**New Dundee Public School - School Council Meeting   
May 17th 2021 - 5:30pm to 6:15pm**

**Attendance:**   
Ms. Brown (Principal), Mike H (chair), Angie H, Rebecca B, Darlene R, Lynn R, Clare B, Andrea B

**Financial Report:**

Council requested an update at the next meeting.

**Grant Report:**

FLIP Give - Andrea provided the report that $573 was raised by this initiative. Request was made by council to re share this link with the parent community re: School Day. Are you wondering how you can support the school with your everyday shopping?

<https://www.flipgive.com/teams/214108-new-dundee-ps>

**Principals Report:**

**Katie Brown Introduction:** Ms. Brown started the meeting with an introduction and shared her enjoyment of getting to know our children via her time spent in each virtual classroom.

**1. Community Garden:** With great enthusiasm Staff and Council are thrilled that the community garden at the school will continue this year. Staff will be completing the planting and the parent community is being asked to sign up for a week to water, weed and maintain the gardens. Covid protocols will be in place and will be communicated shortly. Please sign up in this link if you are interested in a specific week during the coming months. <https://forms.gle/PyogegsP8ZSmSzC58>

**2. Dragon Run**: With continued pride Mr. Mac will be continuing the traditional Dragon Run. Stay tuned for more details coming via school day on how this will be taking place.

**3. Welcome to Kindergarten**: At this point we are welcoming 20 new Kindergarten students. Please continue to let new community members know to reach out to the school as soon as possible if they have a kindergarten aged child for registration. June 2nd from 6pm to 6:30pm will be a virtual Kindie night.

**4. Community Events:** Council and staff are thrilled to bring a virtual magic show for the whole school. The community event will be funded with a combination of school funds and funds raised by the parent council. This event will be held in the evening. Our hope is to bring families and the community together to see some familiar faces and unite the family and school community for an evening of fun! Stay tuned for a confirmed date. Possible dates: June 1, 8, 10, 16, 18. Have a sneak peek at what we can expect. Video: [**https://vimeo.com/497433025**](https://vimeo.com/497433025)

**5. Washroom renovation**: The school will be designating the bathroom outside of the gym as an everyone washroom. This will accommodate our students who are LBGTQAI2S. The school will also be seeing a small renovation of the washroom on the lower level.

**6. Office Improvements:** There will be some minor changes to the office for IT storage.

**7. Grade 6 Celebration**: The school will be doing a virtual celebration the same as last year. The school boards full statement on this is here:<https://www.wrdsb.ca/blog/2021/03/16/wrdsb-graduation-celebration-update/>

**8. Transition to Sir Adam Beck:** Due to cohorts several previous New Dundee students and parents have reported concerns with the transition of New Dundee students now at Sir Adam Beck. Parent council requested extra support for New Dundee students to have more New Dundee peers to allow for improved success in their transition to Sir Adam Beck.

**9. Summer Bridging**: Parent council requested comments from staff on the idea to extend online education licenses to support children during the summer. For example access to math or reading resources the children have been using during the school year.

**10. Staff support:** Traditionally parent council requests information from staff as to what class rooms may need for resources such as chromebooks etcetera. Ms. Brown will follow up with further details. At this point students learning from home who needed devices have one from the school. The schools supply of devices is excellent at this time.

**Do you have a topic you would like added to the next council meeting?**

Send your request to [katie\_brown@wrdsb.ca](mailto:katie_brown@wrdsb.ca)

**Upcoming dates**:

**Monday May 24**--Victoria Day, no school

**Wednesday May 26**--Kindergarten team is gardening, filling our raised beds!

**Wednesday June 2**, Question and Answer virtual session for “New to Kindergarten” families, 6-6:30 pm

**Friday June 4**--P.A. day for Reporting purposes

**Thursday June 24**--Grade 6 virtual Celebration

**Katie Brown**

**Principal**

**New Dundee PS**