

Gearr-chunntas / Minutes
Comhairle nam Pàrant / Parent Council
Àrd-sgoil Phort-rìgh / Portree High School

Leisgeulan / Apologies	Rachel Beaton, C. Donnelly, Angela Smith (Treasurer), Lisa Corse (Secretary), Mary Macaskill	
An Iathair / Present	Cath MacDonald (HT), Ingrid Galbraith, Dr. Kirsty Shaw (Chair & Minutes), Isobel Macleod, Jo Scott-Moncrieff, Rachel MacDonald, Mel Mackinnon (Vice Chair), Sandy Dey (Struan Primary PC), Maggie Campbell (Kilmuir Primary PC)	
Minutes approved	The minutes of the meeting on 8 May 2017 were approved	
Welcome	<p>Dr Shaw welcomed Maggie Campbell and Sandy Dey who had attended in their capacities as Chair of their parent councils. It is hoped that we can work more closely as an Associated Schools Group (ASG) to ensure good flow of information from national parent council groups through to all the smaller schools. A recent communication from the Highland Parent Council Partnership (HPCP) demonstrated that the following parent councils in our ASG had not claimed their grant monies from Highland Council (HC) in the last academic year:</p> <p>Broadford Primary School Elgol Primary School Kilmuir Primary School Knockbreck Primary School Kyleakin Primary School Macdiarmid Primary School Raasay Primary School Staffin Primary School</p>	<p>Kirsty to continue contacting PC chairs in the ASG.</p> <p>When HC circulate the grant forms etc in August, these will get sent out to the ASG, in particular those who have not previously claimed.</p> <p>A further meeting of the ASG chairs will be scheduled for the autumn term.</p>
4.5 day / Compressed week	<p>We are now in the second week of the new timetable. There were some problems with the buses in the first week but it has largely been incident free.</p> <p>Primary schools on the island have not yet made the switch although we understand Portree will after the summer. Elgol also intends to follow the compressed week pattern from August. It was commented that the Elgol parents with children in the hostel were very happy to have them home earlier in the weekend.</p> <p>A number of the after school clubs are going to alter their activities to happen on Friday afternoons.</p> <p>Due to CalMac requiring an 18 month notice period before changing timetables, special arrangements</p>	

	will have to be made for Raasay Pupils over the next academic year.	
Christmas Fair	<p>It was agreed that the Christmas Fair will be held on Saturday 2nd December 2017</p> <p>Mel Mackinnon will take on the co-ordination of bookings etc.</p>	<p>Mel to update Facebook page.</p> <p>Mel to produce flyer which can be circulated by email to PC members for printing and handing out to anyone we think might want a table.</p> <p>Jo Scott-Moncrieff to look for list of stall holders generated at last year's event and pass to Mel.</p> <p>All ASG schools to be offered the opportunity to have a stall at a reduced price of £5 per table.</p>
Careers Event	<p>It was agreed that the careers event will take place on Tuesday 7th November 2017</p> <p>Ingrid Galbraith will take on the co-ordination of this once again.</p>	
Head Teacher's report	<p>Bronze DoE completed both expeditions and the Silver practice expedition went without incident.</p> <p>Outward Bound Locheil has been booked for next May again and is to be offered to the new S2 year group.</p> <p>Ocean Youth Trust - JSM + 10 pupils from new S3 in September.</p> <p>Columba 1400 still not fully engaged re leadership training week for new S4.</p> <p>Staffing - Mrs Waddell, Mr. Roberts (who has been teaching at PHS since 1977) and Ms. Quilligotti in SfL are all retiring. We are to get probationary teachers in Science and French.</p> <p>Roll is dropping to 500</p> <p>Trip to Holland in June and a ski trip in December and a London trip in 2018</p>	

	<p>S1 Raasay trip not happening because Raasay House want full week trips</p> <p>In the last weeks of term there are outings to the Aros to see Peter Pan from the National Theatre and also the winner of Professional Master Chef doing a cookery demonstration.</p> <p>7 pupils attended the disability sports coming home with a gold and a silver medal.</p> <p>Plans are progressing to provide parent education sessions in the use of the google classroom and chrome books in advance of their planned roll out in November.</p> <p>The RNLI were the beneficiaries of the £3000 given out as part of the Youth Philanthropy Initiative. The winning team have been invited to the national showcase in Perth to give their presentation there.</p>	
Funds	We have £3,344.67 in the bank account	Miss Macdonald to check the current balance in the Aim Skye High Fund and advise on how much is required to provide these prizes through the 2017/18 session.
Dates of future meetings	<p>It was noted that Highland Council have altered the inservice days in September and they will now fall on Monday 18th / Tuesday 19th September; our AGM was scheduled for 18th September. It was agreed that the AGM will now be on Monday 25th September.</p> <p>It was agreed that the visit to Broadford was worthwhile and in the coming year we should make the effort to visit North Skye (Trotternish) and the West as well as Broadford again.</p>	KS to liaise with J S-M over meeting dates for 2017/18
Funding applications	Ingrid Galbraith asked us to verify the amendments made to the application form for circulating to teachers and to provide her with the dates for decision meetings so that the application deadlines can be made clear.	KS / J S-M and IG to liaise once calendar agreed.
Next meeting	28 August 2017	