

HT report for Parent Council Tues 29th Nov 2022

School roll remains just above 600. Four of our learners from Ukraine have now resettled elsewhere in Scotland. Unfortunately this has meant that the children have had to move schools. We have welcomed a new family from India and from another Edinburgh school.

Staffing

Mariia Krakova and Madison Ronde have now joined the Trinity PSA team. Mariia is from Ukraine and is supporting our Ukrainian learners.

Hannah Watt, our learning community teacher, is currently working collaboratively with our P6 and P7 teams. Her focus is on raising attainment in literacy.

Our two students at P6 and P7 continue to develop and work alongside the Trinity staff.

Building and Playground

Kitchen staff finally got into the refurbished kitchen on Monday Nov 21st. It is looking good but at the moment quite overwhelming for the staff as they get to grips with new equipment and layout. Hot lunches will return from Mon Nov 28th. We are expecting a few issues but are ever hopeful that by the end of term things will have settled. All children having a hot lunch will eat in the dining hall. We are hoping to also accommodate P2, P4 and P5 packed lunches in the dining hall. P1 and P3 will continue to have packed lunches in their classrooms with P6 and P7 using the main hall if possible. It will certainly be a case of trial and error as we manage numbers.

We are in the process of requesting quotes to lay lino in one of the P1 classrooms and to decorate and recarpet one of the P4 classrooms. Hopefully the work will be undertaken in the Feb holiday.

The mound is requiring remedial works to replace some of the logs etc. A quote of £8000 was received. TPSA and school will discuss and agree.

Finance

We remain within budget and are forecast to have a small underspend as planned. This will be used for contingency. We have recently purchased a Clevertouch Pico box to allow us to display on the foyer screen, are upgrading our sound system in the main hall and are looking to recruit some additional clerical assistant support. We await information regarding probable cuts to education.

Learning at Trinity

This week sees us update our attainment levels and submit to the authority. We have still to analyse data but are hopeful that there will have been progress made. Parents' / Carers' meetings were well attended and feedback positive. Several parents / carers have taken up an offer from Mrs Keillor to attend a workshop to support with literacy at home. Our Families Connect programme, run by Sandra Brown and Kelly Tawake, is well underway with approx. 8 families involved. We will be starting a Seasons for Growth programme for learners in the new year. This provides support for children who have experienced bereavement or are carers etc.

One to one devices are now well established within second level classes. The use of IT is well planned and there are clear expectations regarding their use. A meeting for parents and carers showcasing their use is being planned.

P3 shared their learning about the Ancient Egyptians with P2 and P1 next to take to the stage!
Christmas preparations are well underway. It is great to be able to reinstate Trinity coming Together with our Christmas house art day, the light switch on, silent disco, Santa run, parties etc.

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