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Breadalbane Academy
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Meeting:	Breadalbane Academy Parent Council (BAPC)	
Date & Time:	Wednesday 20 th November 2019, 6:30pm	
Location:	Breadalbane Academy Community Campus	
Attendance:	J.Devine (JD), V.Marshall (VM), A.Seward, L.Librieri (LL), L.Hurley (LH), LHughes (LHu), Cllr J.Duff, GC, CD, RB, A.Pointer, J.Storstein MW, LM, EMcDougall	Action
Apologies:	K.Wright, E.Laurie, S.Smyth, J.Carmichael	
1)	<p>L. Hurley (LH) welcomed the room and thanked all for coming, specifically too Elaine Finnie (EL) from Perth Autism Support (PAS).</p> <p>Apologies had been received.</p> <p><u>Previous Minutes</u></p> <p>Taken as read and approved.</p> <p>Further discussion to be had during meeting on outstanding actions.</p>	LH
2)	<p><u>Perth Autism Support</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EF introduced the work of PAS and explained that she had joined the meeting to raise awareness to school families that have children with autism support needs. At present there are over 800 registered families with PAS. - EF said the group sought to raise awareness to maintain critical access to funding. - At present, PAS offers activities such as tasks to improve motor skills e.g. cooking, sports, craft etc. There is a maximum of 12 children at each session with a ratio of one adult to two young persons. - EF to seek help from local employers to see if anyone or any business is willing to help. - All training sessions are well attended. Extended services for training – books and resources are available in local libraries. - More plans to do sessions at Breadalbane and EF is looking for volunteers on a Tuesday evening for an hour. Pupils have been asked however looking to seek public volunteers for experienced adults. - LHughes asked for books for Breadalbane library. - LH to post about P.A.S on the PC Facebook page. 	
3)	<p><u>Headteacher Report</u></p> <p>Staffing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staffing updates were provided by JD: - M. McLeod no longer at Breadalbane however L. Charnley appointed. - Rhona Munro appointed to replace J. Macluskey as Business Manager. - LL had replaced T. Woodcock provisionally as DHT Improvement due to a secondment to PKC education services. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interviews for M. Simmons took place 20/11/19 – outcome to be announced soon. - S. Leighton replacing L. Third in school office. - JD updated PC on Nursery inspection on 29/10. Despite difficulties due to staffing and expansion, inspection outcome positive. - BA shortlisted for first aid award ceremony at Glasgow Hilton Hotel. 	
4)	<p><u>Estates Review</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LH and JD gave brief update on Estates Review and timeline. LH explained a number of meetings had been held and still in process so will cover more at January BAPC meeting and communications to parent body. - Agreed positive to be discussing the Highland Perthshire Learning Partnership (HPLP) proposal with all relevant stakeholders in the room, i.e. SMT of both schools, parent councils, education and children services and PHI hub. Good discussion to update and beginnings of a proposal but tangible actions to be developed (for short/mid and long-term gain) 	LH
5)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Transition and enhanced collaboration, digital learning and a Perth college hub at Pitlochry are the key focus of the HPLP. - E.McDougall asked when BAPC could share the developed plan – in advance of it going to LLLC for approval. LH to ask - AP stated that the Estates Review is still fundamentally flawed and questionable. He asked whether transport was being considered as this had been highlighted as key to the communities, time and time again. LH confirmed it had been raised at meetings and was being discussed as part of transition. AP raised that the transport issue went wider than that (access to the campus for all at all times). - JD shared concerns of burden of cost of transport – it is hoped that PKC supports further. - J.Duff reaffirmed that it has been stated that nothing will go ahead or be accepted if considered detrimental to the educational offering. - Digital literacy plans to be discussed at next HPLP meeting on 12 December 2019. 	
6)	<p><u>SQA Results</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LL gave presentation on measures of success. - Positive Destination figures to be shared February 2020. - Positive trend for Level 4 & 5 for literacy and numeracy. - Particularly looking at S3 to establish any 'at risk' pupils. - JD set-out tariff scoring. - 2017 was exceptionally high with numeracy and literacy. Departments to look at grades achieved – they track this annually. - LL explained the process of overviews with departments and how to put support in place to build certain skills. 	

7)	<p><u>Anti-Bullying Week</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JD discussed PKC anti-bullying strategy and guidance which was last reviewed / launched in 2013 and is under review. - He noted: - Regular staff training takes place to ensure teachers have the skills to recognise and respond to bullying. - JD explained the appropriate actions for schools regarding bullying. - There is a pupil-led anti-bullying display in campus street. - PIVATOL Inset training on 15/11/19 – all staff attended. - JD noted most issues arise during less supervised times e.g. during lunchtime and break. - Registration teachers and guidance are key teachers that remain the same throughout secondary, they are often informed of pupil issues. - JD covered dealing with bullying complaints and the steps involved to ensure they're dealt with accordingly. - Social media incidents becoming too common over weekends and during holidays and this can be difficult to manage. - JD suggested PC group becoming involved with bullying – LG asked if anyone in group would like to get involved. PC to shape more in future meetings. - J. Storstein asked for current racism policy as her child had heard upsetting racist remarks towards other classmates. - Parents asked about confidentiality as worry about betraying trust by going to SMT. - AP brought up that some forms of bullying are illegal and how do BA monitor this. JS confirmed that such incidents will be escalated to the police. - JD and LH to have follow up conversation regarding PC and anti-bullying workgroup. - EM asked about mobile phone policy within BA – JD said full policy is on website. 	JD/LH
8)	<p><u>Road Safety Week</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cardboard policeman placed outside campus. - Jane no longer crossing guard – post advertised. - Police hopefully to come in and deliver talks with the Primary regarding road safety. KG liaising with officers. - LH asked about speed sign to go outside school/in carpark. JD stated that this had been investigated further and was too expensive therefore the school would not be able to fund this, and instead the council should. - AP asked for 10mph rather than 20 as 20 is too fast. 	
9)	<p><u>Fundraising</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion regarding Primary playground progress and anticipated funds for Phase 2 (application to SSE community fund). - Workshop to design signage for the container with BA values. - ASN – Thrift shop raised over £1000. - ASN Youth Club costing £6000 – LAL to help fundraise. - Birks Christmas party 1st December – to be advertised to Primary pupils. <p>A Pointer asked about GME. LG stated no further GME updates. AP thanked SMT for appointing GME teacher.</p>	

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