

# Alehousewells Parent Council - Minutes of Meeting



<b>Location</b>	Microsoft Teams	<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	29 <sup>th</sup> November 2022, 6.30pm
<b>Attendees</b>	Carol Hughes (Head Teacher), Mary Thomson (Chair), Faye Emslie (Vice Chair), Laura Laoye (Treasurer), Anna Soper (Secretary), Charlie Moynagh, Samantha Fleming		
<b>Apologies</b>	Mike Low, Louise Thorburn, Mandy McLean, Lara Sangster		
<b>Agenda</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Chair's Report</li> <li>2. Treasurer's Report</li> <li>3. Head Teacher's Report</li> <li>4. AOB</li> </ol>		

Item No.	Discussion Points	Actionee	Due Date
1.	<p>Chair's Report</p> <p>Mary is still waiting to hear back regarding musical equipment and will provide update once information has been received.</p>	Info	N/A
2.	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>Accounts have been distributed prior to the meeting. Once cheques for Panto contribution and Santa books have been cashed the bank balance will be £2,252.17.</p>	Info	N/A
3.	<p>Head Teacher's Report</p> <p>Current School Roll – 121 Current Nursery Roll – 30 Staffing – Pupil Support Worker Mrs Hendricks has left, search for replacement is ongoing.</p> <p>The process of creating the Sensory Garden is moving slowly due to the fact that the Council requires three (3) quotations in order to make a decision. Quotations are currently being obtained.</p> <p>The school is in Christmas mode with the Christmas Fair, Shows, Parties and Panto coming up. The preparations are in full swing – letters for play tickets have been sent home and the wrapping of gifts for the Christmas Fair is almost finished. Thanks to PTA for the contributions towards books and Panto. A reminder of Panto payment to be sent out after Christmas Fair.</p> <p>During the recent In Service Days the teachers reviewed the current Behaviour Policy and drafted up a new policy promoting positive behaviour. This policy will be issued to parents for review on 30th November 2022. Once feedback has been reviewed, it will then hopefully be issued at the start of 2023.</p> <p>It had been requested to discuss how the school plans and also homework. The school follows the Scottish Curriculum for Excellence, which is broken down into regional Frameworks (Aberdeenshire has its own Framework), This framework includes benchmarks based on an average child. The child's progress in reports is based on these benchmarks, they are also used to plan and assess. The school values are an additional tool to plan. The teachers plan daily, weekly and monthly. Feedback is usually given to the children verbally in situations as they arise.</p>	<p>Info</p> <p>Info</p> <p>HT</p> <p>Info</p> <p>Info</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Week 49</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>N/A</p>

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	<p>With regards to homework the last survey revealed that the split on more or less homework is around 50:50. It is a very difficult subject and the school will never be able to meet the expectations of every family. Another survey is planned for the new year to review the current feedback.</p> <p>Prior to the next school disco the Primary School Discos Code of Conduct document should be reviewed and updated. A copy will be distributed to PTA members.</p>	<p>Info</p> <p>HT</p>	<p>N/A</p> <p>Week 49</p>
4.	<p>AOB</p> <p>Previously there has been four (4) discos per year (February, Summer, September and Halloween). For the next disco a provisional date of 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 has been agreed upon and is to be confirmed to school prior to the end of the term.</p> <p>Due to the weather the painting of the fence has been postponed and is to be discussed during the next meeting.</p> <p>Date of next meeting agreed as Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 6.30pm. This will be in person at school, however there will also be an option for virtual attendance.</p>	<p>Info</p>	<p>N/A</p>