

Notice of meeting and agenda

Education, Children and Families Committee

10.00 am Tuesday, 23rd January, 2024

Dean of Guild Court Room - City Chambers

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1. Order of Business

- 1.1 Including any notices of motion and any other items of business submitted as urgent for consideration at the meeting.

2. Declaration of Interests

- 2.1 Members should declare any financial and non-financial interests they have in the items of business for consideration, identifying the relevant agenda item and the nature of their interest.

3. Deputations

- 3.1 If any

4. Minutes

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9. Motions

9.1	Motion by Councillor Griffiths – Congratulatory Motion, Oaklands School Awarded Scottish School of the Year 2023 at the Scottish Sport Awards	
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“Committee:

1. Congratulates Oaklands School on being awarded Scottish School of the Year 2023 at this year’s Scottish Sports Awards;
2. Notes pupils at Oaklands have complex medical and care needs as well as additional educational support needs and praises the school’s attitude towards sport ensuring all pupils can access sport no matter their disability;
3. Understands Oaklands School’s PE department work in partnership with various organisations such as Active Schools, local sporting providers, Blaze Basketball and Scottish Rugby to ensure a wide range of activities can be offered to the pupils and offers all pupils access to rebound therapy which has proven to work successfully for the pupils;
4. Acknowledges the school and pupils have seen a huge impact in both the mental and physical health of the pupils partaking in the variety of sporting activities offered to them;
5. Commends the school’s passion for sport and physical activity with the school offering pupils a ‘Sports Week’ instead of a sports day, allowing everyone the opportunity to participate at their own pace and level;
6. Applauds Oakland’s school for this fantastic achievement and wishes them all the best going forward with their great work”

Nick Smith

Service Director, Legal and Assurance

Committee Members

Councillor Joan Griffiths (Convener), Councillor Steve Burgess, Councillor Christopher Cowdy, Councillor Euan Davidson, Councillor Margaret Arma Graham, Councillor Tim

Jones, Councillor Simita Kumar, Councillor Euan Hyslop, Councillor Fiona Glasgow, Councillor Kayleigh O'Neill, Councillor Louise Young

Added Members for Education Items (non-voting)

Angela Campbell, Ruhy Parris and Fiona Beveridge

Parent/Carer Representatives (non-voting)

Alex Ramage - Secondary Sector parent/carers representative

Sara Collins / Louise Collingwood - Primary Sector parent/carers representative

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