

Meeting:	Breadalbane Academy Parent Council (BAPC)
Date & Time:	Wednesday 27th April 2022 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Location:	Hybrid meeting. In person at Breadalbane campus – Online via Zoom
Attendance:	Jane Carmichael (JC), Jill Watson, Karl Wright (Vice-Chair), Jason O'Flynn (Chair), Gill Steele (Secretary), El Laurie, Steven Hunt, , Shannon Mullholland (Treasurer), Andy Pointer (AP), Clare Ramsay, Rona , Karen MacKay (KM), Jess Pepper (JP), Libby Hughes, Daile Kolesinskie, John Devine (JD), Kelly Leighton (KL) – 17 Attendees
Apologies:	Anna Brocklehurst, Cllr John Duff

Item	Action
1. <u>Welcome, introductions and Apologies</u>	
2. <u>Matters Arising from the March 2022 Meeting</u> - None	
3. <u>Minutes of the March 2022 Meeting - LINK TO MINUTES</u> Approved	
4. <u>Headteachers Report</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staffing Update - Business Manager post – Kelly Leighton currently acting. Interviews: Wed 5th May - Gaelic posts – primary and secondary - Mr Poole: phasing back in over a few weeks (thanks to Mrs Menzies) - Additional funded COVID Recovery post for attendance renewed. - Primary staffing standard now recognises need for additional management time in the primary. (Still a case to be made for Gaelic management whole school) - Additional Covid recovery funding – attendance monitoring person/ Care & Welfare officer renewed for another year. This is Kirsten McClelland. - Ukraine - Two imminent enrolments in primary. Will discuss more later. - Post-COVID - Easing of restrictions – in-school mitigations, trips, assemblies etc - will speak to pupils about this at assembly on Monday. - Opening up – primary celebration of success, prizegiving; school show; hosting pupil voice conference for all PKC secondaries - Readjustments – social and emotional – behaviour, attendance. - JC- asked Covid recovery money what has happened to the funding? - JD some has not been continued. Pupil support teacher Mr Ritchie in Secondary post will not be continued, funding not renewed. Support for learning and support staffing, had more money added. General discussion around this. - JP Dunkeld primary applied directly to post-covid funding on behalf of the school - JO asked if there is any additional post-covid funding? - JD there is additional funding (mentioned above) for the Care & Welfare Officer. <p>Action: JD will find out if one of the Lifelink Councillor post has been appointed.</p> <p><i>Response supplied after the PC meeting from John Devine - The current Lifelink counsellor finished with us at the end of last term. They hope to have a new person in place next week. Unfortunately, as it has not been possible to recruit locally, as a stop gap a member of staff from Aberdeen will provide virtual meeting time for pupils).</i></p>	JD

Item		Action
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SQA Examinations - First exam today. Huge logistical effort. We hope pupils are prepared. Have briefed them and parents. SQA tile on website. - New timetable - Another huge logistical effort! Begins on Tuesday. Small tweak to times of school day to allow for an extended registration on Fridays. 	
5.	<p><u>Update on anti-bullying survey</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JC The Parent Council want to put out a survey to find out from parents/carers what they think is happening. Query about how to circulate it. - JD Mrs Rennie (Educational psychologist) will look at it before Friday 6th May, meeting of the closed working group on this issue. - JD Noted that the recent data from the PKC Health & Wellbeing survey BA are very much alike to rest of PKC. However, in answer to the question asked of young people, <i>'Does it make a difference if you approach people'</i> PKC response was usually 15% with <i>'makes it worse'</i>, in BA no young people selected that option. - JD - Sharon Johnson PKC Head of Education – updated JD that PKC will re-new their anti-bullying policy. - KW requested Timelines for this - JO Noted that PKC will need to consult with parents - JC Current definition is too broad - KM Offered a 'Read it' strategy at the library books around bullying. - JP – Raised the buses, where bullying has been an issue. Should someone from the surrounding communities, across the school community attend? <p>Minuted: If there are any issues with bullying on the buses please raise it with John Devine directly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JC – Welcomed any parent or carer to join the Anti-bullying group. 	
6.	<p><u>Funding for the Calum Ryder Memorial Cup</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - KW - PC asked the workshop to develop a memorial cup, working on proposals. Budget £100 - £150. We will share these with the PC once done 	
7.	<p><u>Update on preparations to welcome Ukrainian refugees</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JD – Shared the number of families, offered a place at BA, potentially 100 families. BA has to date received forms for 2 children. PKC have supplied a list of 20 young people mainly primary but some Secondary. - Hosts please contact the school directly. Enrolments can't be done online, they should be done in person in the schools. They are also able to do a placing request. - LINK TO PKC SUPPORT PAGE https://www.pkc.gov.uk/ukrainianrefugees - JD - Named person to contact would be Karen Gatehouse & Vicky Marshall - KW – Any further services or thoughts on English as a second language. - JD – Welfare rights team also available. Patricia Davenport – English as a second language Team is available. Deficit in Ukrainian speakers. PKC offer an immersion approach to English, with 2 hours a week 1 to 1. - JD - Health Wellbeing – hasn't been explored, trauma of coming from a country at War, it will probably be led by the Educational Psychologist. - KW – Timeline for this? - JD – None - KW – Any ways that PC can help? - JD – A welcoming event for new families run by the PC? - Agreed <p>Action: Parent Council to organise a welcome event for new families</p>	Parent Council

