Minutes for RSV Meeting –
Thursday 16th September 2022 at 7pm (The Bridge Inn)

Present:

Emily McMorris (EM) – Co-Chair
Leanne Chalmers (LC)– Co-Chair
Peter Gibb (Headteacher)

Rebecca Mackenzie (RM) - P2
Mark Egelstaff (ME) - P1
Emily Turnbull (ET) - Nursery/P3
Dominique Sinclair (DS) - P1
Rachel Woods (RW) - P1/2

Apologies:

Sam Mitchell
Claire Muir
Claire Miller
Lynsey Johnston
Lynne Smith

Minutes:

1. **Welcome & Introductions**

2. **Headteacher Update**

- Good start to year, staffing stable
- Currently 9 learning support staff (still recruiting 1 more)
- Both Mrs Smith and Mr Gibb providing Non-Class contact cover for teachers

Child Planning Cycle
Up & running, good establish with relations with external partners, this year we will be doing individual profiles for each child, and more personalised communication.

Parental Consultations – now known as Family Consultations
These will occur in November and the second consultations have moved from May to March

School Website

- Parent calendar is available on school website, alongside noticeboard and the school handbook

- Due to UK holiday on 19th September, the exceptional closure holiday has been deferred, this will be confirmed at a later date.

Parental Engagement days

P1 good start and good feedback, - first time for 2 years parents allowed back in grounds

Harvest Festival

Due to HM The Queens passing this was called back to remain respectful, however still a success (particularly Mrs Brown's Chickens)

P7 parent camp meeting
Able to get info about what camp is about.

Assemblies

- Stage assemblies
- Christmas Sing-a-long
- Next years P1 events

P7 Camp Coach
- £1350 this is an increase of nearly 60/70% from last year
- £300 full price

Panto Update

- Thursday 8th December at Lyceum Theatre – whole school to attend
- Will be seeing Edinburgh Christmas Carol
- Potential need for Parent Helpers
- Final costs to be confirmed

Dean Park Primary
Show racism the red card – virtual event for parents to attend on 28th September

Photographs

- Tempest Photography Class Photos (vista style)
- 21st September
- Spring/Summer for individual photos

- Edinburgh News
- Wednesday 28th September (1st time since covid)

Model for Class Excursions

- P1,2,3 – Class Trip

- P4,5,6 – Local activity

- P7 – Camp and Risk Factory Trip

Nursery
Re-introduce Fridays and consequently reduce day hours Monday – Thursday

3. **Parent/Carer Questions**

Q. Composite Homework - those in composite class not getting same type of homework as those in a straight class

A: Noted that on the Parent calendar are the home learning weeks (no homework on short weeks, e.g. bank holiday weeks).
Mr Gibb to check on composite class as homework is set on ability etc there is some differentiation however overall treatment same for Composite versus straight class.

Q. School Gates – Gate down to P1/2/3 is due to open at 8:45 but is currently opening at 8:50 this time is resulting in children climbing the gate and pushing and shoving at gate – causing a risk of injury. Can gate be opened earlier to remove this risk?

A. Teachers don't start till 8:50. Currently Mr Morrison opens the main gate and Donna takes the breakfast club children to playground and opens gate – however this doesn't occur until 8:50. Mrs Robinson opens Hallcroft gate at 8:45/8:50. Look at having Donna open at 8:45.

Q. Parent Pay – Can breakfast club be added back to Parent Pay for booking
A. Currently can just turn up and the charge appears on Parent Pay after – will review this to see if booking can be added

4. **Christmas Fair Update**

Christmas Fair – 3rd December

In person this year

Will have a Market, Games and Activities

Market Stalls

12 stalls including baking, crafts, jewellery

Activities

- Jewellery making stall
- Reindeer dust
- Christmas Tatoo's
- Nail Painting
- Face painting
- RSV pocket money stall

- Discussion on Food truck options
- Mulled wine
- Café – Volunteers needed and home baking
- Christmas cake competition – bake off

Games

- Pin the tail on the reindeer
- Treasure Hunt
- Santa Flip
- Where is Santa
- Snowball Toss
- Guess the Teacher
- Barrel of Booze
- Luxury Tombola
- Splat the Grinch
- Adopt a Cuddly toy

- Santa's Grotto
- Secrets Room
- Gala Stall

Request for helpers to manage stalls, will be on rotation. EM will post and request for support.

5. **AOB**

Currie Chieftains

If anyone would like to try classes there are spaces for different ages boys and girls – All Welcome