

Dunoon Primary School

**Dunoon Parent Support Network**

First Meeting - 26 Jan 2026 (6pm-7pm)

Meeting Minutes

Attendees/ Apologies

Attendees	Apologies
Ben (chair), Hayley (secretary), Caroline (treasurer), Susan B, Cheryl, Monique, Susie, Laura, Susan M (Deputy Head), Brenda (Head Teacher)	Eilidh, Emma-Louise, Efrat, Katrina

1. Housekeeping & Introductions

2. Standing Item: Headteacher's Update

*Welcomed children back after Christmas holidays.*

*Sickness has meant some staff absences.*

*Scottish Opera returning this year and pupils are working on this now. Performance on 18/2/26.*

*Scottish concert was very enjoyable and turnout was good.*

*Attainment is looking good. BR explained Curriculum for Excellence pathways & levels and all pupils are counted in data.*

a. School policies sub-group

*BR is looking for a group from the parent forum to work on updating and amending policies. (Action – BR: Invitation to be sent to full parental cohort).*

*Pupils will be part of this work.*

*First step is to audit policies in place and identify policies we need and agree a list.*

*Adapting policies.*

*Once drafted, all policies will be put on the school website and parents will be signposted to them.*

b. Curriculum design and school improvement plan

*Every school has its own curriculum design and should be individual to our context.*

*Survey has been sent out to parents to gain their ideas.*

c. Children's input to the curriculum

*BR shared an activity she carried out with Pupil Council gathering their opinions and ideas around:*

*What is important to us?*

*What makes DPS a good place to learn?*

*How should everybody be treated?*

*What makes DPS special?*

d. Parental volunteering sessions

*BR spoke about various opportunities for parents to volunteer.*

*They would be required to have a PVG for volunteering.*

3. Standing Item: Treasurer's Report

*RBS can provide us with a new bank account. They need two members who bank with them. (Action - Monique and Susan M: Meeting on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February @ 9am).*

*(Action – Caroline: agreed to provide account information on current fund balance).*

4. Standing Item: PTA committee update

a. Funding goals and transparency

*Parents seeking clarity around what money is used for. Request to share with parents what money raised will be used for, prior to events. Parents asked about local school trips, using children's bus passes. (Action – Susie: to get some quotes).*

b. Ceilidh plans

*26<sup>th</sup> February @ 6.30pm in school lunch hall.*

*(Action – BR: Order form to go home with each pupil). PTA to come into school and organise issuing tickets.*

c. Playground and astroturf/garden – current funding and new funding avenues

*Fundraising in the future should be going towards playground development. (Action – Caroline & Cheryl: Parent Council/PTA to explore available grants). (Action – Susie: to ask about climbing frame in Kirn Primary School).*

5. AOB

*Monique raised there is opportunity to be had around a summer fayre for PTA funding & better prep in the run-up to the stall the PTA has for the Christmas fayre. There was agreement to these points.*

6. Actions from last meeting

a. ~~Bank account for funding to be set up (CD/SM)~~ *CD covered this.*

b. ~~Constitution to be made available (BR):~~ *BR has emailed BB a first draft constitution for DPS for future ratification. (Action – BB: to be discussed at next meeting).*

c. ~~DPS Parent Council page to be refreshed (BB):~~ *(Action – BB: to get photos of office bearers and a group DPSN photo at next meeting for use on DPS website.*

d. ~~Agreed DPS website to be the hub for parent council activity.~~ *Closed.*