

# **Recognising & Celebrating Achievement**

#### Introduction

Barrhead High works hard to ensure each of our learners are successful, confident, exercise responsibility and contribute to the life of the school and our wider community as global citizens. By providing young people with a wide range of extra curricular opportunities young people develop their skills and confidence. Such opportunities help young people to identify and develop their personal skills and qualities which ultimately prepare them for life beyond school.

## **Promoting Achievement**

At the start of each new session a 'Fresher's Fair' will be held to advertise the wide range of clubs and sports on offer to young people. All S1 & S2 pupils are encouraged to sign-up for at least 3 clubs to allow them to try different activities before making final choices.

A list of clubs will be issued to all pupils and will be available to download from the school website.

Achievement Ambassadors will promote the importance and the benefits of participating in clubs and recognising achievement.

Senior pupils leading clubs will attend junior assemblies to promote leadership opportunities within clubs and encourage uptake.

Assemblies will be used to share information about activities for young people and to encourage uptake.

### **Arrangements for Recording Achievement**

On an annual basis we will undertake a whole school audit of the activities undertaken by young people including clubs, volunteering and work placements. This information will be used for different purposes, for example, to identify young people who are not involved in activities and to encourage uptake or to represent the school.

Young people will have opportunities to nominate their peers to be recognised for achievements via an achievement pro forma which can be obtained from a member of the pastoral team.

Saltire Ambassadors will raise the profile of the Scottish Governments Saltire Awards which recognise young people for volunteering. Pupils can obtain a copy of the pro forma to register for a Saltire Award from any member of the guidance team.

Each Faculty will have a lead person responsible for collating information on pupil of the month. Faculties will develop their own success criteria for such awards.

#### **Celebrating Achievement**

As a school we recognise the importance of using social media to share and celebrate pupil achievement. Using platforms such as Twitter, ERC Facebook, Parent Council Facebook, and the school website faculties will post regular updates celebrating pupil achievement.

We will continue to work with our local press including the Barrhead News to celebrate pupil achievement.

Each year group will have the opportunity to celebrate both academic and wider achievement during annual award ceremonies and the end of session 'Celebrating Success Evening'. Parents are invited to attend award ceremonies and the 'Showcase'.

Faculties are encouraged to celebrate achievement through faculty display boards. A whole school board will also be updated on a regular basis.

Article 29: All young people have the right to join a club or set up groups.

