



Hermitage Academy Parent Council

21/02/2023

Zoom 7pm

Attending

HAPC:		Year Rep	
William Currie	WC	S1	A
Stella Kinloch	SK	S2	X
Laura Watt	LW	S2	X
Miles Stratton	MS	S3	X
Philip Hartley	PH	S4	X
Andrew Tennant	AT	S5	X
Nanette Clark	NC	S6	A
Elizabeth Lambert	EL	S6	X
Lucy Sage	LS	S&D rep	X
Douglas Morgan	DM		X

Agenda Item	Actions
Welcome & Apologies The meeting was opened by Andrew Tennant.	
Finance	A new account has been opened with Bank of Scotland. When this is set up then the HAPC money will be transferred from the TSB account. until that happens there is no change as the Treasurer can't access the TSB account.
Head Teachers report	As attached.
Staffing.	Mr Marsden has started as head of Maths. Mr McConville will start in ICT on 6 th March. The staffing allocation for 23/24 has been agreed. 2 DHT posts will be advertised.
Communication	
Pupil Support/ ASN	The sensory room is nearly complete. Klicker software is being looked at to help with reading and writing. Shared access to Parklands resources is being discussed.
AOB Supported Study – Following on from the working group meeting what is being done to support study especially in Maths?	3-6 April Spring Study sessions for SQA exams in person. Booking soon. Maths -Additional funding to increase staffing, providing smaller class sizes. Targeted support moving forward to SQA. Supported study sessions after school at all levels will be available soon. Trying to ensure the highest levels of 4 and 5 Numeracy.
AOB Parents Evenings	S2 and S5 booklets are on website S4 have had their parents evening S1 is on Thursday 2 nd March
AOB - Positive Behaviour- After the Merit scheme was withdrawn what is the school policy on behaviour? How is	Assemblies have been held for year groups to encourage positive behaviour.

<p>the policy being communicated to the School Community.</p>	<p>Hermitage Academy is looking at ways it can celebrate positive behaviour. HAPC questioned whether it would be more effective for the school to communicate with Parents before holding assemblies to enable parents to reinforce the same message at home. Also for parents to have an input to and understanding of the school policy on behaviour.</p>
<p>AOB - Leavers</p>	<p>6th June Prom for S6 PTA to assist in running end of year event for S4/5 date TBA. A group of pupils will assist in shaping this event to represent pupil views.</p>
<p>AOB - IT software licences- Tech and Art students have reported issues with completing projects on school computers due to software licences not being updated</p>	<p>Mr Morgan to check with Mr Morrison – Tech Mr Munro - Art</p>
<p>AOB – Library – Understanding that Covid has slowed progress but what is being done to transition the space that used to be the school Library into a study area?</p>	<p>Miss Paterson is working with a pupil focus group to develop their ideas for the space. Mr Munro is liaising with Mitie and a local architect to provide study pods. Stella K – At the recent Careers event pupils were full of great ideas for the way they would like to utilise the space. Pupils were not aware of having been consulted by the school. Can the school provide a more transparent method by which all pupils can submit views, ideas and concerns? At the moment there does not seem to be a process which enables the pupil voice to be heard.</p>
<p>Next Meeting – 24/04/2023 7pm</p>	