**Minutes of Parent & Carers Group Meeting 14th Jan 25**

**7pm - Langside Primary School**

**Chaired by Kirsty Peacock**

**Present**

Mr Meehan Head Teacher

Kirsty Peacock Clerk

Ruth McIntosh PCG

Oona Tanner PCG

Tricia de Vries PCG

Elisa Alvarez-Curto PCG

**Apologies**

Nick Bradbury

Nikki McCormick

Lauren Hannah

Stephen Nicol

Olivia Hanley

Nancy Lombard

**1. Welcome**

Kirsty opened the meeting.

**2. Head Teacher’s Update**

**Langside Primary School PCG: HT Report January 2025**

**Updated Staffing Confirmed**

* Miss Louise Hunter has returned from MAT Leave - P2a
* Miss Emily Bright, continues in P1b until the end of session as backfill for Natasha Aujla (Acting DHT)
* Miss Bethany Alarcon-Johnston continues in her RCCT role on a rolling basis, week to week

**Support for Learning Workers Update**

* Steph Stewart – 20hrs/week, now in post
* Full complement of SfLWs now in place

**Leadership Team Update**

* Sarah Harrison – Acting PT to end of financial year (31st March)
* Hazel Dalgleish – PT
* Lauren Hannah – Acting PT (21.10.24 - Natasha Aujla Acting DHT Secondment cover)
* Stephen Nicol – DHT
* Nikki McCormick – DHT
* Paul Meehan - HT

**Roll Update 24/25**

* 324 pupils in 13 classes.
* Spaces at all stages

**Class Assemblies – Celebration of Learning**

* Continued approach next session with 9.05 open doors and 9.30am start but with a return to Tuesdays.

| **Class** | **Days** |
| --- | --- |
| P4/3c | 28th January 2025 |
| P3/2m | 4th February 2025 |
| P2a | 11th February 2025 |
| P6k | 25th February 2025 |
| P4a | 4th March 2025 |
| P5h | 11th March 2025 |
| P5m | 18th March 2025 |
| P6m | 1st April 2025 |
| P1b | 6th May 2025 |
| P1s | 13th May 2025 |

**ICT Development 24/25 Term 2**

* P7, P6 and P5 1 to 1 iPads
* P1-4 Shared iPads in classes (8 approx. per class, numbers based on class size).
* Seesaw codes shared with parents for P1-4 (P5-7 should still be logged in on home, further codes can be issued if required).

**Parent Portal/Parent Pay**

* Clerical Team continue to support parents with any issues.

**PE/Outdoor Learning**

* 2 hours of PE each week, both indoor and outdoor.
* Outdoor Learning encouraged as appropriate.

| **Class** | **Days** |
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| P1B | Wednesday  Thursday (both indoor) |
| P1S | Thursday (indoor)  Friday (outdoor) |
| P2A | Tuesday (indoor)  Thursday (outdoor) |
| P3/2M | Wednesday (indoor)  Thursday (outdoor) |
| P3M | Tuesday  Friday (both indoor) |
| P4/3C | Monday (indoor)  Thursday (outdoor) |
| P4A | Monday  Thursday (both indoor) |
| P5H | Tuesday  Friday (both indoor) |
| P5M | Tuesday (outdoor)  Thursday (outdoor) |
| P6K | Monday (indoor)  Wednesday (outdoor) |
| P6M | Monday (indoor)  Tuesday (outdoor) |
| P7A | Tuesday (outdoor)  Wednesday (indoor) |
| P7L | Wednesday (swimming)  Friday (indoor) |

**Fundraising Events/PTC**

* Pre-loved Uniform continues to be promoted and supported by PCG/Parent volunteers. Special thanks for the ongoing efforts to organise and display stock!
* Ceilidh – Thursday 6th February, times tbc
* Spring Fare – date tbc

**Twitter Accounts**

* @LangsideHT – will be HT account, monitored by HT
* @LangsidePri – school account will continue to be regularly monitored
* @LangsidePTC – PTC account – PCG rebranding tbc?

**3. Treasurer Update - Kirsty**

* Balance across the two accounts, £5807 after all known expenditure.
* Christmas bus and P7 trip both paid.
* We are looking at other options for a bank account because of ongoing issues with the Bank of Scotland. Nick will bring a proposal back to the group.

**4. Fundraising Group Update**

* [Fundraising tracker](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10VtK6-_MUw6m6l0KjIzmYgMnuU6q8q8qgMFvDdYAxgQ/edit?gid=0#gid=0)

**Fundraising Priorities**

* Message board - update from hayley - **action Mr Meehan**
* Elisa Tesco proposal - Kirsty shall back to respond to Elisa’s email - **action Kirsty**
* Tesco proposal idea for raised beds for the garden (see AOB for more garen discussion)
* Washing machine has been delivered - plumbing costs are £764.16. After meeting Kirsty suggested PCG support with costs and will ask PCG members - **action Kirsty**
* Notice board - PCG agreed to purchase
* Easy Fundraising - flyer with QR code - **action Calum**
* School will get a list for corporate volunteering tasks - **action school**
* Lauren and Nikki shall compile a wish list for the Community room - **action school**
* Buses for next Christmas trip
* P1 and S1 ties - costs confirmed - we shall get these for P1 welcome packs in additional to our usual S1 ties
* Phil Nailor suggested we start thinking about funding applications now for the cinema trip and P7 tip. Mr Meehan shall provide some words for both - **action Mr Meehan**

**5. Parent engagement - assemblies, uniform shop etc**

* Assemblies - Agreed to do some PCG PR - update the PCG website ‘what we do’ page and make a laminated print out to display - **action Kirsty and Calum**
* Uniform Shop - Kirsty and sister Sarah have been keeping the shop tidy.
* Idea to make up P1 packs for enrollment in May and June - **action Kirsty**

**6. Events**

**Ceilidh planning**

* Thursday 6th Feb - 5:30 to 7:30
* Let and food license to be organised - **action Kirsty**
* ⁠Mr hayes will put the stage back up
* School will come back to us with capacity
* Ticket price suggested agreed £3 each or family ticket £10
* Tricia will do stripe and QR
* Chocolate tombola great idea
* ⁠Suggestion to have a ceilidh chill - It won’t be supervised
* Make clear no booze on the promotion please
* ⁠No fizzy cans
* ⁠Decorations - we shall ask Chris to see if he’s able to do some projections

**Spring Fair Date**

* Date agreed for Saturday 26th April
* Let and food license to be organised - **action Kirsty**

**AOB**

**Garden**

* how to manage the garden in the summer - water barrels for irrigation, LASSCA help in holidays? - **action Mr Meehan will speak with Sheena.**
* There is also a want for top soil, mulch, seeds. Fruit trees, wild strawberries.

**P7 trip**

Ruth asked that a system is set up to track payment for the P7 trip - **action Mr Meehan**

**Mobile phone use**

* Kirsty brought up the [Smartphone Free Childhood](https://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk/) initiative Olivia discussed at previous meeting
* Discussion around how we can support parents and carers with information around mobile phone use - research required - **action Kirsty**
* Kirsty will ask her daughter - Kate S6 Shawlands Academy if she would consider running some info sessions on social media use

**Bluesky social media**

Oona asked if we were using Bluesky. Mr Meehan has set up his own account and will get the school set up too. PCG shall do same - **action Kirsty**

**Date and time of next meeting - Tuesday 25th February - 7pm online**