 2011
19:30
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