

MPP Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 19th March 2024

1. Attendees: Mel Forsyth, Lynne Brechin, Allison Niven, Kirsty McCaroll, Iain Anderson,
Apologies: Avril O'Dea
2. Food for Thought Update & Gardening Club
 - a. Compost Bins to be constructed by end of next week. If IA unable to do this – to let Mrs S know) These need to be ready for Pupil Council Rep Kirsty Grey's gardening club initiative. They will be collecting food waste from parents for use in planters etc.
 - b. Once the FFT project is fully established and up and running – a visit is to be arranged for the Rotary to demonstrate how their funding contributed to the project.
3. Head Teacher Update
 - a. 2.3 Visit Feedback – The school received very positive feedback from the senior leaders who attended the 2.3 visit.
 - b. Parking and road safety – David Balfour organized a photo shoot outside Moray highlighting the parking issues outside local parking schools. MPP invite would have been welcomed as parking signs were purchased by MPP a few years ago. MPP have always raised parking as an issue at Moray.
 - c. Pupil Council will conduct a HGIOS survey before Easter.
 - d. Class Configuration 24-25. Mrs Stewart advised that more composite classes are guaranteed due to falling roll numbers. Every school is facing the same. The planned distribution will be confirmed end of May.
 - e. Children's Day Theme will be 'Sing' Sarah Govan PTA is coordinating the painting / decorations and will require additional help nearer the time.
4. Premises Update
 - a. The boiler has yet to be replaced – following the repairs in the winter. Mrs S chasing them for an answer
 - b. CCTV – only 1 camera is working due to a cabling issue – looking for an update prior to the summer hols.
 - c. Many of the blinds in classrooms require replacement. Prices are being sourced for roller blinds from local suppliers.
 - d. Old Strip lighting in schools will soon become an issue as the authority are running low on stock.
 - e. Flooring in parts of the school is not great and requires attention.

5. Future funding streams / ideas

- a. Mel gathered some information from the local funding fair for grants available that could be worth applying for in the future.
 - a. Edinburgh Airport – Applications for the August panel (30th August) will open in May. Max grant £7,000. The fund will consider applications from Edinburgh, Falkirk, the Lothians, and Fife that support and reflect material issues and deliverables contained within one or more of the four pillars of Edinburgh Airport's Greater Good sustainability strategy. These pillars are: Zero Carbon, Enhancing Scotland, Scotland's Best Business, Trusted Neighbour. Only non-profit organisations may apply (e.g. charities, community councils, local school groups, community interest companies). Priority will be given to proposals benefitting those living within the communities closest to the airport, or those most affected by aircraft noise and airport operations, and for initiatives relating to:
 - i. The mitigation against and reduction of the effects of a changing climate.
 - ii. The reduction of local, negative environmental impacts.
 - iii. Supporting local biodiversity, rewilding, and/or restoration of the natural world.
 - iv. The enhancement of local business, community groups and long-term sustainable partnerships in the airport's surrounding area.
 - v. Improving healthy working lives and increase upskilling and employment opportunities for the socially isolated, economically deprived, and/or otherwise disadvantaged persons.
 - vi. Improving care, expanding opportunity, providing shelter, and enabling rehabilitation of vulnerable groups in the community.
 - vii. Providing urgent, targeted, local support during the cost-of-living crisis.
 - b. Community Schools Charity Board – up to £2000. Awaiting information on date of next review.
[Community funding - Community Schools Charity Board Funding | Falkirk Council.](#)
 - c. Other – Seemingly the Asda scheme is stopping – and Tesco Blue coins has a lengthy waiting list. (Allison / Avril)

6. Date of next meeting

Monday 20th May