

Geàrr Chunntas/ Minutes:

1. An làthair/ Present: Audrey Cavaye, Ingrid Henderson, Corrina MacDonald, Mhairi MacDonald, Catherine MacKinnon, Ali MacLeod, Eileen O' Rua, Moira Robertson, Iain Robertson, John Joseph MacNeil & 3 parents.

Leisgeulan/ Apologies: Cncllr. Allan Henderson, Cncllr Brian Murphy, Paul Dunlop, Morven McPhillips.

2. Gnothach/ Business arising: Minutes approved

2.1. Playground equipment transfer: Safety issues still surround the re-installation of equipment from the old school. Having consulted HC, Iain feels it would only be possible if the original company were involved. **Action: Lyndsey to find out what company were involved and liaise with JJ. Iain to consult further with HC.**

2.2. Sradagan: Ali met with Katrina MacLean, CnG re. new club but awaiting follow up. It was suggested that younger children could be targeted. **Action: Ali to contact Katrina again.**

2.3. Skiing: P7 had a great time during their week and thank you to the PC and CnaG for the funding support. Options for GM ski training for the wider school group are being explored for next year. JJ spoke to Lyndsey Bradley (Acharacle P. Schl) about their whole school ski programme. **Action: JJ liaising with D. Morris for 2016/17 ski season.**

2.4. Còisir Òg Lochabair U19 choir: **Action (carried forward): Old funds to be transferred from Comann nam Pàrant once a bank account is opened.**

2.5. Fosgladh gu oifigeil/ School Opening: Thanks to all for supporting a very successful day.

2.6. Annual Parent Council Funding: Ali has completed the form & returned to Vivienne Johnstone.

2.7. Project Funding: Following previous discussions Margaret Mulholland submitted an application to CnG Taic Freumhan for a Gaelic Family Activity Week at BSGLA. Still awaiting the result. An application has also been made by M. Mulholland for a Gaelic Drama Residency to be shared between Lochaber GM schools/ units. Awaiting confirmation.

2.8. Ties: JJ shared a sample of the Spirit of Scotland tartan and all agreed it would work with the uniform. Ways to order the tie and costs will be shared in the newsletter.

2.9. Ardgour Road: Winter gritting concerns have been raised with the Council. The current road condition/ potholes were also discussed. **Action: Parents to report to Highland Council.**

3. Tachartasan/ Events

3.1. Lauren Reid is working on ideas for lunch time clubs on Mondays and Fridays in consultation with the youngsters.

4. Tachartasan Eile/ Other events

4.1. School Fete, May 19th 6.30pm: Ideas for activities discussed. A planning meeting is set for Wed 27th Apr 7pm. **Action: Children to draft letter asking for support and raffle prizes.**

4.2. School trips: 20th June booked for Blair Drummond. 21/22 June P7 residential trip to Whitewave Activities, Isle of Skye.

5. Cunntasachd 's Ionmhas/ Finance

5.1. Morrisons bag-pack: £918.03 raised. Thanks to Morrisons & all who came along to support. **Action: Ali to write letter of thanks for the Lochaber News.**

5.2. Bank balance: £2800

6. G.S.B.E/ AOB

- 6.1. Balanced representation on Parent Council. Ali has asked for guidance from Fergus Weir who is the Highland representative for the National Parent Forum.
- 6.2. Class teaching allocation: Letter sent to N. Young in March regarding HT teaching hours for 2016/17 and pointing out the extra responsibilities associated with Gaelic Schools. Reply saying she's presently unable to comment but will take cognisance of the views expressed. Pupil numbers are estimated at 74 with 25 in Sgoil Àraich.
- 6.3. Parent Council Forum: There is now a Gmail log-in for the PC to access useful information and share experiences with our Parent Councils: **Action: Ali to circulate link.**
- 6.4. PC Minutes to be copied up to school website once formatting issues are sorted.
- 6.5. Uniforms: A request for girls to be able to wear gingham dresses which are lighter for the Summer. All agreed this was a good idea if they stick to one color.
- 6.6. Netball Skirts: Moira requested new netball skirts for the team and estimated a cost of £100.

7. An àth choinneamh/ Next meeting: **Mon 30th May 7.30pm**