

JULY 2020

END OF ACADEMIC YEAR 19/20

BAPC NEWS

KEEP IN TOUCH -
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WELL DONE one & all. Let's face it lockdown and homeschooling was a challenge. Whether they covered every piece of work set or it was a challenge to simply sit and concentrate for more than 5 minutes, we say well done to you all.

As the summer holidays kick-off, hopefully we can all look back and celebrate precious moments together too.

To our teachers & staff who have worked so very hard to support our pupils during challenging times, we say a huge **THANK YOU**.

Stay well and we wish you a fantastic well deserved break.



LOCK-DOWN STARS

We loved seeing and hearing what you (and the teachers) got up to during lock-down. From creative projects at home and outdoors, to incredible fundraising projects and supporting the community. Well done and thank you to you all.

Keep reading for more star details!



As the last clap for our amazing NHS Carers took place on 5 July, we also recognise and **THANK** our:

School teams
Community carers
Refuse and recycling workers
Post-workers
Pharmacy teams
Farmers
Supermarket and food suppliers
All key workers
Brilliant community
Fundraisers
Volunteers
Pupils



THINKING OF OUR SCHOOL LEAVERS

No summer term meant many pupils left school, or a key stage of it, without opportunity to celebrate. We say **WELL DONE** for all your hard work and we wish you great happiness and success on the next part of your journey.

HUGE thanks to the wonderful **PIECE** in Aberfeldy Square who are supporting the parent council in offering these leavers a sweet treat!

What a community!

Well done to ALL the pupils who made gorgeous cards, bookmarks and notes for Feldy-Roo. And we say a huge Well done and Thank You to Scott Logan, Aidan and Nathan Campbell, Breagh MacPherson, Rebecca Price, Chloe Dow, Christopher Weaver, Ollie and Harry Wilson and Megan and Isla Fletcher for their community work



SCOTT LOGAN, AIDAN AND NATHAN CAMPBELL ON A FELDY-ROO RUN (ABOVE)

CARA DUFF WITH THE REPLY TO HER WORD-SEARCH FROM A FELDY-ROO CUSTOMER



CHLOE SERENADES DALWEEM RESIDENTS (ABOVE)

ISAAC AND JOE VOLUNTEER WITH TAY VALLEY TIMEBANK TO WALK A LOCAL FAMILY'S DOG



Our brilliant singing teachers check-in! See the school's Facebook page if you have not viewed this yet.

RETURN TO SCHOOL - AUGUST 2020

The parent council hosted a virtual meeting on Tuesday 23 June where by no surprise the **return to school** was the main topic on our minds. It was great to have over 50 of you in attendance and many of you have told us that a virtual format would certainly make attending future meetings easier.

Thanks to all of you that submitted questions in advance, and posed questions during the meeting. Topics covered included school-day logistics, PPE, curriculum and standards (including progress tracking), uniform, full-time return, blended learning, track & trace, well-being and extra-curricular.

Where possible these questions were answered by John Devine, Headteacher and key personnel Rhona Munro, Karen Gatehouse, Lorna Librerl, Vicky Marshall and Donna Jenkins. We welcomed Rhona as school business manager, having only joined Breadalbane Academy in February this year.

We all recognised the fantastic efforts of the school team in navigating Breadalbane Academy during challenging and uncertain times. We acknowledged that whilst huge planning had been undertaken to prepare for a return to school, further guidance from central and local government was still required in order to answer all questions posed.

WE KNOW

It is proposed that all Perth & Kinross schools will operate a phased return to school from August 12th and operate on a FULL-TIME (FT) model. These arrangements will only change if the Deputy First Minister's announcement scheduled for the 30th July indicates that a FT approach is not possible. The school and local authority are still awaiting further guidance from the Scottish Government about public health precautions that schools will be required to put in place, whilst managing a FT model.

You will also have received communication about the contingency Plan B approach - Blended Learning. Planning for this approach was hugely complex with schools working to a detailed 39-page guidance document from the SG. We again offer thanks to the school team for their huge efforts to deliver a robust plan in a relatively short period of time. The school is fully prepared for this should it be called upon.

COMMUNICATION

We THANK the school for doing a fantastic job at keeping parents, carers and pupils updated. We know that they have acted as soon as they have been in a position to do so.

Communications are held at the school website.

<https://www.breadalbane.pkc.sch.uk/coronavirus/communication-for-parents/>

Minutes of the meeting will shortly be made available but responses to questions asked have been covered within recent school communications. Do email us if you still have a specific query and you can keep in touch via our Facebook page.

B.A. PUPIL FUNDRAISERS

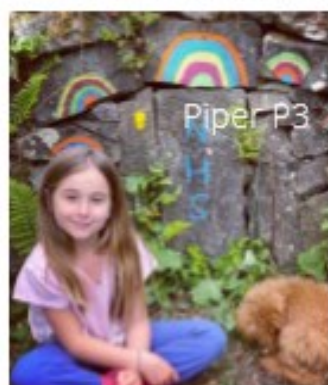
JACK DIMMOCK (GME P5) & DAMIEN HUGHES(P5) RAISED £1,250 AND £700 RESPECTIVELY FOR THE BIRKS CINEMA CYCLING, WALKING OR RUNNING 2.6 MILES FOR 26 DAYS



Just incredible!

Josh Moran (aged 16) from Aberfeldy has been awarded the **Scottish Young Champion of the Year** award by Macmillan Cancer as his book 'Rosie the Lamb' has totalled over £8,500 for the charity.

B.A. Worker bees & Adventurers



Piper P3



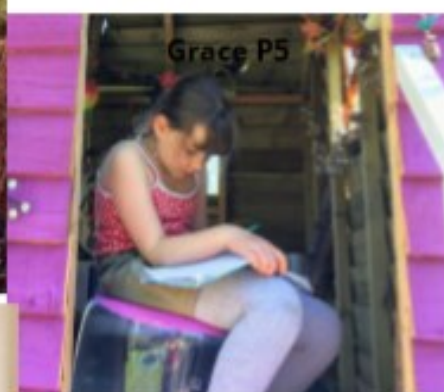
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GME
P2



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Grace P5



Merida P5



Kenzie S3



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P6



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Happy Holidays!

FROM BREADALBANE ACADEMY
PARENT COUNCIL

