Campbeltown Grammar School
Parent Council Meeting
Monday 14th September 2026 at 7pm - CGS

Present:
Kirsty Donnelly, Head Teacher
Kim Fletcher, DHT, S5&S6
Liv Tamburrini, DHT S1&S2
Joanna Holbrook, Chairperson
Valerie McKay, Vice Chair
Emma Woods - Funding
Carole Tait, Secretary/funding
Laura Hunter, Treasurer
Lorna Reid, parent
Alix Osbourne, Teacher rep
Linda Galbraith, parent
Catherine Ann Macauley, G/parent
Andrea McShannon, parent
Helen Baine, parent
Lauren Wright, parent
Julie Galbraith, parent

Apologies received:
Kristin Gillies, parent
Eilidh Anderson, parent
Tommy MacPherson, Councillor

Absent:
Sharon Gillies McCallum, parent
Lindsay Giffin, parent
John Armour, Councillor
Jennifer Kean, Councillor
Katrina Barr, parent

Welcome and Apologies as above

Approval of Previous Minutes from 07/05/2026 The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved. **Proposed by:** Joanna Holbrook **Seconded by:** Laura Hunter.

Agenda

S1 & S2 concerns - Concerns were raised regarding disruptions during class time in S1 and S2. KD confirmed that the school is undertaking a full review of its Relationships Policy and anti-bullying campaign. Staff are on call, and additional supervision has been introduced during lunchtime and break times.

New Parent Council members expressed serious concerns about pupil safety and requested reassurance that the school is taking appropriate action in response to recent incidents at the beginning of term.

Violence and knife-awareness assemblies are being delivered by Police Scotland. The school is also developing an improvement plan to strengthen communication with parents and ensure that pupils feel safe, supported and able to trust the school.

It was noted that individual interventions and consequences are implemented when pupils disrupt lessons.

Discussion also took place around how best to engage parents across the school community. Further suggestions and ideas from parents are welcomed to help improve communication, strengthen relationships and encourage greater parental involvement.

Action: Parents are encouraged to submit suggestions for improving communication and engagement with the school community.

Prizegiving- It was noted that the school trophies have not yet been engraved. PC offered to fund the engraving.

Val agreed to assist with identifying and naming the trophies and to establish a working group to determine the purpose of each trophy and ensure that they continue to be used meaningfully within the school.

Actions: PC to fund the engraving of the trophies. Val to coordinate the identification and naming of the trophies. A working group to review the purpose and ongoing use of the trophies.

Fundraising - PC suggested that fundraising activities should be led by the school and pupils, encouraging greater pupil involvement and ownership. The possibility of hosting a coffee morning or fayre during the year to coincide with the gallery opening in October was discussed. PC agreed to organise a Co-op stall over the festive period, with proceeds contributing towards school funds. PC also agreed to provide funding towards the forthcoming theatre trip in November. The trip is being offered to pupils in S2, S3 and Advanced Higher.

Actions: Explore opportunities for pupil-led fundraising activities. Consider a coffee morning or fayre to support the gallery opening and wider fundraising efforts. PC to organise a Co-op stall during the festive season. PC to contribute funding towards the November theatre trip.

Finance - A breakdown of the Parent Council finances was attached to the meeting papers. Morag McLean agreed to audit the accounts. Committee agreed to offer funding to the English trip £500 has been ringfenced and £10 per student attending. Total current balance is £751.29.

Action: Morag McLean to undertake an audit of the Parent Council accounts.

Headteacher's Report

The Headteacher's report included updates on staffing, attendance and school improvement.

Staffing updates

- Mr Pilkington — PT Improving Attendance and Engagement working on attendance improvement.
- Ms Semple — Teacher of Chemistry
- Lisa Hamilton Bryce — Teacher of English
- Charlotte Greg — maternity leave cover for Mrs McGeachy.
- Ms Coleen Alexander — Teacher of ASN.
- The school is continuing to seek a Technical teacher.
- The school are currently advertising for 0.6FTE Teacher of ASN and 1FTE Lead ASN Assistant

School improvement Self-evaluation activities are taking place to support continuous school improvement. An S1 parents' evening is scheduled for 29 September 2026 (passed).

Attainment Results Kim Fletcher delivered a presentation on the school's attainment results. Parents who would like further information or a more detailed breakdown of the results were encouraged to contact the school directly.

Dates for the diary - Parent Council meetings.

Tuesday 27th October 2026
Wednesday 27th January 2027
Thursday 11th March 2027
Monday 10th May 2027