

## Parent Council/PTA News Update

### Respectme Anti-Bullying Upcoming Events

Respectme will be organising the following two events for parents and carers to raise awareness regarding bullying behaviour and the impact that it can have on children and young people. For anyone who is interested in participating in these sessions, you can book a place via respectme's website: [www.respectme.org.uk](http://www.respectme.org.uk)

- Online Safety Workshop (10.00am - 12.00pm, Wednesday 8 November 2017, Glasgow)  
This workshop is designed to increase parents' and carers' awareness of bullying and the other risks and challenges children and young people can face online. The workshop includes a practical, hands-on session, looking at how to set and manage profiles and privacy settings on different social networking platforms, to help ensure that children and young people are safe online.
- Responding to Bullying - Parents' Workshop (2.00pm - 4.00pm, Wednesday 8 November 2017, Glasgow)  
This workshop is designed to increase parents' and carers' awareness of bullying behaviour and to look at the different ways they can respond if their child is being bullied, or is involved in the bullying of others. This workshop also offers guidance on how schools and parents can work together to create inclusive environments and provide effective support for children and young people.

### Falkirk Area Parent Forum – CHANGE OF DATE!

Please note the next meeting of the FAPF has been brought forward to next **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**. The meeting will take place from 6.45 – 8.30pm in Camelon Education Centre. This meeting will be the FAPF's AGM and the reason it has been brought forward is so that two parent representatives can be chosen to sit on the Council's Education Executive prior to their next meeting on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November. Notes of interest were received during the summer holidays from parents and these will be circulated prior to the meeting next Thursday for any attendees to view. All parents are welcome to attend the meeting!

### Parent Council's audited accounts

Resources Finance Team would like to remind all Parent Councils that the audited accounts for year ended 31st July 17 were due to be submitted by 30th September. No administration payment will be due for any accounts still outstanding by 31st March. Guidance and blank templates can be found on the help for Parent Council Treasurers page <http://www.falkirk.gov.uk/services/schools-education/school-life/parent-councils/parent-council-treasurers.aspx>.

### Give us your views!

Falkirk Council Children's Services are currently running a six and a half week consultation on 'Inclusion and Additional Support Needs in Falkirk: Proposals for 2018 onwards'. The consultation

concerns the proposal to establish specialist classes in Easter Carmuir, Moray and Sacred Heart Primary Schools as well as Bo'ness Academy and Larbert High School.

The consultation is open to the public but will be particularly important to parents with children at any of the above schools. **The consultation went live on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September and will close on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November.**

You will be able to access the consultation through the following link:

<http://www.falkirk.gov.uk/services/council-democracy/consultations-surveys/> Please feel free to circulate this to other parents in your school.