

MINUTES

HYNDLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL

PARENT COUNCIL MEETING 16 Jan 2020

Present

Parents	Staff
Thomas Wilson (Chair)	Louise Edgerton (Head Teacher)
Colin Hamilton (Secretary)	Jodie Stewart (Deputy Head Teacher)
Alison Guthrie (Treasurer)	Gavin Tulloch
Alastair Dalton-Hopwood	Kate Samuel
Colin Hamilton (Secretary)	Donna Mitchell
Marie-Therese Martin	
Amy Bryson	
T McKelvie	
Jane Scoular	
Marsaili Fraser	
Lis Uping	
Nan Gourley	
Armand Gerard	
Jean Sutherland (Minutes)	Apologies
Naheed Crosbie	Rachel McNeill
Stephen McCabe	
Kirsty Greaves	
Stephanie Dunda	
Mary Dunne	
Jill Johnston	

1 Tea and Coffee

Tea and coffee was kindly provided by the school.

2 Welcome and Introductions

Tom W welcomed all to the meeting.

3 Head Teacher (HT) Report

Mr Tulloch showed a film produced by pupils that summarised the schools highlights over the last period. The film has also been shown in assembly.

Ms Edgerton delivered the HT report. Summary in Appendix 1

Mrs Edgerton highlighted some parents events that are coming soon -

- Community Cafe drop-in for parent/carers – last Friday of each month (starting 31st Jan). 9.30 to 10.30. Detail are on the school website.

- Parent Workshop – Getting Teenagers to Cooperate – Thursday 30th January 4pm to 6pm in staff room. All parents/carers welcome to come along. (Now moved to 5th Feb)
- Scotland’s Biggest Parents Evening – Glasgow Science Centre - 30th Jan 4pm to 7pm.

Action 1 - Ms Stewart will find out if the Parent Workshops could be run in the evening.

4 PT Equity and Attainment

Ms Samuel gave a presentation about the schools involvement in the John Muir award. (See Appendix 2 for slides)

Ms Samuel and Ms Mitchel are hoping to increase the involvement of pupils and families within the John Muir award scheme. Ms Samuel spoke about the benefits of outdoor activities for participants and the community and school. They ask that any parents wishing to become involved in participating or helping to organise events should get in touch.

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Action 2 – Parent Council to discuss how we could become involved. To be added to agenda for future meeting.

5 Parents Learning Walk

Jodie Steward gave a presentation about the recent Parents Learning Walk where parents observed lessons and met and discussed the school with pupils. All those involved – parents and teachers - were very positive about the event. The parents involved were all very impressed by the teaching they observed.

The school is planning to hold another Parents Learning Walk covering a different group of subjects.

6 Approval of minutes of previous meeting

PC Minutes (amended) from 6 November 2019 were approved.

7 Matters Arising and Previous Actions

No actions or matters arising

8 Any Other Business

1. Jean S - Proposed we should move from 6 meetings a year to 3 meetings and 3 events. This should be formalised by amending our constitution. It was agreed to hold a fuller discussion at the next Parent Council. Action 3 – add this item to next PC Agenda

2. Alison G – Treasurers Report - no change to financial position since last meeting. We have £2291 in our account, £1000 of this already committed to funding for school equipment.
3. Question – Could speaker on Getting Teenagers to Cooperate come to a PC meeting? Action 4 – Ms Stewart will find out.
4. Question – Does the PC ever do fundraising? Brief discussion confirmed that we have not done so for some time but this would be welcomed by the school. Action 5 – Add this item into discussion on PC activities to be held at next meeting.
5. Meeting Schedule for remainder of 2019/2020 school year –
 - Thursday 16th January 2020 – 6.30pm
 - Tuesday 3rd March 2020 – 6.30pm
 - Wednesday 29th April 2020 – 6.30pm
 - Thursday 4th June 2020 – 6.30pm

9 Summary of Actions

1	Ms Stewart will find out if the Parent Workshops could be run in the evening.
2	Parent Council to discuss how we could become involved in John Muir award work being led by Ms Samuel and Ms Mitchell. To be added to agenda for future meeting.
3	Proposal to move from 6 meetings to 3 meetings and 3 events to be added to agenda for next PC meeting.
4	Ms Stewart will find out if the Parent Workshops could be run at a PC meeting
5	Discussion on whether PC should fundraise for the school to be added to agenda to next PC meeting. (May be part of same discussion as for action 3).

