

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope all Braes families are doing well just now. It is encouraging to see our young people continue to progress in their learning and take such a leading role in the life and work of our school. A great example of this has been the work of our Sports Leaders in the Sports Disability Scotland inclusion in sport week and the participation of so many of our young people. Please see an update on a number of other matters below:

December events

We have a number of events and activities taking place in December:

- Art Exhibition – Tuesday 5th December at 7pm. Entrance is free.
- Christmas Concert – Wednesday 6th December at 7pm. Tickets are available from school reception priced £3 each
- Senior Ceilidh – Tuesday 19th December. S4-6 pupils will receive information directly about this.
- Christmas Cup & Captain's Charity Day – Wednesday 20th December periods 1-4. S1-3 pupils will receive information directly about this. Pupils should still wear uniform on this day but can add to their uniform in a festive way, eg. jumpers, tinsel, hats etc.
- Staff Panto – Thursday 21st December periods 1-4. All pupils will receive information directly about this.
- Last Day of term – Friday 22nd December. School closes at lunchtime with buses collecting pupils at 12.30pm. This is a no uniform day with funds raised going to school funds.

Prop Pop Up Event

Our Prom Pop Up Event will take place on Monday 4th December during lunchtime for Senior pupils. This will allow pupils the opportunity to get items of clothing and accessories for both Prom and the Christmas Ceilidh. There will also be the opportunity for them to book hair and makeup appointments. If you have a young person in these year groups please encourage them to take advantage of this opportunity to reuse and recycle.

Our local community

The vast majority of Braes pupils represent themselves and their school well in the way they conduct themselves when out and about in the local community during lunchtimes and before and after school. However, we want to ensure our local area is as tidy as possible and we will continue to engage in community litter picks with our local Community Council. I would ask parents/carers that if you permit your young person(s) to go off site during lunchtime that they encourage them to use the many bins en route to local shop and takeaways to keep the local area litter free. Your support in this is greatly appreciated.

School Uniform

Almost all Braes young people wear appropriate school uniform daily. We have however seen a small increase in jogging trousers being worn to school by some young people and would respectfully remind pupils that these are not part of the expected uniform.

We would thank Braes parents/carers for your ongoing support of your young people and the school, and wish our senior pupils all the best in their forthcoming prelim examinations and assessments.

Yours faithfully,

Iain Livingstone

