

# CORNBANK PRIMARY SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP

**Minute of Meeting on  
Monday 5 September 2022 at  
6.45 p.m. held within Cornbank Primary School**

## **Present**

Lucy Brown (Parent, Rotating Chair)  
Susan Cochrane (Parent)  
Lesley Deas (Principal Teacher)  
Andrew Drysdale (Depute Head)  
Mary Hadwen (Parent)  
Jan Harding (Parent)  
Nicola McEwan (Parent)  
Fiona Neil (Parent)  
Lynsey Stevenson (Head Teacher)  
Lynsey Weir (Minutes Clerk)  
Laura Wilson (Parent)  
Lyn Young (Parent, Secretary)

## **Apologies**

Lorna Glasgow (Parent)  
Carol Hodgkin (Treasurer)  
Joni Macdonald (Parent)

### **1.0 WELCOME AND APOLOGIES.**

Lucy Brown opened the meeting by welcoming all. Apologies noted.

### **2.0 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTE & MATTERS ARISING.**

Minute of meeting on 06/06/22

- 1) Minutes approved.

### **3.0 SCHOOL UPDATE.**

#### **Staffing:**

- Welcome to Laura Mason in P2M and Rachel Ball (Non Class Contact Cover)

#### **School Improvement Plan:**

- Staff in Enquiry Groups to look at developing priorities
- Literacy - sharing of new resources including digital and benchmarking tool; moderation; review of current resources including spelling
- Numeracy - pedagogy and planning; problem solving and assessment
- Nurture - supporting positive relationships, nurture principles, promote UNCRC, Drawing and Talking support, use of 'fix it' folders
- Digital Learning - Staff working with Google Workspace, progression for learning, Digital Safety skills, supporting teaching of writing
- ASG - looking at consistency across PHS feeder schools in Numeracy
- In-Service Day looking at Midlothian's aims for year ahead, Read/Write Toolbar and school organisation

#### **What's Been Happening Since We Last Met:**

- P1 parent drop in on day one
- Establishment Phase in classes - #RISE values, nurture principles, growth mindset, classroom routines, toolkit, zones of regulation, class charters
- Chromebooks issued to P4 pupils

- P3-7 Home Learning Consultation with staff/families
- P4 Swimming started
- P1 Curriculum Evening
- Building Resilience Launched for the session
- Children selecting Pupil Voice groups
- P2-7 Meet the Teacher
- SSPCA visiting P1-2 and P4-5 classes
- Class Charters Assembly
- HT Newsletter issued

#### **What's Coming Up?**

- Reading books issued
- P2 and P3 Drumming
- House Captains Election
- School Nurse Drop In
- Eco Week/One Planet Picnic/Eco Assembly
- SQIP to parents issued
- September Weekend
- LOLs issued - one for this term as we complete review
- Nurture CAT Session for staff
- Pupil Voice Groups to meet
- Bike to School Week
- Maths Week Scotland activities

#### **Support:**

- Support for transport for trips?
- What would families like to see in communications from the school?
- Promoting a general awareness of the needs of our school community

#### **4.0 TREASURER REPORT.**

- 1) The balance of the account is £4,735.80.

#### **5.0 COFFEE DEN.**

- 1) Lucy Brown proposed re-introducing the Coffee Den dates for Friday mornings or at Class Assemblies. They were always popular and raised some funds and provided a chance for all parents and carers to enjoy a cuppa and a blether. Dates were discussed – the first one will be held between 9-11am on Friday 23 September within the Music room.

#### **6.0 HALLOWEEN DISCOS.**

- 1) Lucy Brown ran through what the Partnership used to organise for Halloween pre-covid. What plans for this year? School to confirm thoughts asap in order for planning to get underway.
- 2) Other fundraising ideas for throughout the year were discussed – World Book Day; Easter.

#### **7.0 PE CLOTHING**

- 1) Lucy Brown asked for confirmation of clothing for PE days as several parents have asked. School confirmed that they will continue to ask pupils to come dressed in suitable PE clothing on their class allocated gym day. This will be reviewed over the year.

## **FUNDING**

- 8.0** 1) School requested funding support towards the Halloween discos as per previous years. Lucy Brown to liaise with school to confirm costs.

## **PARKING**

- 9.0** 1) School reminded all to park smartly around the school area as there have been numerous instances of cars parked in front of garages, over driveways, dangerously and in some occasions left with the engine running. The Police paid a visit to school last week and will be following up with visits to areas affected during drop off and pick up times. They have advised this could result in issuing parking tickets. There are plenty of spaces to park sensibly but if you need any guidance please contact the school. A reminder will go into the school newsletter, Twitter and Facebook.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS.**

- 10.0** 1) The school nurse will visit between 9-11am on Friday 9 September based in the Music room. She can assist with all aspects of emotional health and wellbeing including toileting, anxiety management, sleep etc. All welcome to drop in.
- 2) School advised that a 'Pre Loved uniform share' is being discussed with rails of clothing being available to browse – information will be revealed in the newsletter.
- 3) School confirmed that Nurturing will be focussed upon and we are looking at setting up a support group for parents and carers of pupils with additional support needs.

## **11.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING.**

- 1) The next meeting will be held on Monday 3 October 2022, at 1830hrs. It is planned to hold this meeting in person, subject to current covid circumstances, otherwise it will be via zoom link. Lyn Young will Chair this meeting.
- 2) Future meeting dates are set as follows – 6.30pm, Monday 7 November 2022.
- 3) Venue confirmed as Cornbank Primary for all meetings Covid-19 restrictions permitting, otherwise via Zoom.