



# HERMITAGE ACADEMY PARENT COUNCIL

10<sup>th</sup> May 2017

To all Parents and Carers

HERMITAGE ACADEMY EDUCATION SCOTLAND INSPECTION REPORT

**The Parent Council welcome the recent Education Scotland report as a measure of our school's performance alongside parental and pupil feedback.**

The report evidences a number of concerns parents have voiced over the past 18 months and hope this is now the opportunity for the school to focus and place reviews in these areas linking with parents and pupils. Particularly welcomed is the requirement for further support for our current S5 & S6 who are those pupils affected by the previously narrow presentation model.

Noting the improvements in overall attainment and recognition of the hard work from the teaching staff to deliver this positive outcome. The Parent Council would like to take this opportunity to thank all the teaching and support staff at Hermitage Academy for their dedication and commitment which has delivered the improvements to date. The pupil teacher relations are strong and as parents are delighted that this is the case.

Overwhelmingly the requirement for improved strategic leadership and the management of the schools change agenda is one which we expect will be given priority by the school in its improvement plan. The appointment of a new Head Teacher will in itself bring about some of that change for the school as we all seek the drive towards excellence at the Academy. We look forward to working with the new Head Teacher in supporting the school in its delivery of the improvement priorities, where appropriate.

The Parent Council notes the parental feedback given in its work with parents and the school and will seek improvements in the ways in which we communicate with the forum. We will take the opportunity for some further evaluations to ensure we continue to deliver the appropriate representation of the forum and partnership working with the Academy. The Parent Council will at all times work in the best interests of the pupils at the Academy and doing so in a positive partnership is a key priority moving into the next academic year which we're sure will prove to be exciting times as we move into this next chapter.

Hermitage Academy Parent Council has its own dedicated webpage and facebook page. More information on the work of the Parent Council and information on how to join the Council are available via <http://haparentcouncil.co.uk/>

You can email the Parent Council: [haparentcouncil@hotmail.com](mailto:haparentcouncil@hotmail.com)

Our facebook page is a closed group only open to parents and carers of pupils currently attending Hermitage Academy. Requests to join this group will be verified by PC members. To search for our page enter: **Hermitage Academy Parent Council**

The date of the next Parent Council meeting is Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – 7pm – School Library

The date of the Parent Council AGM is Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September – 7pm – School Library

Kind regards  
Stella Kinloch  
HA PC – Chair