

Braehead Primary School Parent Council

Termly Newsletter



Festive Greetings to all our Parents and Carers

In response to our recent survey we have decided to provide a Termly Newsletter giving updates on our work so far. This will by no means replace any other sources of information but will serve to complement the options currently available and should hopefully assist as a little reminder as we progress through the school year. As you will have been in receipt of your Parent Council pack recently you should now be aware of our members and objectives, and also be able to remain abreast of our finances and spending. We always strive to take our direction from the school's needs but also work to address parental projects and fundraising. We hope that there is now some clarity in our role and always welcome help, support or new ideas for our projects and work supporting the school and Improvement Team. We also have our Facebook page which will have some updates to format during the festive break to ensure posts, transport updates and little reminders are more visible.

Projects

This term our focus has continued to be based around Playground Improvement. This need was identified by both School and Parents and was hugely welcomed by the children. If you haven't managed to visit the school so far the changes have made a great difference. Our children now have direct access from school grounds to the Moss via a gateway and bridge, kindly built and sited by Mr Brian Stafford, metal musical activities have been erected (Special thanks to BHC, Carnwath for this donation), flower beds weeded and even some covered for seating/work areas, football goals are now in situ, fences and shed are now painted beautiful colours, animal chalkboards are fence mounted and a netball hoop is available for daily play. In addition there is still work ongoing to provide multi activity playground markings. This has been funded by the Parent Council and some hard graft from a dedicated team of Mums and Dads. Thank you very much!

Funding

Our main fundraiser this term was the Ladies Night which was well supported by the local community making it a great success. Some great stall-holders provided some unique shopping opportunities and a fun night was had by all with a disco and fabulous raffle prizes and managed to raise an amazing £442.22.

We have also managed to secure or place in Forth Co-Op for the Community Grant Scheme. If you don't already have a Co-Op card then please get one, even just for the odd time you pop in, and select Braehead Primary School Parent Council as your local charity. This initiative runs until September 2019 and we will receive 1% from your shopping total and one third of the carrier bag charges at the end of the session. Well worth everyone's trip to the Co-Op and we hope this money will enable us to erect an outdoor classroom/multi use space for our children.

Other Initiatives

We continue to work alongside the school with; the School Improvement Team, Music provision within school and Road Safety. Elected Council representatives attend our meetings and we remain focussed on working with their help to improve Music provision and Road Safety objectives. Your support is always welcome as our projects are always aimed at benefitting all of the children of our school.

We hope you find this newsletter helpful and hope to see you at school events, fundraisers or even one of our meetings.

Merry Christmas to you all from Braehead Parent Council

Joanne Doherty Brown, Chairperson