

**Minutes of Wallace Hall
2-18 Parent Council Meeting
Monday 7th June 2021
7pm via Teams**

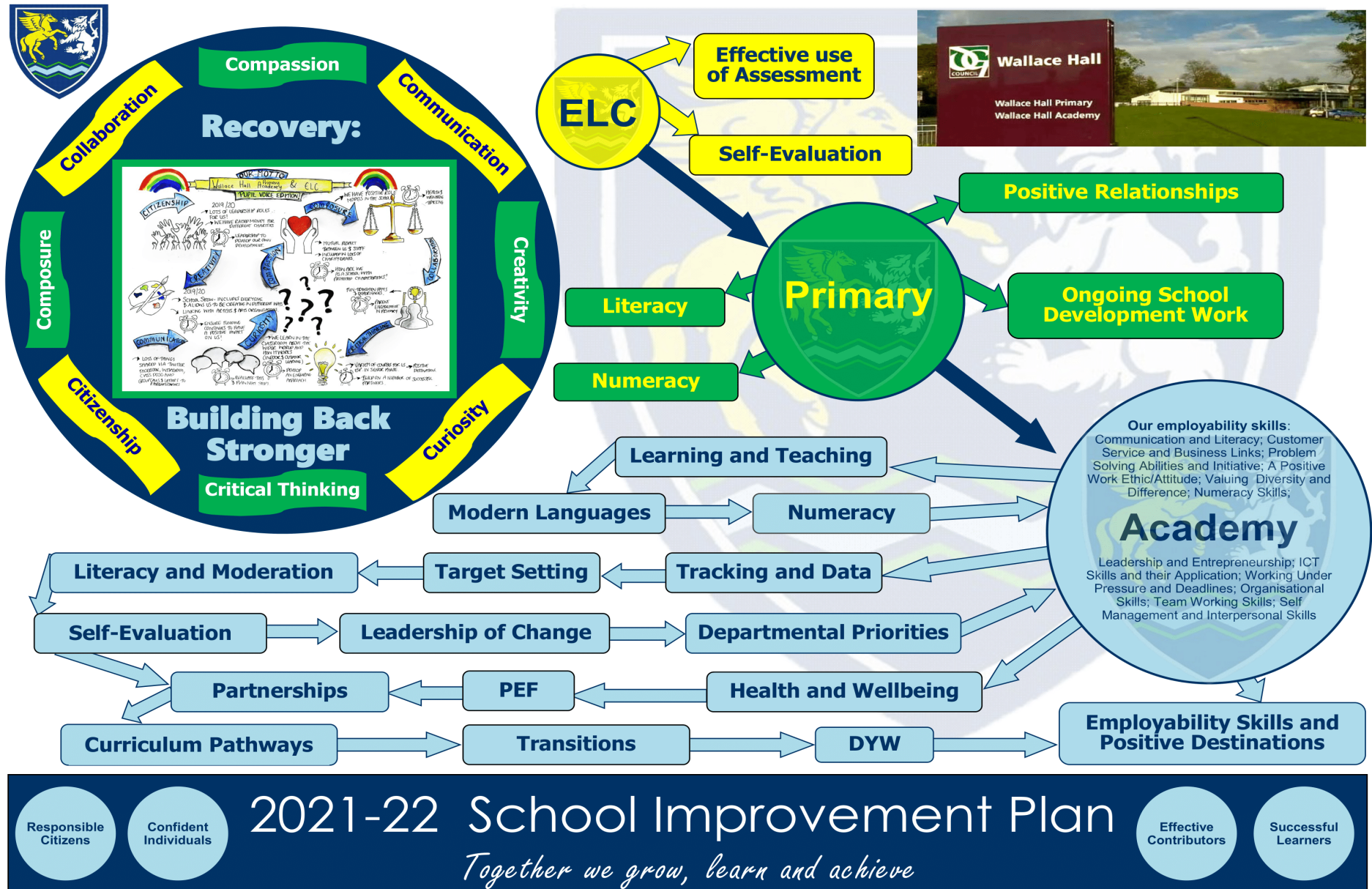
Present: Louise Cochran (Chair), Caroline O'Hara (Vice-Chair), Katrina Galligan (Secretary), Barry Graham, Melanie Halliday, Euan Mack, Cathy Mackenzie, Ann Andreasen, Lynne Maxwell & Sharon Young

Item		Action
1	<p>Apologies: Charlene Henderson, Kerry Fry, Christine Carson, Laura Weir, Anna Meredith Jillian Maxwell & Jane Valentine</p> <p>Welcome – LC welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p>	
2	<p>Approval of the Minutes from last meeting Monday 26th April – Minutes approved and agreed as correct. Approved by AA & seconded MH</p>	
3	<p>JM Could not make it due to mix up; will reattend when it is on next.</p> <p>JV was unable to attend meeting to give a report in person on Communications & Social Media Session. LC read out report from JV. Interesting Session, not sure there was anything new we were not already doing. Information packs were provided. JV will look through these over holidays, if there is anything useful in them, will bring up at next meeting.</p> <p>No reply from CC if she attended Treasurer's session or not.</p> <p>KG emailed about when training session are next running and they responded stating they would be back running after school holidays and will email us with list and dates.</p>	JV
4	<p>Other correspondence:</p> <p>LC reads email from parent about issues regarding path to school and how dangerous it can be.</p> <p>BG has also heard from this parent and has been in touch with parent regarding this issue with the path.</p> <p>2 Lollipop people are needed because of the 2 dangerous roads and sometimes has overgrown brushes which make it more dangerous.</p> <p>School has contacted council on multiple occasions regarding this. Parent Council has also previously contacted the council regarding this matter.</p> <p>On Wednesday 16th June 2021, Mrs Diane Jarvie (School Support Manager) is holding a Road Safety Meeting with interested parties and has asked for a representative from the Parent Council to go along. Chair agreed to attend. Another meeting is scheduled for Sept as</p>	

