**CRUDIE PARENT COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 27TH 2017 MINUTES**

Welcome & apologies

Robert welcomed everyone for attending the meeting - Robert Bartlett, Mrs Rickard, Mary-leigh Malarky, Karen Riddell, Emma Searle, Jane Hinton, Elaine Morrison, Bill Moultrie, Pamela Bartlett, Jayne Watson, Louise McPherson, Allyson Ironside.

Apologies were from Donna Adams

Mrs Rickard introduced Bill Moutrie to the group. He will attend meetings when he can as a community member and representative from the Community Council.

Treasurers report

Mary – Leigh reported that there was £1796 in the bank at present. She later messaged after putting more money into the account to say the account balance was £2001.16.

Head teacher report

* New display boards have been sited around the school. There are ones evidencing the development of the 4 capacities, a comments board and an achievements board.
* Questionnaires will be sent home gathering feedback from parents.
* Parents felt the new reporting format was user friendly and they liked the pupil comments. They felt that they were more focussed on the individual child.
* The Scottish Government have allocated funding to schools based on certain criteria. This money is to be used to close the attainment gap. Crudie School has been allocated an amount. Part of the money will be put towards staff training on the Happy To Be Me programme. This focusses on building emotional resilience, confidence and self-esteem in children. A proportion will be set aside to go towards the iPads as these will be key in raising attainment. Some money will also be used in order to purchase apps for individuals.
* Improvement Planning for next year is being looked at. Raising attainment and Health and Wellbeing will stay on the plan. There is continuing work to be done around restorative practice and developing a positive relationships policy. Also need to continue the work on numeracy and digital literacy so this is fully embedded.

Fundraising Agenda for term 4

~ family photo sessions -date tbc prices starting at £25

~ after school games night led by Robert – dates -**25th May, 1st June, 15th June, 22nd June**.

~ P7 leavers prom/ disco - **9th June** Mrs Rickard will ask the P7s if they will design invitations.

~ Rag Bag - **26th June** door drop to be done again – if anyone would like bags and poster for the workplace please let us know.

Community ideas to feedback

Jamie Menzies who lives locally within the community is hoping to gain funding to enable him to put walkways on his land for the community to use- he has also said there is a possibility that there would be an area he would allow the school to use/develop for parking and allotment areas. The Community Council will put together a letter supporting him in his plans. The Parent Council will do likewise. This will benefit the school greatly.

Parent Council Logo

Parent Council are looking for a new logo!

Sheets will go home with children and must be back by the **26th of May** to be put forward to our Panels and 1 final special judge. Mr Moultrie kindly offered to digitise the logo.

AOCB

Loch Insch was brought up by Jane Hinton on behalf of Donna Adams.

This will be the last Year of Loch Insch due to a number of factors – pupil numbers, staffing numbers, staffing responsibilities and staff availability. It is a huge responsibility and takes a lot of organising and with no one else taking on the role the cluster has made the decision for each individual school to do something of their own.

 Crudie, Fintry, and King Edward have spoken about continuing to do something together every second year and include P6. It was felt that the trip is a good opportunity to mix with other pupils before the academy and was there the possibility of linking up with a larger school – for example, Monquhitter? Mrs Rickard will speak with the other cluster schools to see if this is feasible.

 Mrs Rickard pointed out there are numbers of ways in which transition to Academy happens – discos, sports clubs, 4 day visit and we would still do something to replace Loch Insch, but it has still to be discussed.

Set AGM DATE & close

AGM will be **September the 7th @9.15am**

Robert Brought the meeting to a close and thanked everyone for coming