

# Princess Margaret Public School – Parent Council Meeting Minutes

## November 14, 2022 6pm-7:30pm

In Attendance:

- Andrea Papavasiliou
- Kimberley Ellis
- Jessica Keats-Marchildon
- Sabrina Ferreria
- Ida Carr
- Megan Swan
- Shannon Stirling
- Emily Mallet
- Tracey Mikulik
- Sharyn Ayliffe

Topic	Key Notes
Principals Report – Andrea	<p>Andrea shares the Land Acknowledgement from Remembrance Day</p> <p>Andrea shares Anti-Racism Statement</p> <p>Andrea shares workshops that staff will be participating in over the next few weeks.</p> <p>Report cards available online starting November 17<sup>th</sup>. If you are having trouble accessing report cards, please contact classroom teacher for a hardcopy or contact Jodi to confirm email address and login instructions. Information to be sent home with students November 16<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>GSA (Gay Straight Alliance) started at PMPS with a small turnout excited to start some initiatives in the school.</p> <p>Many superintendent and director visits over the last month and upcoming.</p> <p>Students read and shared daily announcements for Treaties recognition week</p> <p>Reminder to parents to be checking the weekly update emails – many updates also available on the school website and on twitter.</p> <p>Significant concern regarding lates and attendance at PMPS. Understandably many students are experiencing illness however well students should be regularly attending class. Parents needing attendance support should reach out to Andrea. Attendance letters will be included with progress reports this term.</p> <p>EAQO results are out and although Reading/Writing Scores were very well done, Math Scores are concerning. Student mindsets around math are also concerning. PMPS has been identified as a Ministry Math Targeted School. Please see Principals report for further details.</p> <p>Question regarding mask recommendations circulating: Masks are recommended to all employees by the board but not yet mandated. Starting next week, the board will be reporting on absences. Masks are not mandated but highly encouraged.</p>
Teachers Report - Kim	<p>Volleyball – Students are actively playing on teams</p> <p>Student Council has been very active with spirit days</p>

	<p>Garden is being prepared for winter – seeds from the garden are being collected by students for next years garden and possibly donating some to the seed library at the Orangeville Library if it is still in use – Shannon volunteers to possibly run a seed saving workshop for the students – Shannon to connect with Kim.</p> <p>Choir is still active – 2 intermediate students and the rest are junior and primary.</p> <p>School has art displayed in the halls for parents to see when visiting.</p>
Fundraiser Payment Options for Parents	<p>Offering SchoolCash Online and Cash doubles the workload for the Fundraiser. Jodi is phenomenal and such a huge support for our school and responsible for overseeing the safety and wellbeing of students and communication with parents. It is unreasonable to request the office for double the workload for each fundraiser. The board recommends using School Cash Online for transparency.</p> <p>PMPS will be primarily using School Cash Online for Fundraisers, however the school is committed to supporting any parents/guardians that are in need of making cash payments for various reason – please reach out to the school for support as needed.</p>
Little Caesars Pizza Fundraiser - Jessica	<p>Successful fundraiser last year – Council decides on running the LC Pizza fundraiser once this year.</p> <p>Fundraiser Date TBC – Tentative Date for Pizza Pick Up - Friday March 31st</p>
Hanging Basket Fundraiser - Ida	<p>Hanging Basket Fundraiser will be initiated in January 2023 and update will be provided at February Parent Council Meeting. A request to be made for additional Baskets grown this year.</p> <p>Fundraiser Date TBD - Will be run in April for May Pick Up.</p>
Bird Seed - Emily	<p>Will be purchased by Parent Council for the Kindergarten area and also to be used for the Holiday Winter Fair Outdoor Activities.</p> <p>Emily will contact vendor for order or source new vendor if needed.</p>
Joint Parents Council Event - Emily	<p>Parent Council was invited to Parents Involvement Committee Event however the date conflicts with the Holiday Craft Fair. Event focuses on roles of Parent Council within schools. Please contact Emily for more information and details if you are interested.</p>
Holiday Craft Fair Update - Tracey	<p>Schedules going out to all the volunteers this week – however schedule is flexible to prepare for student changes.</p> <p>Teacher Volunteers are helping in the adult roles that day and need a list of parent volunteers available that day to be scheduled.</p> <p>Jessica will prepare sticker name tags for volunteers</p> <p>Plastic Containers have been donated from Zehrs for the Bake Sale for baked goods that do not come divided or pre-packaged for sale. Metro donated a \$25 gift card to help as well.</p> <p>Promotion in the school was done to get the silent auction baskets filled with an ice cream reward or something like that for the class that has the most items donated for their basket.</p> <p>Radio Station has not yet contacted Jessica but Tracey will follow up</p> <p>Room Map will be completed by Tracey and sent to Jessica</p> <p>Volunteers on Friday night to report to Jessica</p> <p>Hand Sanitizing Stations will be set out during the Holiday Craft Fair</p> <p>Tracey to send rooms that need adult volunteers to be filled by parents</p>

