

Minute
Stirling High School Parents Forum meeting
23.03.09
7.00pm, Heritage Room,
Stirling High School

Present: Peter Langley, Pat Scullion
Ann Finlayson Edmond Mansion
Tom Monaghan. Don MacLeod
Debbie Tolson

1. Apologies

Simon Puttock, Sandy McAfee

2. Matters arising.

- CAT testing S.McA ongoing.
- Outdoor furniture ongoing nothing identified at present.
- Dog fouling- HB/HG met with Bruce Crawford suggested dividing the field to have a specific dog walking area. Andrew Simpson had received complaints from parents regarding dogs mess on shoes. Playing fields are a community resource cannot be made exclusively for school use.
- Questionnaire- ongoing.
- Library- pupils now have access to the LRC during lunch and at the end of the day until 4pm.
- Ms Abernethy has been appointed Head of PE.
- Senior Conference will be held on the 4th and 5th of June Ian Fannon organising pupils have already tried fair-trade tuck shop.
- Prize giving and Rewards committee have met several times.

3. Head teachers report

- 23/02 effective communication events-how pupils communicate, mobile, internet etc.
- 18/02 school 1st birthday 17/02 gathering to celebrate all pupils received a pen to celebrate.
- SHARK radio station- speakers not good enough. Could funds be made available to improve the situation? P.S. to check with M.M. regarding new sound system in pupil social area.
- Pupils were video conferencing in French with people on a boat in the Panama Canal and Malta via GLOW
- Inspectors have gone but are coming back to take photographs for their brochure.
- There is an exhibition of pupils work in the Smith Art Gallery it will be judged and the winners will be made into mosaics for the Kings Park.
- Various events have taken place:-
 - ❖ Ski trip very successful.

- ❖ European citizenship morning
- ❖ Spring Concert
- ❖ Trash Fashion Show

- Some still to take place:-
 - ❖ Battlefields excursion
 - ❖ 5th/6th year conference
 - ❖ Tam Trek
 - ❖ Junior and Senior prize giving events
- Questionnaire to be issued to parents

4. **Sub Groups**

Fundraising - Lead –Sandy McAfee.

- Nothing to report

Communications - Lead - Peter Langley

- The group would like the Council views on what should show on the front page of the web site
- Screens – use to advertise the Parent Council at events when parents are in school, P.L. to draft a slide.
- D.T. to check with S.P. regarding banners.
- Draft Enterprise letter, P.S. to issue to all parents possibly along with questionnaire?
- D.T. wondered if it would be better to issue the questionnaire by e-mail and the letter separately

5. **Correspondence**

None

6. **AOCB**

- Parental involvement meeting 23.05.09.
 - ❖ Any ideas for training
 - ❖ Communicating with parents.
 - ❖ Respect me.
- Agenda item for May 11th meeting Draft improvement Plan before it is formalised.

7. **Dates of next meetings**

- **11.05.09**
- **22.06.09**

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