



Clermiston Primary School
Parent Council

Newsletter
June 2022

Parent Council Funding

The Parent Council are delighted to have recently provided funding towards the P5 Amazonia trip, have purchased the p1 homework bags for our incoming p1s and high school ties for our p7 leavers.

We would love suggestions of items to help fund so parents / carers / staff; please get in touch if you have ideas and suggestions!

Clermiston Football

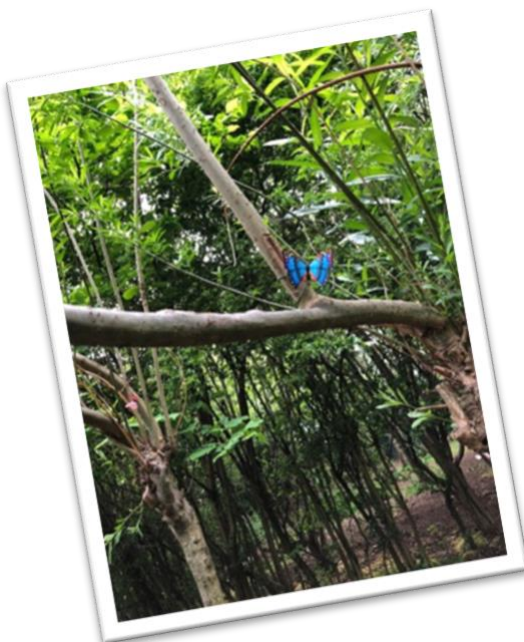
Our football training sessions have been hugely successful, and we are so happy to have organised and funded this initiative this summer term. We plan to continue Clermiston football coaching after the summer holidays and, while we may need to alter the way the sessions are funded, we plan to keep up these fantastic sessions and introduce opportunities to play Saturday matches.



Gardening Group – Wildlife Garden Makeover

Our gardening volunteers got together again in May to tackle the wildlife garden. We have given the area a full makeover and it is now a more enjoyable space for all the children and staff to use. We even added a few details to spark their imagination.

Additionally, we bought and re-planted flowers, fixed the broken planter box and re-painted the path to the shed. The outdoor spaces at school are looking great – join us next year to help keep them that way.



FAMILY FUN DAY



Family Fun Day

What a fantastic and joyous occasion the Family Fun Day was. The fundraising team put in a phenomenal effort to pull the whole event together in just 4 weeks. Not only was the day very well organised, it was buzzing with families having fun together at school.

We are thrilled to announce our total raised through the Fun Day was £896. Thank you so much to everyone who helped on the day, to our sponsors and to all who came along and had a brilliant time.



EMF Relay Fundraiser

Another amazingly successful fundraiser took place at the Edinburgh Marathon Festival. Two teams of school mums completed the marathon relay and had a brilliant time running. We also managed to raise £1520!

We are so grateful to everyone who donated, came along to cheer and supported us. We can't wait to repeat this next year, hopefully with a 3rd team.

A special shout-out to Sonia for her efforts in turning this idea into a reality!



Parking Bollards

A huge 'thank you' to Gill, Guy, Neil and Morag for volunteering to put the 'wee people' road bollards back in the shed every week. This small, strong team has really helped make a difference on the road on Mondays.

Farewells

A couple of important farewells are due this month as the Parent Council sadly lose Neil Gibson and Katie Campbell. Both Neil and Katie will be irreplaceable on the PC – generous, funny, knowledgeable and kind – we are going to miss them a lot and we send them all our love for the future.

We also say goodbye to Dawn Thompson, our previous PC Chair. Dawn paved the way for our current PC and we wouldn't be where we are today, doing what we can do, without Dawn and all the work she put in for many years. Thank you for everything, Dawn.

Parent Council “jobs” List

There are many ways you can be involved in the Parent Council and our work - You could become a member of the Parent Council and attend, at least, 3 meetings per year. Therefore, you can contribute to all discussions and decisions.

Or just come along to a PC meeting and listen in. As meetings will remain online on Teams next school year, they are easily manageable from home and are open to all.

Or you can volunteer to help on an ad hoc basis with different subgroups:



Fundraising – A group which plans and organises social activities where our school community can get together and have fun while raising some money. They definitely put the ‘fun’ in fundraising and they always welcome more helpers.



Gardening – A group of outdoor enthusiasts who love rolling up their sleeves and making a tangible difference to the outside spaces at school. They have a lot of laughs while they work and enjoy watching the transformations take place.



Bollards & Roads – A few volunteers who spend 5 minutes of their day returning the parking bollards to the shed. A very simple but hugely worthwhile task which allows our children to cross the road more safely to school on Mondays. Please join so we can increase the number of days the bollards appear on the road.



Clermiston Football – A few football enthusiasts who help support our professional coach. This allows the number of children able to attend to double! We need your support to keep our school football sessions going and we absolutely need Saturday helpers to begin playing matches.



Clermiston Clothing – We need a few volunteers to help keep on top of lost property and help maintain our new clothing rail initiative. This would suit individuals who prefer to stay out of larger groups and just help in a low-key role. Please contact us to find out more.