**Bannockburn High School**

**Parent Council Meeting**

**Tuesday 16th May 2023**

**Present:**

Ed Toner, Linda Gillespie, Catriona Jack, Jane Fletcher, Elaine Lewis, Emma Lindsay, Mr Boyce and Mrs Karen Hook

**Apologies**: Laura Conroy

**Updates/Actions from previous meeting**

There were 3 other schools represented at the recent PC network. Some of the presentations included: Savings, cuts in early years, facilities, catering, cross patrols, access for disabilities.

It was noted that more placing requests are being refused due to capacity.

Mrs Hook advised that the school are putting on extra information evenings for P7 pupils.

It was agreed to keep promoting the school and celebrating success.

**Head Teacher Update**

It was noted that the recent master classes and community study sessions were well attended.

The Autism Provision will now be called Bluebell House. This will be a purpose built provision for 48 young people. Funding is not available for full provision and may be done in stages.

The school was recently praised on equity and additional support needs on a recent inspection regarding the curriculum.

There has been good feedback from pupils and leaders regarding the Skills afternoons. The pupils in S2 are asking for an element of choice. S3 have now all chosen 1 qualification for the whole year. Classes will be more structured so not as much moving around.

The school show will take place in June and the school are looking for volunteers. They require some help regarding costumes, help on the evenings at the shows, catering and front of house. This request will be shared on the Parent Council Facebook page.

A new focus group requires volunteers for 2 full days in the school. Mrs Hook will email the group regarding times. The 2 key areas are Learning & Teaching and Equity.

It was noted that this year there were a total of 96.2% of pupils leaving to a positive destination compared to 96.5% last year. It was suggested to share this information wider with Stirling Council to celebrate this.

Mr Boyce is waiting responses and availability regarding organising Health & Wellbeing evenings. Some suggestions for subjects were: Social Media, Anxiety, Teenage Behaviour and Sleep.

**AOCB**

The timetable has changed this week and the Seniors will change when they return from study leave.

It was suggested to send out some information regarding how to articulate the different levels on the pupil reports as benchmarks can be different for some areas.

It was noted that the school and the family of Mr Timmons are currently discussing a memorial or perhaps dedicating a section of the awards ceremony to him.

**Date and time of next meeting**

Tuesday 5th September 2023 at 6.30pm