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Dear Parent/Carer

Annual Data Check and Consent Forms

Please find enclosed an annual data check for your child. This should be checked and updated as required and returned to the school office by Friday 28th August. The purpose of an annual data check form is to ensure that we have the most up to date contact and medical information for your child. It is **essential** that we have your correct contact information for you and your child.

Please remember that if any home contact or medical information change throughout the school year, you can email the changes to breadalbane@pkc.gov or phone 01887 822300 and we will update your child's records.

Also enclosed is an **Annual Excursion Consent Form** and **list of planned wider achievement activities**. It would be very helpful to the school – and I hope convenient for you – if you could sign this annual consent form as confirmation you give permission in advance for your child to take part in these activities. By asking you to give your consent for these activities at the start of the year, we hope to reduce the administrative burden on both parents and staff. If you would rather not sign such an annual consent, please indicate this on your return.

Needless to say, in the current circumstances, we cannot say with any certainty which of these activities will take place this session. However, it would nevertheless be very useful to have annual consent forms if we can go ahead.

Parents will be contacted again in advance of each activity with fuller excursion details. This will provide a further opportunity to withdraw consent if you so wish.

Finally, please also find attached our 'cost of the school year' leaflet which should provide you with an overview of approximate costs that will or may be levied in the course of the session. I trust that this will assist you in financial planning. The school is committed to equity of experience for all pupils. In cases of financial hardship you are advised to contact your child's Guidance teacher.

Yours faithfully

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John Devine
Headteacher





Breadalbane Academy Cost of the Secondary School Year 2020/21

Breadalbane Academy offers a rich and varied curriculum which is supplemented by an extensive wider achievement programme. Parental financial contributions have been minimised but inevitably, some costs are incurred throughout the year in order to maintain and improve the pupil experience.

Please find below an explanation of the key financial contributions which may be required throughout each school year.

S1

Payment Item	Cost
HE Payment	£25.00
Technical Payment	£5.00
S1 Panto Trip	£13.00
Stewart Tower Dairy	£3.00
S1 Snow Sport Experience	£20.00
Crannog Trip	£11.00
Baking Club	£5.00
Christmas Jumper Day	£1.00
Activities Week	free - £100.00
Shoebox Appeal	£1.00
Ski Trip (biennial)	£850.00 - £870

S2

Payment Item	Cost
HE Payment	£25.00
Technical Payment	£5.00
Parliament Trip	£12.00 - £15.00
Shoebox Appeal	£1.00
Baking Club	£5.00
Christmas Jumper Day	£1.00
Activities Week	free - £100.00
Battlefields Photobook	£10.00
Ski Trip (biennial)	£850.00 - £870
Battlefields Trip	£500.00

S3

Payment Item	Cost
HE Payment	£25.00
Technical Payment	£10.00
Watersports Trip	£20.00
New Lanark	£14.00
Archaeology Visit	£4.00
Rural Skills RHS Trip	£13.00
Shoebox Appeal	£1.00
Baking Club	£5.00
Christmas Jumper Day	£1.00
Activities Week	free - £100.00
Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Expedition	£20.00
Silver Duke of Edinburgh Expedition	£21.00
Gold Duke of Edinburgh Expedition	£28.00
Ski Trip (biennial)	£850.00 - £870

Key:

- Curricular Cost
- Optional
- High Cost Opportunity*

**All high cost opportunities are optional. The school provides flexible payment terms for high cost opportunities and in some cases may be able to support families who are experiencing financial hardship. Please contact the school for more information.*

Senior Phase S4 – S6

Payment Item	Cost
HE Senior Activities S5/6 only	£25.00
Health & Food Tech	£25.00
Hospitality	£25.00
Senior HE SWA S5/6 only	£25.00
Textiles	£10.00
Theatre Trips	£13.00 - £30.00
Modern Studies - various visits	£2.00
Modern Studies London Trip– S5/6 only	£30.00 - £50.00
Rural Skills RHS Trip	£13.00 - £15.00
Shoobox Appeal	£1.00
Christmas Jumper Day	£1.00
Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Expedition	£20.00
Silver Duke of Edinburgh Expedition	£21.00
Gold Duke of Edinburgh Expedition	£28.00
Return of SQA Art Portfolios	£16.00
Prom – S6 only	£45.00
Yearbooks / Leaver Hoodies	£45.00
Winter Ball – S5/6 only	£20.00

Although there are many common costs in S1–S2, contributions will vary in S3 through to the senior phase as pupils make individual subject choices.

