



## **Balmuirdy Parent Council Annual Report 2019/2020**

### **Introduction**

Since November 2019 to November 2020 Balmuirdy Parent Council have held 4 meetings. Throughout the year our membership has comprised of 20 parent council members with 1 co-opted member. The average attendance has been 10. The overall make-up of the parent council covers all primary age groups. Over the 12-month period we have said goodbye to 5 members; Chris Green, Fiona Fenby, Laura McBride, Lynn Taggart and Rev James Gemmel. Our vice chair Sam Taylor stood down but remains on the parent council. I thank them for their commitment and involvement over the years. At the same time, I wish to thank all parent council members for their continued support and contribution to the group.

### **A look back**

Over the 12-month period we have;

- Attended and contributed to 1 EDC Parent Forum meeting and 1 short life working group on reporting to parents
- Consulted with parents and fed back to the school on key policy areas including-
  - Outdoor Play,
  - Homework,
  - Safety-Schools Evacuation/Gas incident and School Crossings,
  - School Communications through Covid Lockdown,
  - Shared Learning,
  - School Reporting to Parents and Carers.
- Increased our communications with other local PC chairs regularly sharing practise and ideas
- Continued to Increase our communications through the Balmuirdy Parent Council facebook page sharing school communications, events, EDC updates, local news, and National Parent Forum Scotland alerts,
- Supported the P1 induction through written communications,
- Recruited 5 new members from our new P1 intake,
- Contributed to the review of Balmuirdy's school Improvement Plan,

### **Future Plans**

Over the next 12 months our plans are to;

- Build the capacity of our Parent Council Members,
- Review PC constitution,
- Review and refine our PC Action Plan,
- Contribute to P1 Inductions,
- Continue our involvement in the wider EDC Parent Forum and ensure Balmuirdy PC representation,
- Support the development of Outdoor Play and contribute to the Play working group,
- Continue to put forward ideas, concerns and solutions from the wider parent body of Balmuirdy.



*Melodie Crumlin, Chair*

*Approved by Parent Council – 8<sup>th</sup> December 2020*