

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope all Braes families are doing well just now. Our young people continue to progress in their learning and it has been good to see senior phase pupils take advantage of the many additional study opportunities available. Please see an update on a number of matters below:

Uniform

The vast majority of young people continue to represent the school well by committing to high standards of school uniform. As a reminder, jogging or tracksuit trousers are not part of the school uniform. We have been carrying out checks with pupils to ensure standards are maintained. Early next week there will be a further check to ensure all pupils are wearing school ties. The support of parents/carers is very much appreciated in ensuring the high standards of uniform Braes pupils have been known for are maintained. School ties are available for purchase from the school office. Our parent/carer fundraising group, Friends at Braes, also run a uniform recycling service. Items at stored at reception and pupils and parents/carers are welcome to access this resource.

Drop Off area

The support of parents/carers in using disabled parking bays appropriately is appreciated. In addition, our drop-off area at the front of the school works best when drivers move along to the end of the bay, near the exit, to allow as many vehicles as possible to access the space. Many thanks for your support in doing this.

Summer Prom

We have been communicating with our S5 and S6 pupils about the Senior Prom, advising that given the current rules for schools, we cannot organise a summer event such as this. We will of course continue to monitor Scottish Government guidance and if such an event becomes possible and advisable, we will investigate its viability and liaise with senior pupils accordingly. It is important senior pupils are aware of this position to ensure that no unnecessary payments or bookings for outfits/limos etc. are made.

Supported Study Learning Café

The next Supported Study Learning Café for S4-6 pupils takes place on Tuesday 23rd November, in the school library. Teachers will be on hand to support pupils' study, and refreshments will also be available for pupils. I would encourage senior pupils to take advantage of this facility and the many other supported study classes on offer.

Many thanks for your ongoing support of the school.

Yours sincerely,

Iain Livingstone