Title	**Trinity Parent Council**		
Subject	**Minutes of Meeting**	Meeting Date	**Thursday 6 February**
Location	Trinity High School		
Present	Head Teacher: Mrs C McArdle Parent Council Members: D. Brennan, S. McPhee, M. McArdle, A. Weir, M. Monaghan, A. Lennon. Invited Guests: M. Marks, A. Simpson.		
Apologies	G. Greechan, M. McKernan, G. Kennedy.		

Ref	ITEM	ACTION
1.0	Apologies	
1.1	G. Greechan, M. McKernan, G. Kennedy.	
2.0	Previous Minutes and Matters Arising	
2.1	Previous minutes adopted as read. Proposed: M. McArdle Seconded: S. McPhee	
3.0	Holy Year of Jubilee	
3.1	Principal Teacher of Religious Education, Marie Marks explained that the Catholic Church entered into the Holy Year of Jubilee on Christmas Eve of 2024 and that the Holy year will run until January 6 2026. This takes place every 25 years. The theme this year is that of 'Pilgrims of Hope'. Mrs Marks explained that the Holy Year of Jubilee is an opportunity for us to make a particular effort to come closer to God, reach out with love to one another and to appreciate and advocate for God's creation (Laudato Si'). Mrs Marks explained that Trinity High School is committed to ensuring that all pupils, staff and parents feel connected to the Jubilee Year of Hope 2025. The theme 'Pilgrims of Hope' supports Trinity High's values of Faith, Hope and Charity and builds on our school moto – Home, School, Church- Stronger Together. Pope Francis has created a special jubilee prayer which Fr Paul has shortened and adapted slightly for use in our school. Mrs McArdle and the Pastoral Planning group are asking all classes every Monday morning Period 1 to either start or end with this special prayer during this Jubilee year. This collective, community prayer will help build our community of faith and strengthens the connection between our school and the universal Church.	

	The jubilee theme has already been introduced at assemblies and will be re-visited on Monday and Wednesday assembly and will be highlighted in classes, special inserts for pupils, staff and parents from our school chaplains, our Departmental Meetings' and through a variety of 'Pilgrims of Hope' activities as we continue through 2025. Mrs Marks distributed copies of the Trinity High School Jubilee Prayer 2025 and a calendar of events outlining activities that will take place across the Holy Year of Jubilee. Parent Council members thanked Mrs Marks for her attendance at these evenings meeting and for clearly outlining the comprehensive list of activities that will take place across the year.	
4.0	Cost of the School Day	
4.1	Depute Head Teacher of Equity, Adele Simpson thanked Parent Council members for their ongoing support and participation in the Magic Breakfast Bar which runs every morning in school. A recent Magic Breakfast inspection highlighted that "It is apparent that all staff and pupils are aware of the importance of breakfast and the Magic Breakfast offer. The school is committed to feeding children at risk of hunger. The offer is embedded in the school day. Parents and carers are regularly reminded of what's available." Mrs Simpson distributed copies of the Cost of the School Day Policy and the Trinity Cost of the School Day Calendar. Mrs Simpson will also send electronic copies of the Policy, Calendar and the tonight's PPT Presentation to Parent Council members for their perusal. Mrs Simpson requested that Parent Council members share feedback or thoughts on any of this by email or bring it to the next meeting in March. Cost of the School Day Survey completed and results discussed. Parents and pupils highlighted uniform as the top cost that is difficult for families to afford, closely followed by lunches. These results are consistent with last year. However, on a positive note awareness of supports in school to help pupils and families with the cost of things like uniform and awareness of initiatives such as breakfast club is increasing. Next steps discussed. S. McPhee thanked A. Simpson for her attendance at this evening meeting and providing such a comprehensive overview of initiatives that have taken place.	A. Simpson
5.0	Head Teachers Report	
5.1	Updated Staffing:	

	Acting FH of Performing Arts - D Baddon and C Swann Depute Head Teacher appointed on Tuesday – J Hughes (currently FH of Business Education) Pastoral Matters: Mrs Marks has highlighted the activities that will take place to highlight the Holy Year of the Jubilee within the school Assessment Period/ Next Steps: Assessment period(s) completed. Supported Study will begin after the February weekend and Easter school will run in the first week of the Easter break. S5/6 Full reports are currently being completed. Pupils who missed exams have had a period of catch-up this week. In the next few weeks discussions will be had with young people, parents/guardians regarding next steps. Celebrating Success: Burns Night Competition Trinity pupils came, conquered and swept the board in some cases. Just after our last meeting, 12 of our vocalists were entered into the Bridgeton Burns competition and have been working tirelessly over the past few months with Mrs Swan on solo, duet and choir performances. The pupils performed and the results came in: Secondary Duet Category: 1st Place - Andrew Osisanya and Amber Cooper! 3rd Place - Sophie McCluskey and Hollie McGinty Secondary Own Interpretation Category, literally swept the board!!!!! 1st Place - Andrew Osisanya 2nd Place - Sophie McCluskey 3rd Place-HollieMcGinty SecondaryChoirs 2nd Place - TRINITY HIGH	

	A huge well done to Mrs Swan for all her hard work with the pupils over the past few months and I know it's a night that both she and the pupils really look forward to. Extremely busy last week before the Christmas break… · S1/2 Ceilidh live performance from our Ceilidh Band. · Christmas Wellbeing Day · Charitable Activities during advent which included Christmas Jumper Day – Foodbank Appeal a large number kindly donated for local foodbanks and families. · St Andrew's Day lunch was a massive success with over 50 visitors from various parishes to the school. · Christmas Show Christmas Harmony again saw our talented young people put on a show to be proud of…. Auditions are underway for this Summers School Show which is Sister Act. · Holocaust Memorial Events – assemblies and pupils performed at Carluke High School.	
6.0	Parish Input	
6.1	Next meeting.	
7.0	Treasurer's Report & PTA Activities	
7.1	Next meeting.	
8.0	Correspondence in the Period	
8.1	None.	
9.0	Any Other Business (AOB)	
9.1	A group of S1 and S2 pupils will be representing the school at a Cross Country event in Biggar. Mrs. McArdle requested that PTA funds be used to provide a bus to this event. All members in agreement that funding could be used for transport. M. Monaghan to establish how Trinity High School can apply to be part of Tesco's Community Grant scheme.	M. Monaghan

	S. McPhee will attend S2 Parents' Evening next week to raise awareness and seek new members of Parent Council and PTA. Discussion took place regarding the need for new members. Discussion also took place regarding the advertisement of Parent Council as we search for new members and how PTA funding is used to support pupils. D. Brennan to liaise with E. Kilgour regarding this.	S. McPhee D. Brennan/ E. Kilgour
10.0	Date & time of next meeting: 6th March 2025 at 7pm	