

**BRAES HIGH SCHOOL**  
**Parent Council 2.6.25**

Present : K MacKinnon, M Taylor, J Ormsby, I Vosser, D Yeates, I Livingstone, E Wilkie

**1. Pupil Voice Group**

Aydin Coleman and Benjamin Roberts gave an engaging presentation on the idea from the Pupil Voice Group to help support inking P7 pupils with information sources and access to resources. Parent Council members were able to recommend specific areas where further information might be helpful, such as how extra-curricular activities are communicated and how to assess information about school day timings.

**2. STEM Leaders**

Aoife Kirk, Alice Ohlstenius, Fraser MacPherson and Euan Robertson updated Parent Council on their recent visit to Switzerland, to share practice with pupils and staff there about their STEM Leader role. Parent Council members thanked the pupils for their input which initiated discussion about different educational models.

**3. Class 98/Falkirk Council handover**

I Livingstone updated on progress with the handover of the school building from Class 98 to Falkirk Council with the following points among those noted :

- The building will move back in to Council ownership in August at the beginning of the new term
- Arrangements are in place for janitorial and catering services to be in place
- Facilities Management arrangements will also be in place and finalised shortly

**4. Parent Portal**

I Livingstone outlined the forthcoming introduction of Parent Portal to Falkirk Schools, noting that the portal will give parents/carers clearer access to timetables, attendance and other information about their young person's education. Further details will come to all parents/carers shortly.

**5. DHT Recruitment**

I Livingstone advised that an update on the recruitment of a replacement for Jillian Shaw as Depute Headteacher will be forthcoming.

**6. Dates for next academic year**

K MacKinnon advised that dates are set for next session's meeting and will be shared shortly.

**7. Parent Council Achievements for session 2026/26**

A poster outlining the varied achievements and contributions of the Parent Council was shared with the group. This will help form part of promotion around the Parent Council in the new session.