Papdale Parent Council - 2 Feb 2015

Present, Lynette Shearer, Jane Bruce, Karyn Tait, Claire Louttit, Angela Crawford, Dave Clapham, Leah Rendall, Ann Scott, Julia Shirreffs, Kelly Scott and Margaret Keenan.

- 1) Apologies: Kevin Balfour , Diane Clark and Rachal Thomson
- 2) Minutes of 9th February were approved by Julia and seconded by Dave.
- 3) Matters Arising:

Netball – we have not yet been asked for a donation, but the posts have just arrived so Margaret will find out what the total is and forward the payment

Independent reading – the classes seem to be emphasising the reading skill and allowing the children to choose their own material, this approach may need to be looked at. It is hoped that a little more instruction could be given to the parents as to how much is required each night, but still allowing the children the independence of choosing the books.

4) HT Report – see attached

5) AOB -

<u>Head Teacher and Parent Chair Meeting</u> - Graham Horne had asked at the last if they should be held twice yearly – Lynette has attended a few of these meetings and felt that this would not be beneficial as it would mean extra time off work for some members, we all agreed

ACTION – Lynette to email Graham to let him know the Parent Councils thoughts

<u>Ipads</u> - this it still ongoing - it was decided that the school should order 30 rather than 15 to allow one per pupil - **ACTION** - Mrs Bruce to let Kevin know that he can go ahead and place the order

<u>Play equipment / ground repairs</u> - Kevin has spoken to Steven Kemp who has very kindly agreed to carry out a few repairs to the area free of charge, widening the entrance to the gate, new bark chips and the matting will be done soon.

<u>P7 combined Disco</u> - Lesley approached Lynette at the last school disco to see if she organised a combined disco with Papdale, Glaitness and St Andrews if the Parent Council would help out at it. Date and venue (although it is hoped the KGS would be available possibly the Friday after the pupils have their two days up there) to be confirmed

ACTION - Lynette to keep in touch with Lesley and let her know that we are happy to help out on the night

<u>Parking</u> - Kevin has emailed to say that the parking is no worse, but will always be a problem with the shortage of space around the school, Ann also saw a car on the double yellow lines at the Willows and a police car in the area - who unfortunately did nothing.

<u>ACTION</u> - Lynette will email PC David Hal informing him that she is stepping down from the Parent Council as Chair but also to ask for their continued support regarding the parking issues

AGM - date set for 21st September 6pm in Staff Room

ACTION - Claire to email round the list of contacts to see which classes need covered for next year

Meeting Closed 7pm	Signed by Chairperson