Roslin Primary School Parent Council Meeting  
Wednesday 2nd May 2018 – 6.30pm, Meeting Room in Roslin Primary School

Present – Stuart Clark SC, Claire Witney CW, Holly Gibb HG, Mairi Needham MN, John Phillips JP, Alex Clark AC, Andrea Berry AB, Jo Wilson JW, Colin Burt CB, Madhu Satsangi MS, Rhona Farren RF, Sue Fitchett SF, Jon Steele JS, Pawlina Dand PD, Helen Holmes HH, Emma Clark EC, Amy Collop AC.

Apologies – Claire Houston

1. Chair welcome

2. Minutes from 21st March accepted

3a. JW – Discussed Parent Pay, 50% sign up of parents, will keep promoting. No plans to refuse cash payments. Parents have option to receive text message balance alerts for 6p fee. School will continue to iron out glitches.

3b. CB – Tuck Shop update – pilot very successful, now plan to roll out to all P1-P7. During initial 5 weeks a total of £102.98 has been made in profit from items costing 15-50p each. Food available includes croissant, bagel, baguettes, fruit bags, fruit pots. Plans to get a toaster and will make a rota for P7 to share duties. Will roll out opportunity to work in tuck shop to P6 during camp week. Since PC Nicola (school catering manager) has informed JW that costs need to be taken off the sales totals. Also, Nicola needs to consult with the catering department over how any monies are distributed.

3c. JW – Travel plan agreed, will be posted on website with noted bus number change.

3d. AB – reported on Learning Council project STEM on behalf of Kat Mathers. After feedback, plan to do homework challenge has been discarded and an in school project across the houses is being planned, using recycled materials that can be brought from home.

4. JW – Staffing update. There will be 2 full P1 classes for session 2018/19 (of 22 and 21 children). P2-P7 will all be straight classes, no composites. P1 will have 18 out of catchment children but some space has been kept for new people moving to the area. After P1, there is likely to be composite classes. JW will inform parents how this system works to allay any concerns parents may have. Still working out staff for next session. The authority has said there will most probably be an NQT.

5. JW – P1 talk on Thursday 7th June 9.30am. Meet the teacher and inductions during this week while P7’s are transitioning to high school. HG to do Parent Council talk. JW to deliver info on uniform and bookshop.

6. JW – Sports Day 1st June is date of choice with 15th June being alternate if weather is bad, taking place in village field, JP will use pavilion for sound system. Scott Cairney is to bring S3 pupils to help running of the day. Parent Council organising tea/coffee/baking table for donations – Please email roslinprimary.parentcouncil@gmail.com if you can help (help will be required for this to run). JW – Social event, Official school opening to take place on October 8th John Swinney to open school. PC to be invited. On 22nd June there will be an end of term thank you/celebration event marking the first year in the school. School clubs and groups will be represented, choir to perform etc. It was suggested this could be an ideal opportunity to discuss forming a social committee with all school parents.
CW – Disco – There was a response regarding a possible DJ for a disco but unfortunately no response to email asking for help to organise summer disco so no disco to go ahead. HG suggested that it should take place for hallowe’en as she is aware of many children disappointed that it didn’t happen last year. HG informed PC that suggestions pupils could go to the Glencorse event last Hallowe’en was not appropriate as this was an adult party with alcohol. We really need a group of parents to work together to co-ordinate a disco. School happy for it to take place in the dining hall. At celebration event fliers will be circulated to try and promote this.

7. CW – AGM planning: 13th June 6.30pm in dining area of school. Will have strawberries and bubbly and invite all parents to come as first AGM in new school! CB suggested a notice board at entrance with contact names. PC discussed that it would be helpful for parent council members to be more visible/accessible. Once new AGM formed it was proposed we have a parent representative for each year group, and also a social/fundraising committee. PD suggested promoting events/asking for help on Roslin Families FB group as better way to contact people.

8. ECO committee: Their next meeting is 16th May 2.10pm. JW invited PC members interested to coming along to school on that date. SF commented on recent community litter pick and encouraged everyone to contact council to ask for litter picking in Glen road area as it is too dangerous for community to tackle alone.

9. Communications – none received

10. CB – Roslin team won the area round in Rotary quiz and will progress to next round in Carluke. Many congratulations!

Next meeting Wednesday 13th June AGM in Roslin Primary School at 6.30pm.