

Clermiston Primary School
Parent Council

Newsletter
June 2023

What's been happening?

Here is a snapshot of the work the Parent Council has done in the last 3 months. It is a good illustration of how we raise funds (through your amazing donations and contributions) and how we distribute them for the benefit of all the children at our school.

Have a wonderful summer everyone!

Awesome Outdoors

The PC-led Gardening Group excelled themselves in March and April making a huge difference all around the school grounds.

From painting the picnic benches, repairing planters and refreshing all the playground markings, to planting dozens of new flowers and plants; the team worked hard.

They also tackled the Wildlife Garden; fixing broken items, planting new herbs and making it safe for all our kids.

The Parent Council also funded the new Astroturf strip (lovingly laid by Quintin the janitor), supplied the timber for the decking to be fixed and purchased the new planter boxes for the Buttercup Farmers Pupil Voice Group. We also funded all the new plants in the decking area and all around the school.

The work of this group is invaluable – we are always looking for new volunteers so join them to make a wonderful difference to the playgrounds.



PC Subsidy

The PC are proud to have put £500 towards the p7 leavers experience. The amazing p7 parent team have used these funds wisely to give our p7s the best send-off ever!

Football Field & More Super Strips

In the Spring, the PC happily funded a few boxes of grass seed to try and improve the state of the field for our footballers to enjoy when they host teams to play at the weekend. We are pleased to see it looking better already.

We were also very happy to subsidise the generous sponsorship of the new p4 football strip. Thank you so much to the kind and generous family business who organised, and sponsored, the fabulous new strips! The p4 team are lucky to have you and are now looking smart!



Bike Servicing

The Parent Council proudly funded a full day of repair, and servicing, for our bikes.

We're grateful to Kyle from Mobile Bicycle Repair for his hard work. We are even more grateful, though, to the 3 parent volunteers who organised everything, and spent a couple of hours assisting him out of love.

We now have a fully serviced, high quality fleet of bikes for the children to use during their Bikeability lessons – what an amazing achievement!

Trip Subsidy

The Parent Council were unanimous in their decision to give £3000 to school in September 2022 to subsidise trips for this academic year. We are pleased to announce that all the subsidy has been put to very good use and almost all year groups were able to take a trip.

You can see here all the amazing places our year groups got to visit this year.

The PC subsidy allowed school to keep parental contributions as low as possible while the children travelled to their destination mostly on private coaches.



The King's official residence in Edinburgh and the home of Scottish royal history.



PC Vacancy

We need a new PC Secretary to take the minutes at our PC meetings. This is an important job and we would love someone (can be someone new to PC) to step up and offer to help.

We are a friendly, welcoming bunch so don't hesitate to get in touch to find out more.

EMF Relay Fundraiser

We are thrilled to announce that our EMF Relay teams raised £1,785 while smashing out 3 marathons! This is wonderful!

All funds raised will be put to use by the Clermiston PC to enhance the school experience of every child at our school.

Big love to the 12 brilliant runners for training hard and smashing it – it was an excellent day!



Summer Disco Fundraiser

We are delighted to announce our Disco night raised £579.46 (after expenses)!

This is a fantastic total which is the icing on the cake of a wonderful night. We are so happy and proud to have made this possible for all the children and our school community.

Thank you so much to everyone who came along to enjoy the night - what an excellent way to end our school year of fundraising.



Fond Farewells

We are sad to be saying goodbye to Charlie Goldsmith - a veteran member of the PC and a wonderful friend. She has been so influential in her work for our school community.

Charlie has been in charge of the Christmas Card fundraiser for many years and has been a brilliant part of our PC group.

We wish her all the best and we will try to rope her into as much occasional volunteering as we can!

PC Email and Other Mediums for Communication

Facebook page: [Click Here](#)

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(NEW) Email address: clermistonpc@outlook.com

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS



Please be aware that the parent council have a new email address. Please contact us at:

clermistonpc@outlook.com

How do I get involved with the parent council?

- ✓ Become a member of the Parent Council – attend at least 3 meetings per year and contribute to all discussions and decisions.
- ✓ Come along to a meeting and take part in discussions or just listen in.
- ✓ Volunteer to help on an ad hoc basis with one of our Subgroups.