
In Attendance

Robert Birch, Jennifer Di Mambro, Jacqui Agnew, Karen Lannigan, Susan Malcolm, Sandra Ferguson, Leeann Rattigan, Christine Maule, Wendy Hall, Anthony Paterson, Polly Boyle, Julie McLeod, Heather Barrie, Alison Kerr, Lorna Thomson, Melanie Buckley, Alison Kerr, Jacqui Friel, Evelyn Dickson, Elaine Hamilton, Diane McLaughlan, Joyce Gass, Ruth Logan.

Apologies

Lesley Sheerer.

Welcome

Karen Lannigan opened the meeting by thanking all the parents for their attendance at tonight's meeting, and introduced the committee members to all:

Karen highlighted to everyone that the meeting minutes are available on the School website, where you will also find useful links to the schools newsletters and School calendar:

<http://www.dalzielhigh.org.uk/community/parents-association.html>

<http://www.dalzielhigh.org.uk/news/latest-news.html>

<http://www.dalzielhigh.org.uk/news/school-calendar.html>

Karen also stated that a copy of the agenda for tonight's meeting had been circulated to all the parents that had provided an email address, if you had not received this or if you wish to be included in the circulation going forward then to speak with her at the end of the meeting.

Rector's Report

Rector Robert Birch presented his report, copy of the full report can be found under the news column on the website, alternatively why not Subscribe to receive the Rector's Monthly newsletter direct to your inbox.

<https://www.dalzielhigh.org.uk/news/newsletter.html>

➤ **Staffing**

We have appointed a new Math's Teacher – Emma Brophy.

Yvonne Savage – HID has gone on maternity leave – we have a supply teacher to cover this.

➤ **Anti-Bullying**

We have started an anti-bullying programme, Mrs. Jennifer Tait has recruited a number of Anti-Bullying Ambassadors and they began their training this week. The school is working on an improvement programme with the focus being on reducing and support measures, coupled with changing the culture through the children.

➤ **School Refurbishments**

We have been told that the refurbishment of Home Economics will go ahead in the next financial year. The new Fire Alarm system and the new Burglar Alarm system are now operational. Work has been carried out at various locations on the school roof, although there is still some work to be completed on the ingress of water into a couple of classrooms, work is ongoing at present.

➤ **The Pupil Council**

The Pupil Council met yesterday and decided to support Children in Need and also Christmas Jumper Day. We have invited the manager in the School Kitchen to attend the next meeting to discuss the menu for the outside kiosk.

➤ **New Legislation**

Head Teacher Meeting – New Legislation Education Act 2016 is being issued that will focus on closing the attainment gap for pupils from less privileged backgrounds. There will be a focus on parental involvement.

NLC High Schools will be given a member of staff 0.2 FTE to work as a Mentor for a targeted group of pupils.

➤ **CIO**

Two Continuous Improvement Officers Phil McGhee and Morag Hay will visit on 29th and 30th November to observe lessons. The focus will be on S1 and S2.

➤ **Public Speaking**

The Inter-House Public Speaking Completion went well with Orla Chambers S5 winning the individual prize and Colville House winning the House Trophy.

➤ **The Wizz**

Mr. Birch thanked everyone who helped and attended the school.

➤ **Parent Council**

There are two vacancies that have become available on the Parent Council, there are 4 names coupled with personal statements that will be posted out to all homes for you to vote on and post back to the school.

➤ **Food Kiosk**

NLC are considering providing another food Kiosk. Selling sandwiches etc. The children will be encouraged to suggest the health menu options.

❖ **S4 Prelims**

Jennifer Di Mambro advised the S4 prelims will be taking place from 28th November until the 1st week in December, all S4 that are undertaken 5 or more National 5's will be on study leave for this period of time, pupils undertaking 4 or less National 5 exams will follow their school timetable as usual, study leave will be taken the day before and the day of the exam.

All pupils have been issued with their exam timetables, slots for such subjects as Music & PE pupils should have spoken to their teachers to be provided with their personnel time slot.

Mrs. Di Mambro has spoken to all S4 pupils regarding wearing full uniform on the day of the exam, their conduct and their punctuality on the day of their exams and what can be taken into the exam.

Pupils have been encouraged to plan their study leave, letter regarding supportive study leave have been given out to the pupils, however if you child does not have one these, please have them report to Jennifer Di Mambro to collect a copy.

Tracking reports will be issued in January 2017; this will detail where each pupil is with their subjects and what goals have been set for the next tracking period.

S4 prelims should be marked and results issued back to pupils approximately Dec/Jan.

Treasure's Reports

Jacqui informed everyone that we had raised £550.00 from the raffles & Teas and Coffees at the recent school show, huge thank you for everyone's continued support.

Letter of thanks has been received from the Girls Netball Team in regards to the PTA's donation £300.00 donation in order for new dresses to be purchased.

Upcoming Events



Xmas Raffle

The PTA have been busy collecting donations from company's within our local community, a full list of prizes that can be won will be available on the website in the next couple of weeks, raffle tickets will be coming out this week for you to purchase. If you know of a company who would be interested in donating to our Xmas Raffle we would be delighted to hear from them by e-mailing us at Dalziel-pta@live.co.uk

A.O.B

A Sponsor for the Netball Team is currently being sought by the PTA and we are in talks with a Local Housebuilder, when the details have been confirmed the PTA will provide an update going forward.

As always if you have any ideas/suggestions for any other fundraising events we could hold or if there is a topic you would like us to present, please feel free to email us at Dalziel-pta@live.co.uk or even better come along to our next meeting where you can put forward your idea to the group as we would love to hear from you.

Next Meetings

Monday 16th January 2017 @ 19:30

Meeting Closed
