

EASTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL AGM

WEDNESDAY 1ST JUNE 2022

CHAIR'S REPORT

The Parent Council continues to enjoy the support of the wider parent forum and we again welcomed several new members to the Parent Council in the current academic year.

At the start of the year, we welcomed Mrs Kate Sinclair as the new Acting Head Teacher, and despite the ongoing challenges of the Covid situation, I met with Kate in advance of the start of the new term. I would like to acknowledge all of the hard work and preparation put in by Kate over the summer last year in order that she was able to hit the ground running at the start of the academic year in August.

Members of the Parent Council were involved with the appointment of several Depute Heads, initially in a temporary capacity, and, later in the year, several of us were on the panel when interviews were held for the substantive Head Teacher post, for which Kate was successful, and thereafter in relation to the appointment of staff to substantive Depute Head posts. This completed the appointment of the new Senior Leadership Team. Parent Council has engaged with Kate and the new and existing Depute Head Teachers, helping to ensure a smooth transition for Eastwood to its next chapter under Kate's stewardship.

Throughout the academic year we have continued to meet in person where possible, although some dates had to be rescheduled due to varying restrictions at different times throughout the year.

Parent Council members have, throughout the year, represented Eastwood High Parent Council at the ERC wide Equalities Forum, Parent Council Chairs Forum, with Natalie McMillan, one of our parent council members also being the East Ren representative on the National Parent Forum for Scotland. Members have provided feedback in relation to consultations throughout the year by both Scottish Government and East Renfrewshire Council.

My thanks must go to all my fellow Parent Council members who have devoted their time, enthusiasm and commitment to support the school and Parent Council during the last year. Thank you.

Thanks also to Shona for acting as Clerk to the Parent Council, and for all her minute taking behind the scenes help and support.

A special thanks to Mrs Sinclair and all the Senior Management Team for guiding the school so well this year, for the many additional hours devoted to the school and for being so supportive to the Parent Council.

Finally, thanks to all the teaching and support staff for their hard work and commitment throughout the year.

James Meneely

Chair, Eastwood High School Parent Council