Clothing Swap – Kim	A bit slower than previous years – Approx 9-10 bags so far have been received. Please ensure to drop off all donations in advance. Separate tickets will be used for the clothing swap. Leftover clothes to be donated.
Signs/Advertising – Sharyn	Jessica working towards getting a photo op in the paper in front of the school to announce Holiday Craft Show – Parent Permission is required so recommended to use Parent Council kids. Signs have been delivered to school and are located in storage room. Jessica will send signage map to Sharyn for permit request. Shayrn will advise once the permit is received. Tracey offers the students to put the signs on the frames. Vinyl sign with gromets to be priced/ordered for advertising Holiday Craft Fair on PMPS fence. Rogers does not have an open segment that will work but they will post the ad. Tracey has sent in information to radio stations and will follow up so that they reach out to Jessica. Signs will be left in the office to be collected for distribution. Sharyn will create <i>I'm a Vendor</i> matching the branding social posts so that Vendors can participate in sharing/promoting the event.
Vendor, KidPreneurs, Minute to Win It Activities Update – Jessica	2 tables are still pending finalization. Tables are 6ft. 3-4 applications have been received so far for KidPreneurs Map has been planned for the Gymnasium Minute to Win It sheets to be laminated Face Painting to be done with the Volunteers Vendors can set up Friday night but must be ready by Saturday at 9am.
Kids Shopping – Sabrina	Sabrina will be at the school on Monday Nov 21 at 3pm to collect some donations. Jessica will collect the donations from Shannon. More variety in donations are needed for a variety of recipients. Additional Suggestions: Books, Tools, Knickknacks, and more.
Silent Auction, Raffle, Face Painting – Jessica for Billie Jo	Silent Auction items should be brought to office for lock up. Raffle – Item requires no additional cost and value must be provided for permit. 50/50 Raffle on Holiday Craft Fair Day decided by council – Permit to be requested by Jessica? Ticket costs suggested 1 ticket for \$2 or 3 for \$5.
Outdoor Activities – Shannon	Several Activities planned based on a variety of weather conditions. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Tree Identification</li> <li>2. Cardboard Yeti Feet – Snow Footprints</li> <li>3. Kindness Word Wall – Chalk</li> <li>4. Frozen Bubbles</li> <li>5. Bird Watching</li> <li>6. School Yard Disc Golf (frisbees need to be collected to be used – please put your name on them if you would like it returned)</li> <li>7. Bean Bag Toss (Holiday Themed)</li> <li>8. School Yard Scavenger Hunt</li> <li>9. Pine Cone Bird Feeders</li> <li>10. Kindness Calendar Countdown to Winter Solstice</li> </ol>

	<p>Supplies Needed: Frisbees, Beanbags, HulaHoops, Twine/String/Ribbon, Bird Seeds, Scissors, Markers, Cardboard, Chalk, Bubbles, Pine Cones, Pencils, Photocopies, Disc Golf Course, Paper Bags</p> <p>Supplies needed that are not donated will be purchased.</p> <p>A few volunteers needed to support Shannon with running outdoor activities.</p>
Next Meeting	<p>February 6<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm – Next General Parent Council Meeting</p> <p>Please send all agenda items to be added to Emily and Jessica ahead of that date.</p> <p>Sign Weekend: Nov 18/19 – Waiting on Permit - Pick up signs on Friday/Saturday</p>