



## WALLACE HIGH SCHOOL PTN MEETING

22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018 at 7PM

Wallace Room, Wallace High School, Stirling

Attendees:	Apologies:
Scott Pennock	Eve Kidd (Treasurer)
Ruth Sterk	Jackie Gee-Faulkener
Wendy Mackinnon	
Tor McKay (Secretary)	
Janice Morgan-Singh (Communications)	
Janet Lafferty	
Karen Morrison	
Alison Gow (Ochil House Rep)	
Claire Glencross	
Donna Harris	

Agenda Items:	Action:	Who:
<b>1. Welcome and Introductions:</b> Chair opened the meeting at 7pm thanks and introductions made.	Chair	WM
<b>2. Apologies:</b> Apologies given and accepted (as above).	Chair	WM
<b>3. Career Journeys event – discussion with Volunteers (if present)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Focus is on ‘Career Journey’: route to getting into that field of work, current issues in that arena, what’s great about working here? what are the current challenges? What does a typical day/week involve?</li> <li>• Focus is for pupils and their parents/carers to come along</li> <li>• Determine structure of ‘video’ then get request out to Volunteers to: record a short self-video (using phone or other personally available method, then email to PTN mailbox). Pupils and Teachers will be able to assist pulling AV montage together.</li> <li>• Formal session will be in September ‘18 (date to be confirmed end May/early June) and will follow School led S4 Information session. Session will kick-off with short ‘welcome &amp; introduction’, followed by ‘video ‘wall’, then break out into Atrium area where volunteers will be set up at tables, signposted as to area of work (e.g. nursing, building trade, other) and ‘informal’ element will commence</li> <li>• Engage Ex pupils (FES / other) to come along and support the event</li> <li>• Aim is to have as broad a spectrum represented: trades / online businesses / service industry / manufacturing / construction / financial / etc. Encourage anyone interested in supporting the event to get in touch via PTN Mailbox: <a href="#">PTN Mailbox</a></li> </ul>	Secretary	TM
<b>4. Treasurers Report:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £2000 continues to sit in account, Treasurer keen at least half is given to school to use. Prompted discussion that money could be split between Young Carers and Play Unified, School keen that PTN £ is used for PTN driven purpose. Chair positioned that PTN exists to support school, so keen to ensure where the school could gain best value, that this is what £ is used for. Possible idea to use funds to refresh room in school which has multi-function use one of which is for work with young pupils in need of additional support. SP going to consult with School Team and have a</li> </ul>	Treasurer	WM

<p>discussion to then provide some options for PTN to agree (choose).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support Cinema experience (2<sup>nd</sup> week in May). Provide ice-creams / popcorn / etc to make that special.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>5. Communications Co-ordinator Report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capturing data from survey and collating.</li> <li>• Continue to be active on Social Media with posts, tweets and retweets</li> <li>• Facebook seems to have widest reach</li> <li>• JMS has spoken to parents and discussed variety of Twitter accounts related to WHS</li> <li>• Twitter used by School to: celebrate success, communicate information</li> </ul>	Comms Co-ordinator	JMS
<p><b>6. Ochil House Report:</b></p> <p>4 Primary 7 groups are continuing a positive transition time. Their theme is ‘Journeys’. They are having the opportunity to make a personalised album of people they meet, such as the Management Team, Kitchen Staff, the Janitorial Team, and other members of staff. The PTN look forward to welcoming the new Young People (YP) and their family and friends at upcoming events.</p> <p>The mainstream S5s have begun a very popular and successful Football Fun Friday during lunchtime. I’d like to express my thanks and appreciation to those pupils who are giving their valuable time. Once again, sounds like a win-win opportunity for enhancing fantastic relationships, keeping fit, and having fun together. Along with Play Unified, we hope to continue extending fun integration opportunities across other curricular areas, which meet the interests of all YP such as Art, Music, Computing...</p> <p>On 27<sup>th</sup> February there was an exclusive and exciting film premier at the Engine Shed, where Stirling Cluster 7s shared their animation on Bullying, which some people with ASN suffer, to dignitaries and representatives from the Council. This went so well, following the Screening, an Oscar ceremony was held with everyone receiving a mini Oscar in categories, such as voiceover, animation, production, and presenting – what a great success on such an emotive subject! Their film will also be presented at Scottish National level soon in Edinburgh. What valuable work being carried out by this team.</p> <p>OH have a special new visitor – Daisy the ‘therapet’ whippet. At the moment she is coming in to visit the classes as and when she can... in high demand! This is going very well with the children loving Daisy’s visits. Apparently Daisy is enjoying her visits so much so that she is bringing her therapet friends to OH activity day next term, and hopefully on a regular basis again.</p> <p>Going on from this, 2 S5 pupils have begun work experience at Glendoick Roost, near Aberfoyle, an animal sanctuary for farm animals and other abandoned smaller animals. When the YP arrive on a Friday, they are given a wide variety of tasks to do, developing their animal husbandry skills and personal interest, while offering therapy while working with the animals. Well done to those YP... I’ve watched the Yorkshire Vet!</p> <p>Last Wednesday (14<sup>th</sup> March), a group of Stirling University secondary teaching students were observing and shadowing staff around the facilities including OH. Mrs Donaldson tells the students to bear in mind and think about how using their skills within ASN, whether their career path takes them towards working with YP in ASN facilities, can show them very clearly how to embrace various ways of learning and teaching across such a wide spectrum of individual needs. When in a classroom with any group of YP, a diverse range of learning abilities, skills and techniques have to be used... how many times can you reinvent the wheel?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 17<sup>th</sup> April, Zoe Thompson from Active Stirling is coming in to do some dance lessons</li> <li>• 4<sup>th</sup> May, the Dental Health team will come in for their termly visit</li> <li>• 10<sup>th</sup> May, Joanne Barrie is the speaker at the Coffee Morning. Joanne works with the Sexual Health and Relationships team</li> </ul>	Ochil House Rep	AG

