Campbeltown Grammar School Parent Council Meeting

Monday 20th January 2025 at 7pm - CGS

<u>Present:</u> <u>Apologies:</u>

Kirsty Donnelly, Head Teacher Alix Osbourne, Teacher rep.

Joanna Holbrook, Chairperson Karen Brodie
Carole Tait, Secretary Katrina Barr

Laura Hunter, TreasurerAndrea MacShannonEilidh AndersonCarol McEachranLinda GalbraithClaire MitchellLindsay GriffinRuth RussellLizzie JasperKristin Gillies

Catherine Ann Macauley Rebecca Hill

Valerie McKay Julie Rutherford
Malcolm McFadzean

Lorna Reid <u>Councilers</u>
Emma Woods John Armour
Tommy MacPherson Jennifer Kean

Welcome and apologies

• JH welcomed everyone and apologies received as above.

Previous minutes of October 2024

- Alix Osborne named as designated teacher to attend PC meetings.
- Funding received from Campbeltown Community Wind Farm for the French trip has been returned due to the trip being postponed.
- Homework scheduling has not changed and KD to check with teachers extended times on submitting homework. KD indicated any parent may request a meeting with the school/teacher at any time to discuss their child/ren.
- EW confirmed £1,500 was received from J. Mitchell which will go towards transport costs and events to be agreed.

<u>Agenda</u> <u>Action</u>

TEACHERS HEAD REPORT

- 1. KD shared staffing issues. Can be viewed on weekly updates online.
- 2. Prelim diets complete and some results have been issued.
- 3. Interim reports due to be shared with parents.
- 4. Attendance, uniform and raising attainment on agenda for improvement.
 - Support for families and a wellbeing officer is in place to assist with students
- 5. Thank you to parents/carers for their support at the Christmas concert.
- 6. Badminton success for winners and 3 individuals are from CGS for the nationals.
- 7. Thank you to all involved with the Christmas events and learning support coffee morning raising funds.

- 8. Option forms are currently being completed and a parents evening to take place soon in February. Option booklets will be posted on the website and shared in newsletters. College will hold a parent's night and dates will be posted in newsletters.
- 9. Education officers still visiting the school and there will be a short review on 18/19th March.
- 10. KD to give an update on missing Spanish lessons and where the support will be made for Spanish lessons. There was concern from Aug to Dec only one period a week was being taught missing a total of 12 weeks in teaching/learning. Results of prelims will be looked at and areas recognised for improvement and what actions to take. Private tuition is being used without the school which should not be the case and KD confirmed teachers should be offering help for students where areas are needed for improvement. Concern for Maths teacher not being available at parent's evenings was raised.
- 11. Homework diaries are not being adhered to and KD to raise issue with KD teachers. If a class is missed, student should be able to see the lesson on google classroom. KD to remind teachers to post class work. School moving to Teams format. Parents to be notified about what is available for studying. KD confirmed there will be another round of prelims.
- 12. Mock timetable will be similar from before.

FUNDRAISING

 Coop/Christmas concert fundraiser stall was successful and raised a total of £543.45. The bingo raised a total of £679.60 and PC thanked the community and everyone who contributed. KD to email suggestions for the PC to contribute funds to. EW/CT to send form to school to complete requests where funding is needed. Possibilities; English theatre trips, Transportation, archery club, Duke of Edinburgh, use of the Picture House where learning support could make use as well as live streams of plays due to distance.

KD/EW/CT

KD

 A March coffee morning hosted by PC to take place at the Town hall. Suggested dates to be sent out to the committee by doodle voting. Music department/bands to be asked to play at the event. Possible JH/CT Art display by the students could be featured.

FINANCIAL REPORT

LH confirmed £300 went to the chefs club. Bank of Scotland had given compensation of £70 due to the difficulties of opening an account online which has been finalised. A total of £5,495 is the current balance.

AOB

Swimming competitions have been successful and 5 pupils representing Argyll & Bute have come from CGS.* Thank you card and biscuits received from the History department for raising funds for their trip. * KD to review study leave and look at wider achievement periods as concerns over pupils not having KD time to study within in their schedules. *TM offered his services if any requests are needed from the council.

Dates for next meetings; 11/03/25 and 07/05/25 at 7pm at CGS.