What will the framework look like? Structure options can be:

- Option 1: The parent council is 1 committee running all activities.
- Option 2: PC is lead committee with sub committees i.e PSA but report back to PC
- Option 3: PC & PSA run as separate groups that require their own public liability insurance

Who is interested in a role on the parent council board? Roles include:

- Chair:
- Vice chair:
- Secretary:
- Treasurer (if PTA wish to open their own bank account):

It is looking likely that the structure will be option 2. This means we can have parents involved in fundraising and events separate from being involved in meetings re policies etc however will still have the support of a parent council. A few names were put forward for the above roles however those who were not in attendance can also have a role if you put your name forward to be voted in at the next AGM. The PTA may be able to run without a bank account however orders for events and fundraising can only be made through the councils contracted suppliers and not on amazon etc. This would require a treasurer for the PTA.

Is there any money in the PSA account just now? Is there any resources from the previous PSA we have access to?

There is some money left over from the previous PSA however we do not know how much. Once the current PSA bank account is closed, this money will be handed over to the school and put aside until the new PSA is set up. There are some resources that are currently stored in the Mosswood, arrangements will be made for these to be brought back to the school and audited.

What are the house captain roles?

The new 'pupil council' has been set up with 2 house captains for each house. There are also curriculum captains for Equity, health and wellbeing who will be helping Mrs Piper with a pilot though Education Scotland.

Digital workshop for accessibility to parents' portal, see-saw, teams ETC. this in the pipeline?

As discussed at previous meetings, there may be a requirement for a digital workshop to take place to show parents how to use seesaw and parents' portal. If there is not much uptake in this, information videos or letters can be sent out. The workshop might be a good idea to help teach parents and carers how to keep their children safe online. On another note, parents do not get access to Teams and Teams password for safety issues as there are other children on the accounts. Pupils are taught how to use this. Mr Potter is updating the school website with newsletters and homework grids regularly.

Primary 7 school camp

Primary 7 school camp is currently being arranged – P7 parents will be group called re this.

Homework

Homework will mainly be used on digital platforms but not always, reading books can be brought home however the return rate can be quite low. Family challenges and science club were brought up, Mrs Kerr took note of this, any other suggestions are welcome.

PE Uniform requirements

Mrs Kerr advised that the policy for changing in class for PE changed due to covid restrictions. Parents have been advised regularly that the PE uniform is a plain top and dark joggers or leggings, and this wasn't being followed by everyone and turned into a bit of a fashion show of designer clothes, crop tops and short shorts. Uniform enforces equality because everyone is wearing the same and it brings a sense of belonging. Staff have found that there is a lack of respect, poor behaviour and engagement from some pupils and bringing back uniform every day will help.

Primary 1-3 will continue to change in class for PE and teachers are being very sensitive with this matter. Individual concerns can be raised, and alternative arrangements may be able to be made. Pupils can wear their PE kit under their school uniform or wear dark joggers or leggings throughout the day. Primary 4-7 and the Sunshine class should continue to wear their PE clothes to school on PE days, a different approach will be taken from the lower school when they return to KPS.

Is the building work still on track for the P4&5 to return to KPS by the end of November?

Building works are still on track for the p4&5s to be in this term.

Relationships, sexual health and parenthood education

This curriculum is taught to pupils later on in the school year, so the pupils are able to build trust with their teacher and be confident to learn and ask questions. Parents will have access to the curriculum to see what is being taught.

School photos

School photos may go ahead once all of the pupils are back in KPS.

Upcoming events

World Diabetes Day – November 14th (more information will be provided from the school)

Children in need – 17th November

Christmas Fayre

- Second Friday in December
- West Lothian foodbank toy swap staff
- Christmas Jumper swap shop
- Tombola (donations welcome)
- Will advertise for other stall holders
- Pupils will get a chance to make decorations etc in class to sell at the stalls for low cost

Parent council/PSA meetings

We understand that not everyone can attend meetings in the morning, once the PC & PSA is set up, we can look at having meetings at different times to allow everyone a chance to attend. You do not have to attend every single meeting and can be involved in either PC or PSA or both.

A questionnaire/survey will be sent out for anyone to put in their interest in joining the parent council and/or PSA and everyone will have the option to put their name forward for a role if interested.

And finally, the school office can help out with PVGs for those wishing the help out at PTS events or school trips.