

Kilmarnock Academy

Parent Council Meeting

2nd Oct 23

Atrium Hall, Kilmarnock Academy

| Agenda Item | Action |
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| 1. Welcome/Present and Apologies – Stephen Coyle | |
| SC welcomed everyone to the meeting. | |
| Attendees: Laura McChristie, Stephen Coyle, Jen Graham, Fiona Anderson, Aileen Baillie, Karen Paterson, Julie Connor, Robert Joseph, David Rose, Elaine Dykes, S Wright, Chris Hodge, Michelle, Cllr Graham Boyd, Cllr Maureen Mackay Apologies: Donna Rae, Carol MacInnes, Margaret Black | |
| 2. Maths Strategies and supports – Chris Hodge | |
| Maths resources – CH presented the group with his plan for maths resources. Pupils will have a tracker to fill out and the tracker will be shared with staff and parents. Links within the tracker to each topic with videos, skills, practice and exam questions. CH presented a few versions of the topic checklist and we discussed what version was preferred. Consensus was a brief version was preferred as pupils have indicated that was their preference. CH also ran through the revision topics in a spreadsheet and a sway document, and parent council members thought that the Sway was more visual and would have more appeal to pupils. | |
| 3. Raising Attainment, reviewing the school mentoring programme and review supported study – Chris Hodge | |
| Discussion around target grades and reviewing how these target grades are determined. The concern is that it is taking too long to put in place interventions to support due to number identified as needing intervention. There is a need to make the target dates more scientific and backed up by data and identify the pupils that intervention would benefit the most. The types of intervention and the impact/cost/evidence of each type of intervention was also discussed. | |
| Steering Group Update Stephen gave a brief update from the most recent steering group. | |
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| 5. SQA and Attainment Results 2023 | |
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| Mr Rose discussed the results in literacy and numeracy and advised they are strong overall against local and national comparators. He also discussed the data in closing the attainment gap which shows positive trends across the year groups. | |
| 6. AOCB | |
| Mr Rose advised that there is a French student visit this Friday which they are all looking forward to. He also confirmed it is Challenge poverty week and highlighted the financial improvement officer and the support the school can offer to parents Update on the fundraising - Fun run, children in need and Christmas Fayre Charities committee – looking for a parent member A query was raised about the Supported study camps, looking for update, Mr Rose there will be more information coming out soon. | PC members DR |
| Date of Next Meeting: Monday 6 th November 2023 | |
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