Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back from Braes High Parent Council and a special welcome to all the parents/carers of new pupils. For those of you new to the school there are two parent bodies at Braes High, Friends at Braes (fundraising group) and the Parent Council. The role of the Parent Council is to represent parents and to help Braes High operate as a successful school. All parents/carers are welcome to join and get involved with the Parent Council at any time. The Parent Council has contributed to many aspects of the school and this has included,

- consulting on BGE Guides for parents
- liaising with and encouraging Pupil Council
- liaising and encouraging Digital Leaders
- engaging with staff on approaches to learning and teaching and professional learning
- engaging with staff and making recommendations on supporting pupils in dealing with ACEs
- discussing arrangements for parental overview of home learning
- sharing resources and input from NPFS
- sourcing a parent representative for Falkirk Council Appeals panels
- engaging with senior pupils on their SQA learning, teaching and assessment experiences
- discussing the Blended Learning model from March 2021
- discussing and informing reopening arrangements in August 2020 and in March/April 2021
- engaging on arrangements for virtual parents' evenings
- discussing arrangements for remote learning
- discussing pastoral and wellbeing supports available for young people
- engaging with PT Family Learning on resources available to support parents/carers learning with young people
- creating a new information section for the Parent Council on the school website
- discussing how parents/carers are supported in cancellation of overseas visits

The next meeting of the Parent Council, to which all parents/carers are invited, will be the Annual General Meeting (AGM) on,

Monday 6th September 2021, at 7pm via zoom

If you wish to attend the AGM please email <u>braeshigh.parentcouncil@gmail.com</u> so that the meeting link can be sent to you.

If you have any questions at all about becoming involved with the Parent Council please do not hesitate to ask, braeshigh.parentcouncil@gmail.com

Kind regards

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