

Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been nice to see our young people back in school this week, making a positive start to the new session. In particular, it has been pleasing to see our new S1 pupils settle well, making new friends and coping well with the new school environment. We look forward to seeing all our pupils continue to progress throughout the year ahead. Please see an update on a number of matters below:

Friends at Braes AGM

Friends at Braes (FAB) is our parent-led fundraising group, and supports the school in many ways. In the last year alone, FAB has supported extra –curricular activities such as the Braes F1 Club, Jewellery Club, and our Braes Digital Leaders, whilst also providing funding for our 'Take what you Need' trolleys and outdoor furniture. FAB also run a very helpful uniform recycling programme. This is just a selection of FAB's support for the school and further information will come from the group as the term progresses. The Annual General Meeting takes place on Wednesday 24th August at 6.30pm. If you would like to attend the meeting, or find out more about FAB, please contact Chairperson Susan MacKinnon via the email address braeshigh.parentcouncil@gmail.com.

Parent Council AGM

Our Parent Council is also a very positive and supportive organisation, meeting regularly to facilitate discussion between pupils, parents/carers and staff about the school's ongoing activity and development. Last session saw our Parent Council contribute to school improvement planning, meet with members of our Pupil Council, support our Eco Leaders, School Captains and STEM Leaders, discuss SQA revision support arrangements and help inform the school's Family Learning programmes. The Annual General Meeting of the Parent Council takes place on Monday 5th September at 7pm. If you would like to attend the meeting or to find out more information please email Chairperson Heather McManus at braeshigh.parentcouncil@gmail.com.

We are grateful to parents/carers for their support in ensuring the vast majority of young people are wearing appropriate school uniform. We will continue to promote this with our young people to ensure the high standards for which Braes pupils are known are maintained. I wish all Braes families a pleasant weekend when it comes.

Yours faithfully,

Iain Livingstone