All curriculum contributions are capped at £25 per course. In many cases pupils will be able to take home what they have produced in class.

Generic Costs - Secondary

Payment Item	Cost
School Tie (Senior/Prefect)	£6.00
Replacement Locker Key	£5.00
Replacement Bus Pass	£5.00
Calculators	£4.00 - £6.70
Blazers	From £28.50
School Lunch Meal Deal	£2.30

From time to time, replacement items may be required. These can usually be sourced via the school office for a small charge.

A range of hot and cold meal options are provided by Tayside Contracts in our school dining area.

As an example, a meal deal consists of a sandwich/panini, drink and snack.

We hope this information is useful and helps you to plan your child's school year at Breadalbane Academy. Should you have any queries please contact:
Breadalbane@pkc.gov.uk

Breadalbane Academy Wider Achievement Activities
Session 2020-21

The following is an overview of activities for which you are asked to give advance consent. This list is not exhaustive and other opportunities will arise. If so, you will be provided with a separate consent form.

S1

- **Snow Experience** – As part of the Outdoor Education programme, this activity provides an opportunity for S1 pupils to have a one day ski snow-sport experience. This will take place in the Glencoe Mountain Resort and will be partially subsidised by the school to ensure participation by all.
- **Panto Trip** – As part of the Wider Achievement Standard we are committed to ensuring that all S1-3 pupils have the opportunity to take part in a cultural trip. Every December our English department takes all S1 pupils to the Dundee Repertory Theatre to see their Christmas production. This is partially subsidised by the school fund.
- **Stewart Tower Dairy** – As part of a "Farm to Fork" enterprise topic, our Home Economics takes pupils on this trip which is run in collaboration with Stewart Tower Dairy and the Royal Highland Education Trust.
- **Crannog Trip** – As part of the curriculum our History department takes pupils to the Scottish Crannog Centre on Loch Tay, where pupils learn about the construction of the Crannog Centre in the Iron Age and its eventual collapse. Whilst there pupils have the opportunity to take part in various activities.
- **John Muir Award** - Pupils will be participating in a number of conservation exercises in the local area mainly the Birks with the local Ranger. This will occur on a couple of occasions over the course of the year.

S2

- **Country Walk** - Outdoor Learning Day. This fits in with the national drive to make our children healthier, fitter and more appreciative of their natural environment. This is a day of learning in the "great outdoors".
- **Parliament Trip** –The Modern Studies department run a day trip to Scottish Parliament to coincide with the new *Democracy in the UK and Scotland* course. This trip is to support the pupils' learning in aspects such as democracy, citizenship, participation, decision making and lastly the relationships between Westminster and Holyrood.
- **Highland Chef Competition** – Our Home Economics department run a competition where pupils have to create and cook their own dishes in class. The eventual winners of this spend the day spent at the Townhouse restaurant preparing food and working with waiting staff for the Annual Highland Chef Dinner, which is then served that evening to parents, family and friends.
- **Overnight Camping** – This is the newest addition to our Outdoor Education programme. This experience provides pupils to have the opportunity of one night's camping at Meggernie Scout Camp in Glen Lyon.
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S3

- **Watersport Experience** – As part of the schools commitment to developing a universal outdoor learning experience, we provide S3 pupils with the opportunity to take part in a local watersports experience, white-water rafting on the River Tay.
- **Munro Walk** – This is to provide every young person in S3 with the opportunity to climb a “Munro” mountain. The walk will take part in the Ben Lawers area and will be subsidised by the school to encourage participation by all.
- **New Lanark** – As part of their course S3 History and Archaeology pupils have the chance to visit the textile mills at New Lanark near Glasgow. During the visit pupils get a guided tour, see machinery used at the time still working and visit the school set up by Robert Owen and the mill housing provided for workers.
- **Royal Highland Show** – This is a trip open to pupils studying various courses in the Geography, Rural Skills, Home Economics and Business education departments. The aim is for pupils to investigate the changes occurring in rural industries in Scotland, the growth of GM technologies in agriculture and looking at the impacts on the landscape of Scotland, as well as the variety of food producers and small businesses.

S1-S3

- **School Sports Teams** – Pupils in the school teams will be participating in local fixtures against schools within the council as well as participating in local festivals in their chosen sport i.e. Football, Rugby, Basketball, Golf, Netball etc.