





# **Beath High School**

# **Parent Council**

The following people are the members of our Parent Council at the present time:

- Marianne Lethiers (Chair)
- Gillian McCaughie (Secretary)
- Judy Haddow
- Tisha Sutherland
- Sarah Ewart
- Joanne Duncan

The Council usually meets about six times per session and at the moment that is on a Monday evening.

The contact person for further Parent Council information is Marianne Lethiers and Gillian McCaughie.

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#### What is the Parent Council?

The Parent Council is a group of parents/carers who get together 5 or 6 times a year to look at how we can all collectively work together on improving the school.

#### What is the role of Parent Councils?

The Parent Council helps to create an environment where all parents/carers should know that their views matter, and where they feel confident and comfortable putting them forward. They work on behalf of all parents/carers to discuss educational matters that are of importance to all. They do not get involved in individual matters relating to children or staff in the school.

# How the meetings work:

We have the normal office bearers – Marianne as the Chair and Gillian as the Secretary. We have a set agenda that covers a council update, a school update and then any other relevant feedback, discussion points, concerns raised etc.

There is attendance from 3 or 4 teachers and around 9 parents/carers.

### **Parent Councils:**

- Work in partnership with the school to decide on the key priorities to take forward;
- Provide a voice for parents/carers in schools and in their local authority on issues that are important to them;
- Improve the school's understanding of how to engage parents/carers in their children's learning and in the life of the school;
- Support the school to develop strong home/school partnerships;
- Support improvement by discussing the school's strengths and areas for development from a parental perspective;
- Help make links with the wider community;
- Capture the unique and varied skills, interests, knowledge and experience that parents/carers can offer.

Our aim for 2023/2024 is to communicate more with the parent forum to both hear your views and keep you informed. There is no expectation for anyone to take on a formal role, we would just love for increased attendance, all input is valued and welcomed.