



Dean Park Primary School

PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Registered Scottish Charity No.24582

Minutes of the PTA Meeting 14 June 2022

PTA Members Present

Laura Howe (LH) – Chair	Lyndsay Smythe (LS)
Nicola Kurth (NK)	Kirsten Beddows (KB)
Heather Nicholson (HN)	Clare Thomson (CT)
Linda Vautherin (LV)	Tizzy Hephher (TH)
Karen Von Kriegsheim (KVK)	Cal McCrea (CM)
Judith Brown (JB)	Kadija Merakchi
Lynsey Binnie (LB)	Paul Rattery (PR)

Nicola Kurth

Louise Spalding

Lorne Noble

Jen Pugh

Jo Gosney

Karen Von Kriegsheim

Heather Nicholson

Cal McCrea

Tizzy hepher

Judith Brown

Paul Ratt?

Lyndsay Smythe

Linda Vautherin

Tina miliglou

Kadija

Jilllian Souksa?

Welcome and apologies

1. The Chair welcomed parent and staff members to the PTA meeting. Apologies were noted.



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Minutes and actions log

2. The minutes of the April meeting were agreed.

Head Teachers Update

3. The headteacher updated the PTA, its been a busy term with a successful Diversity Week, all the children enjoyed Fischy Music workshops (funded by the PTA) and the school achieved Gold Reaccreditation for Rights Respecting Schools Award.
4. Work is ongoing on the curriculum to ensure it remains appropriate including skills for life and work, digital, outdoor learning
5. Priorities going forward include a focus on writing/curriculum, equalities, anti-racism and prejudice work & digital. Expect 1:1 iade for p7b and p6 and then a high ratio for the rest of the school.
6. Next year would have 18 classes with 2 composites based on age, ability and social relationships. 1:1 ipads expected for all P6 and P7 children with a high ratio for the rest of the school.
7. The school were looking forward to the community picnic at weekend and the in-school 50th celebratory picnic on the 24th June.

Treasurer's Report

8. Year end totals – clubs taken around £14k so far, thrift shop has taken around £500, other activities total about £4.5k. Total £19,692, supported the school with around £10k nursery loose parts, books, nurture base and spend around £6.5k in club coaches.
9. Currently the account is around £6k up from last year.
10. It was confirmed that we still wish to retain £3,600 set aside for loose parts and there may be a future funding as for books to change class libraries that reflect diversity. Estimated costs will be provided in due course.

After school clubs

11. Over 200 children taking part in the clubs since they restarted, thanks to all the coordinators. The gymnastics co-ordinator is stepping down so that role needs filled.
12. Investigated parkour but a range of limitations and cost means that it is not feasible.
13. There has been an issue with children dropping out of clubs without informing the co-ordinator, the rules have been updated to clarify that if a child doesn't consistently turn up then their space will be given up.
14. Suggested that a reminder is issued at the start of next term about behaviour policy.

Fundraising

- Autumn Fayre



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15. 29th October had been booked, aim to form a PTA sub-group to co-ordinate the arrangements.
16. We need to agree whether we need to meet any requirements for covid – at this time there was no need to have a one way system and a home baking stall, cafe & face painting (possibly using templates or transfers) could go ahead.
17. Other suggestions were performances from Pentland Singers, Simon Says Dance, Jane Goulding School of Dance, stall with autumn bulbs with decorate your own pots

- Fun run

18. Proposal was to have an inter-school competition, potentially in September.

- Grand prize raffle

19. LH agreed to take forward.

- Christmas cards

20. The co-ordinator will step down after this year, seeking a volunteer to take over, it would be ideal for someone to shadow for this year. The paper work has been done to secure a discount but means the children need to do their pictures in second half of September which and gets the cards earlier to parents.

Matters arising

- Roles to fill

21. We are still looking for a new Secretary and need a co-ordinator for gymnastics which will be advertised.
22. LH is stepping down as chair, Joanne Gosney has agreed to take on the role of Chair, this will become official at the AGM unless any objections are raised.

- Schools 50th anniversary

23. The PTA have funded an ice-cream van, with alternatives being provided by the school. The van will also attend nursery. The school will run party games.
24. Another celebration idea was pass the parcel for each class, the PTA agreed to pay for the prizes.



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- **School leavers gift**

25. Funding for £200 for mugs has been requested, the PTA agreed. The PTA will also support any families of children who need support to attend the leavers celebrations.

- **Future PTA meetings**

26. It was suggested that Lets are requested for all the meetings next academic year but it may be that alternate meetings are held online.

27. AGM is usually done jointly with the Parent Council, it was suggested that it might be face to face and held at the school, possibly with a tour of the school and performances from the children.

28. There was also a potential to combine other meetings to run on the same evening.

Action - NK – to discuss with the Parent Council

- **Nursery/Primary 1 induction pack**

29. The PTA usually provides a P1 induction pack

30. Kadija happy to take forward.

- **Provisional Dates for New School Year PTA meetings and Events**

30th August 2022

27th September 2022

4th October 2022 - AGM

25th October 2022

29th October 2022 – Autumn Fayre

22nd November 2022

17th January 2023

21 March 2023

25th April 2023

6th June 2023

AOB

31. The next meeting is on 30th August 2022.



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Actions log

Start	Referen	Action	Own	Status/progress
27/08/2019	2019/68	CD to set up a form for data protection to allow all new members to be agree that their contact details can be used	LH/ KvK	Forms are on the Google drive. KvK to check if the forms were for clubs and/or PTA members
09/03/2021	2021/01	Pass information on costings for ipads	Sch o ol	Ongoing
09/03/2021	2021/02	Check if PTA have paid for a Smartboard	CT	Ongoing
27/04/2021	2021/06	CM to send a list of ringfenced funds and NR to consider	C M / NR	CM still to send a list. School to email list of invoices for the CM
15/03/2022	2022/03	Follow up on a potential rugby club	LV	
15/03/2022	2022/05	Follow up on the Fun Run	HN	
14/06/2022	2022/06	Discuss potential of combining PTA and PC meetings	NK	

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