

**FRIENDS OF DURRIS and CROSSROADS NURSERY**

**Minutes of Meeting held via Microsoft Teams on 10/11/2022**

Present: Catriona Woodburn, Dawn Rippiner, Bridget Rhodes, Yi-pei Chou, Lynne Giles, Elaine Ingram, Elaine Ingram, Katrina Gray, Sarah Stewart.

Apologies: Corine Purkis, Lynne Street

	Actions
<p>Agreed previous minutes from AGM.</p>	
<p><b><u>Actions on minutes of last PC:</u></b></p>	
<p>Defibrillators for outside school and nursery – LG spoke with council. LG will follow up</p>	LG
<p>Kirkwood Fyfe – Sarah to meet with planning officer. Funds still available. Suggestions of a play park, resurfacing playground or purchase of land in front of school.</p>	SS
<p>Green Space – still no action. YC discussing matter with Councillor Dickenson.</p>	YC
<p><b><u>HT report:</u></b></p>	
<p>Mrs Tuck back on a phased return, all being well she will be full time in a few weeks.</p>	
<p>Email newsletter sent to all new residents about the land for a school garden</p>	
<p>Still waiting to hear from Forestry Commission regarding removal for half a dozen trees to make area safe for Forest School.</p>	
<p>In-Service days 17th and 18th November. Staff will be working on Health and Well Being planners. Mini Me Yoga Training. All staff involved in an Aberdeenshire wide offer, engaging with Mark Burns – speaking on raising educational standards.</p>	
<p>Talk for Writing parental engagement session was well attended. Power point was made available for those who couldn't attend. Maths will be our next session. Dates for new Stay and Learn sessions, similar to the very successful Stay and Play sessions at nursery.</p>	
<p>Wednesday 30th November – Silver RRSa accreditation. Any parents able to come in and speak with assessor (won't take long). Looking at how we share our work on rights with parents.</p>	
<p>Tuesday 20th December – parents will be invited in for Christmas craft, mince pies, and a Christmas sing along.</p>	
<p>Wednesday 21st December – school trip to cinema</p>	
<p>Thursday 22nd December – Christmas party, at school</p>	

**Durris Dolphins Subgroup Report**

33 children attending (P2-P7)

It is hoped P1 children will be able to start in January.

Banchory Sports Village trainer pool has been closed, and will be for some time yet. All lessons are now in main pool.

Welcome to our new teacher Abby who will join the team soon. We are looking to train more parents to cover illness etc.

Bridget will be stepping down as swimming administrator in summer; we need a parent to step up for this role.

**Durris Dashers Subgroup Report**

After 2 and a half year of no running club we are almost ready to resume.

Forest closest to the school is now safe to use.

We need volunteers for this to start; an email will be sent out asking for support.

DR

**Durris Football Subgroup Report**

Accounts. £578.12

Fees are now due. £10 per family per year.

In talks with Drumoak School regarding festivals

SS

Sangster & Co have kindly provided rain jackets for all the children, arriving in the next few weeks.

**PTA Subgroup Report**

Accounts update £2929.04

£383.30 for nursery outdoor outfits

£481 for school trip to cinema

PTA committee agreed to fund class Christmas gift -£25 x3 (nursery, P1-3 and P4-7)

Nursery would like £170 (£10 per child) for Christmas treat day/party

Committee will meet this month to plan series of events for next year.

We really need someone within the group/or new members to organise and co-ordinate group.

Parent volunteers needed.

**AOB**

A community fundraiser to bring families together/welcome new families  
?bingo/beetle drive – PTA to discuss at next meeting.

After School Club – Still looking for someone, or a group to manage the  
program.

Parent helpers needed across all subgroups and within school. LG to send out  
an email

PTA

CP

LG