

Libberton Parent Council AGM
Thursday 19th September 6.60pm
Libberton Primary School

Attendance – Tom Parker (via zoom), Sarah Alcock, Wendy Jack, Laura Forde, Mellissa Ross, Kelly Barron, Laura and Chris.

Apologies – None

Tom welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes from the last AGM approved- 1st Tom Parker – 2nd Wendy Jack

Resignation of office bearers-

Chairperson – Tom Parker/ Secretary- Sarah Alcock/ Treasurer – Wendy Jack.

Vote of new office bearers.

Chairperson- Tom Parker 1st-Sarah Alcock - 2nd Wendy Jack

Secretary – Kelly Barron – 1st -Tom Parker - 2nd Wendy Jack

Treasurer – Wendy Jack – 1st Sarah Alcock – 2nd – Kelly Barron

The AGM was followed by a general meeting.

Tom left the meeting.

Secretary Report –

Correspondence: We have been contacted by Blackmount Parent Council who would like all the Biggar area schools get together and work together with funding and helping all the schools. **It was agreed that we would email back and say yes to working together.**

Treasurer Report-

We have £2,047.26 in the bank. **£500 is restricted funds for the swimming transport costs.**

Our biggest fundraiser was the Christmas raffle which we made in total £1,054.00. We also got a grant of £500 from Quothquan and Thankerton Community Council.

Last year we donated £600 to school fund after the Christmas Raffle.

We also paid for Generation Science which was £180

A donation toward Forest school equipment - £100

Visit to support the Titanic topic- £190

We had an amazing amount of £147 donated towards a retirement gift for Mrs McGregor from the Parents. The Parent Council added £100 towards this.

It was agreed that the bank statements for the bank account should be sent to the school and the signatories should be changed from Tom and Sarah to Tom and Kelly. **Address was changed on the 13/11/24.**

Head Teacher Report –

We are working on Nurture which includes Nurturing approaches and further developing positive relationships.

Skills- we are consistently using SLC Skills Framework. The staff are confident in using the framework in learning and teaching and children are becoming increasingly more confident in using the language.

Outdoor Learning- This is providing a high quality and engaging learning opportunities for staff and the children. We can see it is increasing the children's emotional, physical and mental wellbeing. Our outdoor classroom is a fantastic addition to our learning.

Trips

-Trips- the P1-4 class are heading to the National Museum of Scotland on the 9th of October. This will support their Egyptian topic.

-P5-7 are going to Sky Academy with Wiston PS on the 18th of November.

-P6-7 have transition event at BHS in December.

-P4-5 have Football Festival and P6-7 have a Rugby Festival.

-Both schools are going to be working together more with Wiston visiting us on 30th October for a forest school day.

-We have PC Leggate coming in to discuss internet safety with the P5-7 class.

-On Tuesday 24th September we have our first Stay and Play of this year.

Bus cost have already made a big impact on the school budget.

A few fundraising things that parents can help us with-

The school have signed up to ASDA cash pot we also would like to remind parents about the RagBag in the car park, this is a good constant fundraiser for the school. The school are also signed up for Easy Fundraising.

Fundraising –

It was discussed as in the previous meeting that the school could have a “school fund donation” payment on ParentPay. Other schools and nurseries have this, and it seems successful with no pressure on parents. If the school had planned a trip parents could pay a small donation towards the trip, there would be no pressure to make a donation, but this could be a way to help pay for trips. Maybe a cost per head and if people wish to pay towards it then they have this option. **Laura is going to investigate the councils view on this.**

Some ideas brought up at the meeting for fundraising-

A football tournament (dad teams) we could team up with Blackmount PS and the team gets sponsors.

Tesco blue tokens

Co-op fund we could use either Biggar or Carnwath.

Christmas Raffle-

It was agreed we would hold another raffle. We will try and get a table for late night opening in Biggar. Sarah is going to contact companies to try and get vouchers and donations. Sarah will order raffle tickets as theses looked good last year.

Halloween Party-

Details agreed-

It was agreed we would hold a Halloween party in Quothquan hall on Friday the 1st November. As this is the first year doing the party we would only have pupils of the school invited. It will be 6-8pm and £1.00 per child and they will get a treat bag with juice, crisps and sweets. This is not being used as a fundraiser but a social event for kids and parents. Parents will be asked to stay and wait at the hall during the party, and we will have tea, coffee and biscuits available. We are going to ask Mandy (Sofia's mum) if she can do the entertainment for the party.

A.O.B-

Sarah asked about P7 Leavers hoodies. Laura has confirmed they would like them to be the school blue so the children can wear them in school as part of their uniform. After Christmas they can wear them on a Friday and after Easter, they can wear them any day of the week.

The school will arrange sizes and payment and get them ordered.

Meeting-

It was discussed that possibly doing an online meeting would be better for some parents who are unable to attend in person. So, we would alternate meetings at 3pm, 6.30 and online. People felt this may be a good idea to encourage others to come to the meeting.

The Parent council would also benefit from having a WhatsApp group for people who are unable to attend any time for meetings but are happy to help with organising things such as tea/coffee etc.. Biggar high school use this and it works well and there are a lot of parents who don't want to come to meetings but are happy to help when they can.

Date of next meeting – This will be to finalise details of the Halloween party – Tuesday 22nd October at 3pm Libberton Primary.