

Parent's e-update

Falkirk Area Parent Forum – Minutes of Meeting (8th January 2019)

Please find attached the minutes of the recent Falkirk Area Parent Forum (FAPF) of 8th January 2019. The date for the next meeting of the FAPF is still to be confirmed but should take place between mid-end of March. Once the date is confirmed parents will be notified.

At the recent FAPF, it was agreed that links to the Performance Panel Report for Children's Services would be regularly sent out to parents via this e-update. This report contains information relating to educational outcomes as well as financial information and can be found here:

<http://www.falkirk.gov.uk/services/council-democracy/councillors-decision-making/committees/committee.aspx?committee=245&t=9>

The papers can be accessed by clicking on the date of each meeting of the Performance Panel. The last Children's Services update can be found in the 18th October 2018 meeting.

In addition to this, papers which are submitted to the Education Executive can be found here:

<http://www.falkirk.gov.uk/services/council-democracy/councillors-decision-making/committees/committee.aspx?committee=242&t=1>

Update on Parent Council funding

For Parent Councils who are still waiting on receiving their administration payments, we are currently fixing the funding model for Parent Councils. This information should be passed on to Children's Services Finance Team tomorrow who will then be able to release funds to Parent Councils that have submitted their accounts for the previous year.

We apologise for the delay with this.

"Learning together" – Scotland's National Action Plan on Parental Involvement, Parental Engagement, Family Learning and Learning at Home 2018 – 2021

The Scottish Government published the first ever action plan on Parental Involvement and Engagement following on from the NPFS review of the 2006 Parental Involvement Act. The new national action plan details a series of actions which the Scottish Government, local councils and schools will undertake in collaboratively working with their parent body. To find out more about the action plan, you can access it [here](#).

Forth Valley College - First Aid Courses

Some Parent Councils have previously asked about First Aid Courses for their members and other parents. Forth Valley College are carrying out free Headstart courses for the general public. These are held at their Alloa, Falkirk and Stirling campuses. More info here:

<https://www.forthvalley.ac.uk/media/3613/cm646-fvc-evening-classes-2018-19-low-res.pdf>

Parent Councils/PTA updates

If there are any changes to the Parent Council or PTA over the course of the school year (change of chair, vice-chair, treasurer or clerk), please can you let me know. This is to ensure I maintain an up to date email distribution list for all Parent Councils and PTAs.