

PC meeting notes 15/01/2025

Head teachers report – Sharon McGhee

School Improvement Update

A number of new families joined the school. The school will be developing their transition policy.

Staff from Sciennes and St Leonard's participated in training with SCOTDEC on developing an anti-racist curriculum.

The school have undertaken Education Scotland's Learner Participation Audit. The next step will be to involve the pupil council and look for opportunities for families to be involved.

Sciences safer streets – we need more volunteers to be on the road at the start and the end of each day. If you can volunteer email admin@sciennes.edin.sch.uk

Home learning review closes next Friday (24th of January).

Staff update:

Rhona Kennedy retired in December (Ms Macintosh has secured a permanent support for learning post, we are recruiting to backfill Ms Macintosh)

Ms Walker (P3) will be going on maternity leave

Mr Patterson who joined last August is retiring in February

John Armstrong will be back before the February break

Library project update:

The library will be cleared by the February break, and it will need to be painted and an updated cost for the project will follow to be shared with the PC and parents, approx. £60,000.

Update fundraising team - Claire Carr

The winter fair raised over £10,000

Next event planned is the quiz night Friday the 21st of February at the Chalmers church (St Leonard) tickets are up for sale on the website. Looking for teams of 8 people.

Class Reps to encourage class teams to compete in the quiz - please send a message via WhatsApp.

Summer fair will be Saturday the 31st of May. Parent led crafts for sale are encouraged (akin with the winter fair). Would a parents led craft group option be an option? Is there is anyone in the lower years who would be willing to take this on?

Another optional activity will be the P6-7 disco (26th of Feb TBC). Would anyone in these years be happy to lead on this?

Comms and clubs update – Grant Catto

Working out issues of people not filling in the registration forms when paying for a club. There is now a disclaimer that forms need to be completed or they will not be able to attend the club.

7 clubs run by the PC and 3-4 clubs sold out.

Fruit group

Restarting this Friday and there will be a call for donation.

ASN – waiting for survey results.

Finance - Sean McGivern

Finance in place to cover library project costs.

The PC spending will be shared on PC website to highlight what the money raised is used for.

Please send any invoices to the official treasurers gmail account.

Digital device and mobile phone discussion - Rebecca and Christine P6 year rep

Meetings are scheduled to share experience and concerns and working together to shape the school policy. The idea is to look at school, home environment and peer influence.

The meetings will be held on Thursday 30th January 7pm on teams (link will be sent separately) and Friday 31st January in school at 9am.

If you can attend, please register here [Digital Devices Discussion](#)