

**Tipperty Parent Group**  
**Minutes**  
**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

1. Welcome and apologies

Present: Mrs Elrick-Stewart, Mrs McKerrow, Mrs Irvine, Mrs Dew, Miss Buchan, Mrs Gillies and Mrs Hewitt.

Apologies: Councillor Kloppart, Cllr. Davidson, Cllr. Owen, Miss Watt, Mrs Yeoman.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

Approved.

3. Chairperson's Report

Defibrillator

Mrs Elrick-Stewart has pursued a quote for the replacement of adult and paediatric pads for the community defibrillator. Total cost of adult pads and replacement battery is £125 plus VAT, paediatric pads £95 plus VAT. Community engagement event has been discussed; lockdown has prohibited this from taking place. Miss Buchan suggested that some funds from the Hundred Club could be used to cover part of the cost in partnership with the Parent Group.

**Miss Buchan to let the Parent Group know how much the School Fund can contribute to this.**

In future, community support and engagement will be sought in maintaining this facility which is there for all.

Fundraising

Maureen Smith event – ticket sales continue. Sales are slow but we will continue to promote the event; more widely from now on. 38 tickets have been sold to date – 60 must be sold in order for the event to proceed.

**Mrs Dew, Mrs Elrick-Smith and Mrs McKerrow will display posters on public noticeboards and local social media sites.**

Raffle – The meeting discussed raffle contributions. Mrs Elrick-Smith has asked Tesco for a donation.

**Mrs McKerrow will create a letter on behalf of the Parent Group, asking local businesses for donations. Email wider parent community asking for suggestions as to who we could approach with this.**

### Jubilee Tree

Mrs Dew asked the Parent Group if they would be willing to purchase a tree for the Queen's Green Canopy in honour of her Platinum Jubilee. The tree is to be planted at a special ceremony to which members of the local community will be invited. The cost will be approximately £50. Parent Group members agreed to provide funds for this.

### 4. Headteacher's Report

It has been great to welcome the children back to school for Term 3.

At the end of term 2 we said farewell to Mrs McCallum in the School Office. This term we are delighted to welcome Miss Birnie, who will be working in the School Office on a Tuesday, and Mrs Stephen who will working in the office from Wednesday to Friday each week. I am sure that everyone will make Miss Birnie and Mrs Stephen feel welcome.

### Queen's Platinum Jubilee

As part of the Queen's Green Canopy initiative there will be a Queen's Platinum Jubilee Tree Planting Ceremony at Tipperty School on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> January at 11am. We are delighted that we will be joined by the Vice-Lord Lieutenant of Aberdeenshire on the occasion of the tree planting. We would like to invite all parents and interested community members to this event.

### Jack and the Beanstalk Outdoor Performance

Our outdoor performances of Jack and the Beanstalk are planned to take place on 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> February. We look forward to being joined by families on these dates to share the children's musical performance.

### Scottish Celebration

We are looking forward to holding a Scottish Celebration in school on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> and Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February. The children will have the opportunity to showcase their musical talents and Scottish Country dancing skills. The children will be able to share their Scottish poems with each other on this date.

### Learning Across the Curriculum

This term the children in both classes will be working on Drama with Mrs McLeish. The children in the P5-7 class will also be working on a block of Outdoor Learning with Mrs Irvine. The P5-7 class will be learning more about John Muir, a famous Scottish conservationist. The P5-7 class will also be looking at developing the outdoor environment at the school, in order to promote sustainability and conservation.

### 100 Club

Over the next few weeks we will be restarting our 100 club fundraiser for 2022. Thank you to all those who continue to support the work of the school by contributing to the 100 Club. Further details will follow.

5. Treasurer's report

The balance remains £510.86.

6. Parent Council Funding

Advised by Councillor Davidson that any previous funds missed cannot be claimed retrospectively. She has suggested that it may be possible to recoup some of this money should the group be suffering financial hardship.

Details have been passed to Aberdeenshire Council and necessary paperwork completed for this year's (and future year's) funding.

7. AOCB

8. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 6.30pm