



Winchburgh Academy

Parent-carer partnership

Parent council meeting

Wednesday 4th March 2026

Attendance: J. Mitchell, C. Kerr, L. Ross, J. Baker, N. Alexander, A. Murdoch

In attendance: S. Parry

Apologies: L Pacitti, W. Irvine, J. Barrett

Meeting start: 6.20pm.

1. Previous minutes

Previous minutes adopted.

Previous actions: Notice board has been erected.

2. Fundraising

A separate fundraising committee has been formed.

20th April: Sponsored litter-picking event planned, with approx 120 S1 and S2 pupils participating.

Aileen will attend an S1 and S2 assembly to distribute sponsorship forms.

The fundraising committee will explore additional fundraising opportunities.

3. Treasurer update

Current balance: **£2,765.65** in the PCP account. Remaining funds from the Winter Fair raffle are to be banked.

Awaiting Asda grant funds to be received. The school has contacted Tesco regarding a similar grant opportunity.



The committee will explore options for switching bank accounts to eliminate business charges.

4. Headteacher / Deputy head update

General

- The careers fair was well attended, and the school received positive feedback.
- S2 parents attended a feedback session on **Tuesday 27 February**.
- S3 parents received full reports on **Friday 30 January**.

Upcoming event:

- 5th Match – curriculum info evening (S2, S3 & S4)
- 10th Match – S3 feedback appointments
- 10th March – Qualification Scotland visit
- 16th March – S3 into S4 & S4 into S5 pathways interviews
- 23rd April – 29th May – Qualification Scotland exam diet

West Lothian Council Continues Improvement Activities:

Key feedback:

- Senior leadership team has a clear vision of its core purpose
- The school has a shared understanding of its values and aims.
- The curriculum model provides a wide range of opportunities and experiences
- There is a clear commitment to skills development

Catchment Areas

- Proposed changes to catchment areas in West Lothian have been shared with parents/carers.
- Further information and engagement events will follow.

5. AOCB

Emergency policy:

Mr Mitchell confirmed that appropriate policies and procedures are in place.

The school can share the emergency plan on request and undertakes regular safety and security audits.



Uniform:

Mr Mitchell advised that there is a proposal to revert to formal uniform for S4, S5 and S6 from August 2026.

J. Mitchell expressed thanks for all support provided to the school and to L. Ross for chairing the meeting.

Meeting closed: 7:40pm

Next meeting (proposed): 20 May 2026