

Dear Parent/Carer,

This week has seen our young people continue to progress well in their studies and contribute to the wider life of the school. Maths Week has been very successful and it has been encouraging to see our young people participating in the lunchtime Interhouse activities focused on a range of mathematical and numeracy-based challenges. Please see an update on a number of matters below :

Latecoming

As a parent myself, I can understand that mornings can at times be fraught for families, with everyone getting ready for their day's activities ahead. However, we are of course keen to reduce the incidence of latecoming to school and are grateful to parents/carers for their support in ensuring young people arrive at school on time to be in their period 1 lesson immediately after the bell. We will continue to monitor situations where individual young people are regularly late, and work with families to support young people in being on time for school.

Friends at Braes

A well attended and productive meeting of Friends at Braes, our parent-led fundraising group, took place this week. Plans for a range of fundraising activities continue to develop and we look forward to the next meeting on Monday 7th November at 6.30pm. Any parent/carer who wishes to find out more about Friends at Braes, or attend the meeting, can email Chairperson Susan MacKinnon at friendsatbraeshigh@gmail.com.

Parent Council

The next meeting of our Parent Council takes place on Tuesday 4th October at 7pm in the school library. At this meeting our School Captains will be in attendance to talk about their leadership journeys as pupils in Braes High School and their plans for this school year.

Friday 7th October – Non Uniform Day

Friday 7th October will be a non uniform day for pupils, to raise funds to support school activities. We would ask that pupils participating in the non uniform day consider making a suggested donation of £1 to school funds, either in cash on the day, or via the school's Ipay system. The usual rules of not wearing football colours, inappropriate clothing or clothing with offensive slogans apply.

Strathcarron Hospice Charity Day

We plan to hold a charity fundraising day on Friday 28th October. Further details of this event, being arranged by our senior pupils, will be issued prior to that date.

October school break

The final day of this term is Friday 7th October, with school reopening on Monday 24th October.

I wish all Braes families well, and look forward to seeing our young people continue to be part of it here at Braes.

Yours faithfully,

Iain Livingstone