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Report for CCWP

December 2019

- 1. <u>Membership Support</u>: We continue to run our popular Information Sessions, both face to face and online. They are open to all parents in the City watch our website and Facebook page for upcoming events.
- 2. Partnership Schools: This is the final year of the PSS pilot and so our focus is on gathering case studies from those school communities. We have also commissioned the University of Stirling to undertake research which will look at the impact of parental engagement in schools which are punching above their weight. Unfortunately no Edinburgh schools are currently working with us on the programme. We are working on the Year 4 Report for publication before the end of the year.
- 3. <u>Professional Learning</u>: We are extending our professional learning modules and we have received Education Scotland endorsement for our Evaluation module: all modules aim to strengthen practice in schools and nurseries and have a positive impact on all families and children. Work is underway on creating a new professional learning programme on the topic of overcoming challenges through teacher enquiry.
- 4. AGM and lecture: our AGM and lecture in 2020 will take place at the Glasgow Royal Concert Hall on 26 March and will be on the theme of supporting young people's mental health with two schools giving presentations on their work on this. Tickets are free, and will be available early December, please check our website and social media. We are always keen to hear from education professionals and parents who would like to join the Board as charity trustees.
- 5. <u>Parent Surveys:</u> We have a live survey on parent awareness of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, and the report on our out of school care survey will be published shortly. We will publish the findings of our survey on how school communities work together to support mental health in the New Year.
- 6. <u>Consultations</u>: We will submit responses to the GTCS's review of professional standards and professional code for teachers and Johann Lamont MSP's Disabled Children and Young People (Transitions) Members Bill.
- 7. <u>Draft Disclosure/PVG Bill</u>: We appeared before the Scottish Parliament's Education and Skills Committee to give evidence on how the proposed changes may affect parent groups.
- 8. <u>Scottish Government:</u> We are currently involved in the Government's National Action Plan on Parental Involvement and Engagement Steering Group, National Working Group on Guidance, Training and Support Materials Parental Involvement and Engagement, Volunteering in Schools National Working Group, and Learning Together National Network.

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