REMINDER - Date of next meeting is Tuesday 3rd March 2020 at 6.30pm

APPENDIX 1 – Head Teachers Report - Notes

HT Report January 2020

Primary visits scheduled, lots of moderation work with English colleagues and P5,6 and 7

Observations

Primary 7 STEM club

Mod Lang input

JUNIOR SCHOOL

S1: Early Secondary opportunity work with Glasgow University

Wider University opportunities

Panto theatre visits

S2:

Start of Options Process, presentations to young people from young people. Pastoral Care input, My World of Work input, S2 Info Evening 13th Feb, S2 Careers Event, Monday 24th February

Dr McMahon delivered artificial intelligence and data to computing students

S3:

Baldy Bane Theatre company 3rd Feb to complement work in PSE and Drama_

Big Bang Competition winners

2 National competitions in Birmingham Finalists

Senior School:

Week one of Exam seasons – Masterclasses / Exam support

Blairvadach S4 weekend 16 staff involved over the weekend and 50 young people

Senior one to follow

Youth Philanthropy Initiative final to take place at the end of the month

UCAS applications on going, massive number

College workshops on going

Senior Netball – Victory over St Andrews and Jordanhill

Hyndland Foxes in action end of month

Blood Run – S6 involvement

ECO ambassadors at Partickhill sharing ideas around sustainability

Mia Steven runner up in the Great debate competition

Eve DB – Film making award

Family Engagement:

Parenting workshops – Reducing Family conflict tonight

Getting teenagers to cooperate – 30th Jan 4-6pm

Scotland's Biggest Parents' Evening 30th January 4-7pm Glasgow Science Centre, hear directly from Industry and apprentices on skills and qualifications, CEO of Glasgow Science centre will present on the changing jobs of the future.

Friday 31st Jan – 9.30 – 10.30 Campus Cop/Community Cafe

Seasons for Growth Programme – 2 PSAs and Katherine from the Charity – bereavement and loss

Website 5 ways to wellbeing NEW

Wider school:

Learning and Teaching – Parent Visits – Jodie will follow up

Music HSS On tour CHRISTMAS – Cathedral including poetry, Sanctuary, community centre, Lambhill Stables, Princes Square

School environment – New Labs coming, CONNECT CORRIDOR

LGBT Gold Journey

RRS – Gold Journey – Marys Meals work

Cybber Security Winners

STEM Event – Learning together

Ski trip

Foodbank appeals 136 full bags!

Eco group to Sainsburys

APPENDIX 2 - Slides from PT Equity and Attainment Presentation



John Muir Family Award

"I looked at books, I looked at maps, I looked at atlases, I enjoyed that, but the thing that inspired me most of all was being taken from the school into the local area to look at nature." Michael Palin

John Muir Award

The John Muir Award invites you to:



Discover a wild place

This can be your school grounds, a local park, a beach, woods, a river, a mountain or a national park.



Explore its wildness

Experience, enjoy and find out more about your wild place(s).



Conserve it

Take some practical action and personal responsibility.



Share your experiences

Let others know what you've been up to, what you've achieved and what you've learned.



LAMBHILL STABLES



WHITELEE WIND FARM



POLLOK PARK

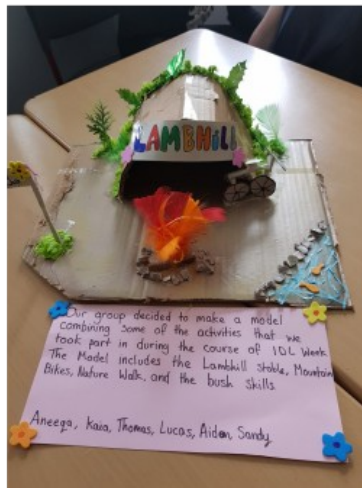
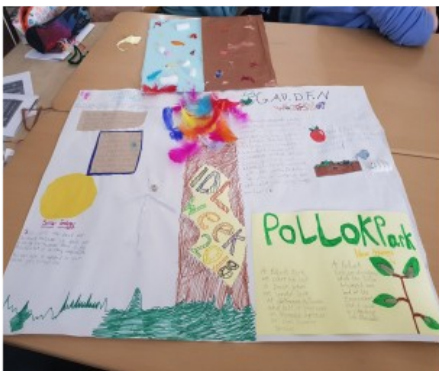




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SHAREDAY



Benefits of Outdoor Learning

- One of the main foundations of the John Muir Charity is that they believe “wild places are essential for the wellbeing of people and wildlife.”
- Working with like minded groups to promote sustainable activities whilst also improving health and wellbeing
- Protect and nurture local green spaces
- “Research suggests that outdoor activities enable people to engage physically, intellectually, emotionally and spiritually with other people within outdoor environments.” – the International Handbook for Outdoor Studies

Taking the programme forward

- We are looking for parental volunteers
- Community knowledge and connections
- Opportunities available
- Events
- Support group
- Completing paperwork



S1 IDL
John Muir Award
Record Book



<p>Discover a wild place</p> <p>What wild places have you discovered?</p> <p>What did you like or not like about the wild places you visited?</p> <p>What's special about them?</p>			<p>Explore its witness</p> <p>What have you done to get to know wild places? Have you any questions?</p> <p>What things have you found out?</p>
<p>Conserve take Responsibility</p> <p>How have you taken responsibility?</p> <p>What have you done to make a difference and put something back for wild places?</p>			<p>Share your experiences</p> <p>Who have you shared with?</p> <p>How have you shared your experiences of wild places?</p> <p>What things have you thought about?</p> <p>How do wild places make you feel?</p>



If you have any questions or you would like to get in touch:

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