**St Nicholas’ Primary School Parent Council 2021/22**

**Meeting Title**: St Nicholas’ Parent Council Meeting

**Meeting date**: Tuesday 18th January 2022

**Meeting location**: Virtual Meeting Teams: Time: 6.30 pm – 8.00 pm

**Attendees**

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| **Name**  | **Role**  |   |
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| Rachael MacDonald  | Chair  | RMD  |
| Donal McDermot Vicki Roger | St Andrew’s Church RepSt Joseph’s Church Rep   | DMD VR |
| Caitlin McKenna  | Member  | CMK  |
| Anne Quinn  | Member  | AQ  |
| Laura Jardine  | Member  | LJ  |
| Charlotte Grogan Angela MurrayCarol LennonAileen Darley Gillian Harkness Rebecca MeighanJanine PeckNatalie MathesonJackie McCollAura MurphyStephanie Bryson | Head Teacher Depute DeputeTeacher MemberMember MemberMember Member Member Member | CG AMCLADGHRMJPNMJMCAMSB |

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Signed: Vicki Roger,, Clerk, 18th January 2022

1. **Welcome and Apologies**
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**2.1 Head Teacher Report**

 Covid staffing issues like all other schools. Head Teacher and Deputes have covered for absent colleagues. There are two support staff vacancies, one post has been advertised and the other is awaiting authorisation from EDC. Christmas activities went well. The children enjoyed them and the feedback was good. Still no assemblies. House captains have met via zoom and they are enjoying meeting. Children can now mix outdoors - unless there are 2 covid cases in the class. Then bubbles would be reintroduced.

**2.2 Outdoor Learning**

Working with the junior management team. Staff training will be needed for the outdoor learning. Will book for August. Outdoor learning should be part of learning, not extra. The garden will be used by all stages. Will be part of the ongoing school improvement and the children will be involved. Parents have offered to start a gardening club. A full copy of the 30+page report conducted by Love Outdoor Learning in December 2021 can be supplied on request.

**2.3 School Website**

Teacher and a Depute have been exploring a greater use of the website and how to do regular updates with out too much extra work. Would be much easier if there is only one platform rather than 3. Seesaw blogs are free to access and easy to use. They will continue to work on it with the help of the office. Seesaw will be the main platform.. Teachers will update their own classes.

**2.4 Uniform Questionnaire**

The uniform questionnaire has been completed. 126 people said yes to a school PE kit to allow children to come in to school dressed for PE. 10 said no and 18 people had no preference. . If the children wish to come to school in their uniform and get changed they still can.

**2.5 Constitution**

It was agreed that the Constitution of the council requires reviewing and this will be for the council or a subcommittee to progress this matter at the next meeting.

**2.6 Barriers Update**

Work erecting the new barriers at Ledi junction to start in February. EDC have also been asked to look at the driveway and how to sort the issues re driveway access and preventing moving around on the driveway at pick up and drop off times. . Local councillors will be contacted again regarding the road safety issues.

**End of Meeting**

Next meetings are 22nd March and 14th June.