<p><b>7. Head Teacher's Report/Update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Airth Castle is venue for Senior Prom (PTN fund bus to transport pupils to/from venue) @ 9<sup>th</sup> June (circa 120 plus staff)</li> <li>• Huge thank you to all parents/carers for support over the adverse weather</li> <li>• Sports success: 2 Scottish National Basketball / Football League final</li> <li>• Girls rugby team won 7s tournament</li> <li>• Dance competition</li> <li>• Senior won solo / wild card / 2<sup>nd</sup> in large group</li> <li>• Recognition for Play Unified (Youth Sports Trust) – 3<sup>rd</sup> Nationally</li> <li>• Scottish Parliament invite to Head Boy/Girl to talk about key initiatives being driven forward at school</li> <li>• Bike Cover Canopies &amp; covered outside areas: progress continues and nearing conclusion of health and safety and 'other' required checks</li> <li>• Staffing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 2018/19 Timetable very nearly concluded</li> <li>- May will know probationer allocation</li> <li>- Staffing appointments from next week: Science / PE / Perm appt English</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Pupil Equity Fund : Scottish Government allocates £ to schools to encourage closing of the attainment gap. £1200 per Pupil who is registered as eligible for free school meals.</li> <li>• Supported Study</li> <li>• Primary Literacy Programme, focus is on closing the gap</li> <li>• Benefit is that this targeted approach results in support teaching staff having more scope to engage with all pupils, not just those identified as needing specific support.</li> <li>• Improving attainment, closing the poverty gap, and other focus areas are all good priorities that Scottish Government has</li> </ul>	<p>Head Teacher</p>	<p>SP</p>												
<p><b>8. Spring Concert (28<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm): event very successful, thank you to all who helped with pre and interval refreshments and raffle.</b></p>														
<p><b>9. AOB:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducted February and March Draw:</li> </ul> <table border="1" data-bbox="248 1281 1120 1541"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="248 1281 683 1326">50/50 Draw – February</th> <th data-bbox="683 1281 1120 1326">50/50 Draw – March</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="248 1326 683 1370">28 = Wendy Waddell (£5)</td> <td data-bbox="683 1326 1120 1370">85 = Danielle Bolle-Joyce (£5)</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="248 1370 683 1415">27 = Louise McLeod (£5)</td> <td data-bbox="683 1370 1120 1415">86 = Alison Mitchell (£5)</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="248 1415 683 1460">70 = Katherine McGarry (£5)</td> <td data-bbox="683 1415 1120 1460">96 = Geraldine Jones (£5)</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="248 1460 683 1505">56 = Lindsay Brooks (£10)</td> <td data-bbox="683 1460 1120 1505">25 = Richard Adams (£10)</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="248 1505 683 1541">36 = Claire McGowan (£20)</td> <td data-bbox="683 1505 1120 1541">76 = Dianne Curran (£20)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of Fashion Show format: PTN fed back that from a fund raise perspective it didn't raise much, sense that people were just waiting until being permitted into the main hall.</li> <li>• Attended a PTN network: Chair of Dunblane PTN has a drive to ensure quality of food provision is healthy. Food Survey detail provided alongwith March Meeting Minutes. Parent feedback – new to school – very difficult to check in as to what pupil has eaten though electronic summary provided. For example, record may show 3 x pot of fruit plus 1 x sauce rather than actual item as this is how catering staff have to input to the system so that the right cost is charged and settled. WHS PTN has been asked to send out a Food Survey to parents/carers. SP positioned it might be good to ask Dunblane Chair to advise WHS Catering Supervisor that this will be something being done. If Parents/Carers have any concerns/comments about Food Provision please</li> </ul>	50/50 Draw – February	50/50 Draw – March	28 = Wendy Waddell (£5)	85 = Danielle Bolle-Joyce (£5)	27 = Louise McLeod (£5)	86 = Alison Mitchell (£5)	70 = Katherine McGarry (£5)	96 = Geraldine Jones (£5)	56 = Lindsay Brooks (£10)	25 = Richard Adams (£10)	36 = Claire McGowan (£20)	76 = Dianne Curran (£20)	<p>PTN</p>	<p>ALL</p>
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<p>email WHS PTN (<a href="#">PTN Mailbox</a>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uniform Bank: Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May (evening) / Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May (during the day) 1.30pm – 3pm (AG will cover)</li> <li>• Parking at drop-off / collect: further raised that cars often parked in ‘drop off’ zones which adds to overall congestion, and increases risk of accident.</li> </ul> <p><b>ACTIONS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Update Distribution List to include recent details</li> <li>- Road sign which obscures view onto roundabout in terms of traffic coming from right (TM will raise with Council Roads department)</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Date of Next Meeting:</b> 29/05/2018 (AGM)</p>		