



**Cuiken Partnership Meeting  
with Cuiken Primary School  
17<sup>th</sup> November 11am – 12.15pm**

Present:

Claire Bond (Head Teacher)

Toni Coutts (Parent, Chair)

Karen Bennett (Parent, Vice Chair)

The following points were discussed:

- **Staffing** – this is the most pressing issue facing the school at the moment with a number of members of staff being off. The school is working with Midlothian Council to see if anything can be done to support the school further with this to ensure safety and attainment levels are maintained, although there are no supply teachers available at the moment.
- **Christmas performance** – P1's will be delivering a Christmas Story performance on Google Classroom for parents to enjoy.
- **Christmas parties** – all classes will have a Christmas party – more details on this to parents will follow. The school may be requesting some support with funding from Cuiken Partnership. Toni suggested a PJ day to help raise funds for this.
- **Christmas panto** – the Brunton Theatre are running a pantomime which the school would like to join, if they could get funding from Cuiken Partnership. Toni will contact Cuiken Partnership to approve this.
- **Other Christmas plans** – Please see the app for our calendar of events.
- **Scottish Government tiers** – Claire explained that any potential change in tiers for Midlothian do not mean any change to the school procedures relating to covid e.g. Nursery silver/gold groups, classroom bubbles etc. will all remain in place for the foreseeable future. Claire to check with Debbie if there can be any leeway for nursery pick up times.
- **Anti-bullying week** – the school currently have an anti-bullying policy, however they would like to improve this even more. They have issued a survey to parents and carers to get their views on how the school can better support this.
- **Reporting childrens' progress & profiling** – the school is developing how they report the childrens' progress to parents and carers. Term 1 we have already had phone calls home; term 2 they aim to start a profile of each child done in conjunction with the child themselves that demonstrate a real understanding of every child and next steps; term 3 will be a development of this profile and a personalised report for parents and carers for their child for the year that's been.
- **Learning grids** – these have been added to Google Classroom. This was the result of parent feedback around desire for additional home learning in the absence of homework. When this work is submitted on Google Classroom, there will then be a 'feedback week' when teachers will send feedback back to learners.
- **P1 enrolment** – this is all in hand.
- **Cuiken Partnership AGM and office bearers** – provisional date of Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm agreed, if Jane can attend to provide the Treasurer's report.