



## Broxburn Academy Parent Council News

Broxburn Academy Parent Council meets monthly, currently via Zoom. Our members detailed below. We would really like to encourage more parents to join, so please email Emily, Jo or Fiona (emails below) if you are interested. The date of our **next meeting** is Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022 @ 19:00.

School Representatives	Parents	
Peter Reid	Emily Renner (Chair) Contact Emily at: emilyjanerenner@gmail.com	Jackie Bonar
Robbie McDonald	Joanne Cook (Treasurer) Contact Jo at: Jo.cook1403@gmail.com	Colin Young
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Kirstie Richmond	Nikki Kendall	Sharon McDowall
Ed Hill	Melinda Cuthbert	Lesley Spence
	Lynne McWilliams	Irene Devine
	Audrey Gebbie	Audrey Sneddon

### What we do

The Parent Council works in conjunction with the school to support them. Recently we helped the school by providing money to create a learning library for teachers who are taking on additional learning and funding for training to help identify and support older children with Dyslexia.

To be able to support these types of activities we need to fundraise. Due to Covid-19 this has been difficult, so we are looking at digital fundraising, for example, look out for our 100 club - more information being shared soon.

It also really helps the school if we use the textile/used clothes bin situated behind the gates in the carpark. When this is emptied it is weighed and the school receive the money. When the bin is full and used regularly this can raise £40-£60 a month.

The school have had numerous enquires about how you can apply for a Bus Pass that enables the under 22s in Scotland to free travel – this can be done via this link: [parentsportal | parentsportal.scot](https://parentsportal.scot.nhs.uk/).

### Ways to stay in touch

The school shares a daily bulletin with the pupils to keep them updated on what is happening in the school, what is expected of the pupils, any new clubs that they can attend etc. This is a great document sharing the information directly with the young people during registration.

Parent Council meetings run for approximately an hour and along with a Head Teacher update, information on the school improvement plan and any spotlights on changes within each faculty, we also regularly talk about the role parents can play in supporting the school. Copies of meeting minutes are available, please drop Fiona an email on the address above or call 07483458777.