

Weekly Update 05/09/2025

Parent Council

Please come along to our first meeting of the **Parents' Voice** group of the new session in the High school on **Monday 15**th **September 6.30pm-7.30pm**. This is your chance to find out more about what is happening in your young one's school, ask questions or just listen, no pressure. Our first meeting of this session is in the school. Parent council is for all parents and carers who want to be involved.

What is the role of the Parent Council?

The Parent Council helps to create an environment where all parents know that their views matter, and where they feel confident and comfortable putting them forward. They work on behalf of all parents to discuss educational matters that are of importance to all. They do not get involved in individual circumstances relating to children or staff in the school.



Curriculum Evening for Parents - Reminder

We would like to welcome all our parents, carers and young people to our annual BGE (Broad General Education) Curriculum Evening on **Tuesday 9**th **September**, between **4.30pm and 6pm**. This focus is on the curriculum and work of S1, S2 and S3 pupils, but all are very welcome to come and see us.

Some of our new additional uniform items - the house colours t shirts that our pupils have been asking for - will be on display; The canteen will have samples of the food they serve to try; and the Senior Leadership Team and the Pastoral Care and Support teachers will be on hand.

Extra-Curricular activities at Brechin High School



| Club | Day/Time | Location |
|-------------------|---------------|----------|
| Minecraft Club | Monday Lunch | ICT 2 |
| Chess Club | Tuesday Lunch | ICT 2 |
| Young Carers Club | Thurs Lunch | G10 |

| Club | Day/Time | Location |
|------------------|---------------------------------|----------|
| Guitar Group | Speak to your music teacher for | G11 |
| String Orchestra | further information. | G10 |
| Brass Ensemble | | G11 |
| Singing Ensemble | | G11 |
| Singing Group | Tuesday Lunch | G10 |
| Chamber Ensemble | Monday Lunch | G10 |
| Drama Club | Thursday Lunch | G11 |





| Club | Day/Time | Location |
|------------------|------------------------|-----------|
| Senior netball | Monday after school | PE dept |
| Junior netball | Tuesday after school | PE dept |
| Table Tennis | Tuesday after school | Small gym |
| Girls football | Wednesday after school | Astro |
| Senior Badminton | Thursday after school | PE dept |
| Rugby | Friday 2-4pm | PE dept |
| Boys football | Friday after school | Astro |
| Girls Swimming | Friday 1.30-2.30 | PE dept |

As part of our senior leadership course, S5/6 pupils are planning to add further extra-curricular clubs – keep an eye on the Atrium notices screen.

Coming soon...

| Club | Day/time |
|-------------|------------------|
| Board Games | Monday Lunch |
| Maths Club | Tues Lunch |
| Lego Club | Wed Lunch |
| Climbing | Wed after school |



Attendance

Last week, we shared information about attendance and how this can impact on attainment in S4. Below you will find information about how attendance influenced attainment in S5/6 in 2024/25. As you can see below, lower attendance statistics lower the number of Higher passes that pupils can achieve. The higher a pupil's attendance, the more they are likely to reach their potential.

| | \$5 – \$QA Exams 2024/25 | \$6 – \$QA Exams 2024/25 |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Attendance (%) | Higher passes | Higher passes |
| 95-100 | 3.1 | 5.3 |
| <mark>90-95</mark> | 2.8 | 4.8 |
| 80-90 | 1.6 | 3 |
| 0-80 | 0.5 | 1.5 |

We hope that this provides you with some information about the importance of pupils attending school as much as they can. We understand that personal circumstances can result in poor attendance or regular late coming for your child and are sympathetic to this. If this is the case, please don't hesitate to contact us and we will work together with you in the best interest of your child. Some of the things we can do to support attendance include:

- ➤ Early identification from classroom teachers where attendance is having a detrimental impact on a pupil
- Regular tracking of attendance and proactive contact with pupils and parents (via phone call or letter) to support attendance
- > Tracking pupil wellbeing three times per year and having conversations with pupils that raise concerns
- Aiming to provide alternative curriculum options for pupils struggling to access all mainstream classes
- Enhanced planning and coordination of support for pupils struggling with attendance
- ➤ Working closely with the Local Authority to provide targeted support where appropriate
- > Termly attendance reports being sent to all parents

Reporting Absence

If you child is going to be absent it is important that we know. Please inform us by either:

- Calling the School Office on 01356237100 please leave a voicemail
- Emailing the school at: brechinhigh@angusschools.org.uk