Item		Action
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EL- the P7 will do a bake sale/fundraising at the Primary play. - KW – AB would the PC provide welcome pack. Rucksacks, stationary etc - Agreed <i>Action: Parent Council and school to provide a welcome pack</i> - KL – School can contribute too. Ties, stationary etc - KW – New children needed buddies, so if you have kids that are the same age would parents meet up with new children to provide a welcome. Sign up sheet in the meeting 	<i>Parent Council & School</i>
8.	<p><u>Pets as Therapy Dog - PAT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rona – Therapy Dog Newfoundland has been certified under ‘Read to a dog scheme’. Floated the idea with Vicky Marshall. Benefits of this, research shows kids nervous reading to people but not dogs. Teachers identify which children would need it most. Parental consent would have to be given, short weekly sessions, regularly. PAT has been around since 2011, reduces stress with a non-judgemental listener. Breadalbane would need to register with PAT through the website. Looking for a contact with Health & Wellbeing Group. - JO – Already a therapist in the school in Secondary. - R – Explained that it’s been difficult to contact the school. - JO – Suggested that Rona come along to the Health & Wellbeing group meeting. - Rona – There would be no cost for the school - General support in the meeting for PAT from parents 	
9.	<p><u>Question about the Scottish Government Coronavirus (COVID-19): Advisory Sub-Group on Education and Children's Issues - children, schools, early learning and childcare settings - evidence summary</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AP – PC to be made aware that the ASGECI Report that was published last month. Adverse impact on children’s Health & Wellbeing. Needs to be discussed by the PC. Everything needs to be discussed openly. Need to send a strong message to the Politicians and Councillors. Need a focussed meeting on this in the new school year. Separate meeting (Sept 2022) about lessons learned and on the basis of the report. - Invite the MSPs & Councillors, JD not to attend as it’s not something he has influence over. Investigate potentially hold this in a peripatetic meeting 	
10.	<p><u>Treasurers Report</u></p> <p><i>Action: Karl & Shannon to sort out the signatories with Bank of Scotland online business banking</i></p>	<i>SM & KW</i>
11.	<p><u>Update on Friends of Breadalbane</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EL will be Chair, Karen WB as Secretary, Jane Carmichael (ex-officio member) and Treasurer Shannon (hopefully). Putting all members through child protection courses. <i>Action: A meeting at the start of the year. Diary 3rd week of the new school year.</i> - JD – Suggested PC funding could support the Breadalbane Guarantee with funding. <i>Parent Council to request a meeting with the SMT at the start of the 2022/23 school year, to agree in advance things such as what activities the PC and school can plan in advance to work and fund together, the mechanics of that, how kids should be involved etc.</i> 	<i>Parent Council</i>
12.	<p><u>Update on planned sports hub for kids with ASN</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ASN hub is being setup with Disability sport Scotland. Rugby first activity happening at the Rugby club, 4 weeks taster sessions. Running on Sunday. Then Tennis at the Tennis Club, Bowling after that. Free to all participants, Grants pay for the coaching. Available for children and Adults. Clubs will be responsible for their own activities. <i>Action: KL will share it on school/campus SM if JC forwards links/post</i> 	<i>JC & KL</i>

Item		Action
13.	AOB - None	
14.	Time & date of next meeting Wednesday 25 May 2022 This will be a hybrid meeting so in person at the Campus and also via Zoom	

Actions

- *JD will find out if one of the Lifelink Councillor post has been appointed.*
- *Parent Council to organise a welcome event for new families*
- *Parent Council and school to provide a welcome pack*
- *Karl & Shannon to sort out the signatories with Bank of Scotland online business banking*
- *Diary 3rd week of the new school year - Parent Council to request a meeting with the SMT at the start of the 2022/23 school year, to agree in advance things such as what activities the PC and school can plan in advance to work and fund together, the mechanics of that, how kids should be involved etc.*
- *KL will share it on school/campus SM if JC forwards links/post*