

HeadTeacher Report – Parent Council Meeting: Tues 16th March 2021

As I write we are into our last week of learning from home for our P4 – P7 learners. We are very much looking forward to having Trinity back together again from the 15th March

COVID – 19 update

Since Aug 2021 we have had five positive cases none of which appear to have been transmitted within school. These numbers are reassuring that the procedures we have in place are helping to minimise any risk of infection. It is important that as we return to full attendance in school we do not get complacent. The wearing of face coverings, hand hygiene and distancing between adults remain of utmost importance along with the continuation of learning bubbles inside our school building. Staff now have access to lateral flow tests. A reminder to keep children at home whilst a family member is being tested and getting a child tested if showing symptoms has been issued in the recent newsletter.

Learning from home

The survey undertaken in late January was very positive. Nearly all parents and carers responded to say that the level of learning was appropriate. A few tweaks to how feedback was given and to ensuring learning was posted in advance proved successful. Increased interaction between staff and learners was also beneficial.

Budget

We continue to work within our budget. Our 40 ipads arrived in school early Jan – these have been deployed as required. Approval was given to a 0.7% reduction in school budgets for next year to support the 1:1 digital strategy. We are in the process of evaluating our PEF allocation and considering best value for next session.

Staffing

It has been great to have Mrs Sneddon and Mrs McLeister both back in school and feeling better. We currently have all staff able to work – any absence cover will be undertaken internally as far as is possible. Our Trinity babies are all thriving (hopefully by the time of the mtg Ms Lamb's twins will be here!)

Reporting to parents / carers

The decision has been made to continue with the same approach to reporting to parents and carers as pre Christmas. A written profile and opportunity for phone call conversation will happen before the middle of June.

Session ahead

We are looking at how we ensure that school events /activities are still able to happen despite COVID restrictions. It is our aim to make sure that P7 end their time at Trinity is as memorable a way as possible. We will be sharing ideas with P7 on the 16th March.

Thank you again

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