	well as a site visit. Chair will attend these meetings.	LC
5	<p>A) Continued with the wee Blethers which has been very beneficial and has had some great positive feedback with great discussions. Everyone has enjoyed the opportunity to have these discussions and talk about issues in such an open environment.</p> <p>B) As from 15th June, money raised from 10p challenge stands at £317.80.</p> <p>C) Apologies from CC</p> <p>No report sent</p> <p>Academy is having fundraising raffle in Autumn and CC has a licence.</p>	
6	School improvement Plan in Appendix One	
7	<p>LC stated concerns had been raised by Parent Council Members and Parents regarding increased aggressive behaviour in the Secondary playground. BG reported on the Aggressive Behaviour in the playground-Some boys had attacked younger boys and there was a specific accident; 1 boy has now left, and 2 others have been expelled for 5 days, then they will be allowed back. Police were also involved, and one person was charged.</p> <p>Parents are now very concerned as it is a higher level of aggression that has not been normally seen in WH. The school is now seeing increased levels of violence and sharing of such events on social media; these events are being recorded and shared on Tik Tok. Parents have approached members of PC about these incidents due to them being seen on social media. A discussion took place regarding the whole matter.</p> <p>The PC asked how they could help and support the school deal with these issues and what support measures would be put in place?</p> <p>BG said in the Secondary playground there is a senior manager on duty each day, Mr Mack, Mr Blair & Mr Graham as well as Principal Teachers at the same time. So, there are always adults around in the playground if pupils are concerned about anything in the playground. Pupils can approach any of these adults about their concerns.</p> <p>It was pointed out to Senior Management that due to this incident parents were very concerned, because parents were not notified of this incident, and it had been shared 2nd and 3rd hand; it left people with a lot of questions and concerns. The incident was like Chinese whispers and various stories were shared on what happened and how it was dealt with, which is what has led to this over concern of behaviour at school, amongst parents.</p> <p>LC informed PC of upcoming Respect Me Training on Anti-bullying in schools for PC members.</p> <p>LM and SY interested in attending the above training – KG will email details to LM & SY</p>	LM SY
8	<p>Approval from JV, COH, JM, SY & LC</p> <p>AA- Approved</p> <p>MH – Will read and email approval – emailed approval on 9th June</p> <p>LM- Approved</p> <p>Draft updated constitution will now go out to the Parent Forum as a group call in late August/early September once the school returns, in time for it to be adopted and implemented at the AGM in October.</p> <p>Thank you to LC and COH for drafting this.</p>	
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	<p>Larann Foss has been in touch LC reads email dated the 1st June 2021. Everything going forward as planned. Unsure where Wallace Hall Pitches are on list for being fixed and no date yet for Education Committee. LC seeked approval from Parent Council, should the need arise during the holidays, to contact and try and gather as much support from Councillors, MSP and MPs, before next Education Committee, to help get Wallace Hall higher up the list. All present approved.</p>	
10	No Treasurer's Report -Treasurer will forward on for Members to read.	CC
11	Headteacher's Report Appendix Two	
12	<p>DUX Medal has been ordered £15.92 LC will get the Card, Prize of £50 cash and Medal, and will get Treasurer to reimburse cost when school reopens after the holidays. Authority has said the S6 leavers event has to be called off. Possibly due to a slight increase in cases in the area. A groupcall will be sent out to the 6th years. Everyone is very sad that they are unable to hold this leavers event.</p>	LC
	<p>Next Meeting, Monday, 6th Sept 7pm via Teams AGM Monday 4th Oct 7pm via Teams</p>	

Appendix One



Appendix Two

Head Teacher's Report for the Parent Council –June 2021

ELC News:

Everyone in the ELC has been super busy this term. We have welcomed the final member of the team Mrs Graham who is our latest Early Years Support Assistant, Miss Edgar is no longer a trainee Early Years Support Assistant after smashing her qualification and the pre-school children are enjoying a hybrid transition to P1 with the support of everyone in the setting.

Primary News:

Very busy Term 4 with a number of events and pupil voice/action activities taking place, involving the whole primary school. These include:

- Employability fortnight/Big Me Day - looking at different career sectors and the huge range of jobs that people do in our local area and the wider world. Skills and qualities that we might need for the jobs that we would like to do. The fortnight culminated in our 'Big Me' fundraiser for Action Aid today where children dressed up as the job they may like to do in the future.
- Daily Mile - Travel to Tokyo initiative
- Pupil Council - weekly focus questions on being active, anti-bullying, employability
- Playground development - new play equipment for all classes
- Rights Respecting Schools work - submitting bronze award shortly
- Active Schools working with all Primary classes
- Sports Day – an enjoyable day was had by all.

Secondary News:

Tommy Lee, Kelvin Scott, Lizzie Kinkead, Kieran Wood and Jak Kerr were presented with certificates for participation in the Prince's Trust Enterprise Challenge. Their idea was based around a fast-food market stand.