

PARENT COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

DEAR PARENT FORUM AND CHILDREN

Last term we raised an amazing £3,800 and couldn't have done this without your support!! Well done!! This has enabled us to contribute £2,825 towards new iPads for the teaching staff to support their classroom teaching and contribute towards the playdale repairs.

This term we have held our parent council and fundraising group meetings, held the Valentines disco and we have been discussing the new home learning policy that has been introduced.

MEETINGS

Parent Council Meetings

Our meetings this term have focused on current/relevant topics such as the home learning changes, open evening events, behavior policy, improvement plan discussion, staffing and information sharing from other forums attended by our office bearers. We also provide an update from the fundraising group and have a report from our treasurer at each meeting.

Fundraising Subgroup Meetings

Our meetings have focused on agreeing and organizing fundraising events such as the Valentines' disco and Easter Bingo as well as future events scheduled for next term. We use these meeting to take on feedback from events to continue to improve the events and to look at new events. The events raise valuable funds for the school and we thank you for all the support you provide at our events.

All parents/guardians are welcome along to these meetings.

Last parent council meeting was held on 5th March 2019. Last fundraising subgroup meeting held 23rd January 2019. The latest parent council meeting minutes are available on www.loirston.aberdeen.sch.uk

VALENTINES DISCO

We hope all the children enjoyed the Valentines disco on the 19th February. All the children were very well behaved and there was lots of fab dancing. The glow and tuck (especially the mix ups) were as popular as ever. We raised £265. Well done!



SAVE THE DATE

Confirmed events for next term are:

Easter Bingo - 23rd April
Book Fayre - w/c 3rd June
Parents Night - 4th & 6th June
Summer Disco - 11th June
P7 prom - 21st June

Parent Council Meeting - 8th May

All nursery and year groups are invited along to the Easter Bingo and the Book Fayre and we are hoping to invite the nursery children transitioning to P1 (school and private nursery) to the summer disco.

How YOU can get involved



We really need to hear from all parents and children (nursery through to P7) on what works well, what doesn't work well, what can we improve and what do we need to focus on. We need to hear your feedback, your opinions and your ideas. It is important that you help us make our school the best it can be.

You can come along to the meetings.

All parents are welcome to attend the meetings and become a member of the parent council and/or fundraising subgroup. These meetings are a great opportunity to find out what is happening at the school and the parent council and being part of the decisions on school matters and fundraising.

Please remember you can contact the parent council and subgroup through the channels below:

Email: pcloirston@aberdeen.npfs.org.uk, or find us on Facebook.

If you cannot make the meetings, **please** take the time to let us hear from you.

Our aim is to involve as much parents as possible and to keep all parents informed.


OTHER WAYS TO GET INVOLVED:

- Volunteer at school
- School improvements (complete surveys, making suggestions, taking part in working groups)
- Sharing skills
- Sharing experiences of life and work
- Just being there

WHY GET INVOLVED:

- You can help children get the most out of their school experience
- As a parent **you** can make an enormous difference, to your child's chances of success in school, at home and in their later life.
- **Parent councils** help **parents** and carers to become more actively **involved** in their children's learnings. It is recognized that parents play an important role both in their own child's learning and in the life of their school, support the school and head teacher in developing strong home/school partnerships.
- You can voice your opinions and help make decisions on school matters
- You can take on as much or as little as you are able
- You learn more about how the school works
- You can help raise funds
- **To ensure we have a parent council and have a voice**

Thank you again for your support.

Look out for our design an  competition..... coming soon.

We look forward to seeing you next term at our meetings and/or events.