

Meeting:	Breadalbane Academy Parent Council (BAPC) – Parents meeting
Date & Time:	Thurs 28th Sept 2023 6.30pm – 8.20pm
Location:	Hybrid meeting
Attendance:	Rob Stubbs (chair), Andrew Pointer, Jane Carmichael, John Devine (Head), Lorna Librari, Joel Watson, Vicky Marshall, Councillor John Duff, Mairi McAdam
Apologies:	Karl Wright, Xander McDade.

Item		Action
1.	<u>Welcome, introductions and Apologies.</u>	
2.	<u>Matters Arising from Aug 2023 meeting.</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breakfast club monies are hoped to be sourced via the co-op 'community partner' scheme, plus Friends' have been awarded 3 microgrants from local community councils (including Aberfeldy). Monies transfer to the school to cover the Breadalbane guarantee were discussed. <u>Post meeting note</u> - offline discussion ongoing around management of 'Friends' monies and its operation. Chair will update.	Chair
3.	<u>Funds request</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A request for funds from Marisa was approved (£60) 	
4.	<u>Head Teachers Report</u> <p>1. Staffing update</p> <p>Primary Intensive Support Provision – Post not filled following advertisement for permanent post. This has now been advertised as temporary only and we hope that interviews might take place next week.</p> <p>Primary 7 teacher – Ms Maree Grant will be leaving us to take up a post in Blairgowrie High School after the October holidays. This post has now been shortlisted and hopefully will be interviewed for next week.</p> <p>PT HE – Ms Bryony Campbell will return to this post on a part-time basis in October, moving back up to full-time by Christmas. Thanks to Ms Neilson and Ms Chamberlain for covering the PT Post and to Ms Jenkins for supporting in the department.</p> <p>Early Childhood Practitioner – one vacancy now in the nursery which is being advertised. This is being covered internally in the meantime.</p> <p>2. Attendance</p> <p>The school will continue to stress with parents the importance of maximising pupil attendance. We are also sharing year groups statistics on attendance at assemblies and are keen to impress upon young people the connection between good attendance and good academic performance.</p>	

	<p>3. Parental Communications Policy</p> <p>We aim to respond to all parent enquiries within 5 working days but will often respond much sooner. I would urge any parent who has not heard back within 5 days to contact the school again. I would also remind parents that urgent enquiries are best communicated by phoning or speaking to staff at reception. We will not always get communications right but parents letting us know where there has been a problem really helps us with quality assurance.</p>	
5.	<p><u>SQA Results</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LL gave a presentation on the latest SQA results. 	
6.	<p><u>Update from PKC Chairs meeting</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rob attended this meeting and mentioned a few items that were mentioned, but in most cases documents will be forthcoming from PKC and these will be shared with parents. There was discussion around ASN (Jane attended the ASN parent network meeting). Of note is that Breadalbane has approximately 40% of young people with some degree of additional support needs. It was raised that SQA failed to meet the needs of many young people with ASN; from the mode of teaching, to the method of examining. <p>- It should be noted that this is a national issue, and not specific to our school.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Update from National Parent Forum of Scotland (NPFS)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rob is now a rep for PKC on the NPFS, and advised that most information coming from them is shared via social media, and our Breadalbane Academy Facebook Group, so please follow this if you don't already. 	
8.	<p><u>Antibullying survey</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The parent survey results were briefly discussed, after the antibullying subteam had reviewed them last week. The results were broadly similar to previously, although the low completion rate made it hard to know if this was significant. The antibullying policy will be sent to all parents / carers as hard copy Pupils will also be surveyed to get their feedback. 	
9.	<p><u>AOB</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (no items) 	
10.	<p><u>Time & date of next parent council meeting</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next full meeting 6:30pm, Thursday 23rd Nov 	