

Grantown Grammar School Parent Council Newsletter!-June 2021

Welcome to our second and final newsletter of this year!

Our last meeting was held virtually on 25th May 2021 with great attendance. Several matters were discussed but with predominance on the current alternative assessment procedures and a look to recovery for the school after covid.

Remember, as a parent you are not alone. We are always listening and here to help and drive action. Parent Council is here to support you!

News and Activities

SQA/alternative assessment procedures

There has been much discussion directly with the school and with Highland Parent Council Partnership in relation to concerns and confusion over the alternative assessment procedures this year. The Parent Council have tried to help parents understand the procedures and have offered support and connection with the school where needed. It has been a very challenging situation for our children but also for parents and teachers. With the appeals procedure still to be finalised it is thought that the Parent Council will again be able to offer support to any parents who are concerned and unclear about the correct course of action. Please remember we are here to help and be a conduit between parents and the school. No question is ever silly and be assured at least one other person will be wanting to ask the same!

VABS Funding/Communities Recovery Fund

Great to report some good news! Successful applications enabled the Parent Council to receive for the school covid recovery packs for every pupil and funding for outdoor equipment aimed at afterschool activities to support our youngsters coming out of the current pandemic.

Other Funding Efforts

We are currently awaiting guidance from the school for spend on a local history project to benefit the pupils. The Parent Council agreed to fund up to £3000 for provision of the marquee and generators for the end of year outside celebrations but are looking also to local community groups for additional support.

Looking to next year we will be liaising with pupils and the school to support recovery post covid, with an eye on the School Improvement plan.

The Parent Council would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone- pupils, parents, teachers, and staff for all their hard work, perseverance, and positivity over the last year...what a year! Wishing everyone great fun at the end of term celebrations and a fantastic summer break!

Next meeting is **7th September 2021**. Please contact us with any queries to be raised or should you wish to join our meeting.

You can find us

By email grantown.grammar@highlandpc.co.uk.

On our Facebook page

Via the school direct or its website

Or in person! - Each of our members are very approachable for a quick chat and support when needed.