TURNBULL HIGH SCHOOL

MINUTE OF PARENT COUNCIL

Date: Monday 19th October 2026

Opening Prayer	Lord, enlighten with you Holy Spirit the minds and hearts of all those who participate in Parent Councils. Help them to act justly and wisely in all that they do, according to Your plan of love and in the service of Your Kingdom. Bless and guide parents, priests, teachers and all those whose words and actions will influence the future of Catholic education. Be their strength and courage in their responsibilities and by their Christian witness, may the pass on to our children and young people an appreciation of Your love. Amen.

1. Introduction and note of attendance

Members Present: L McManus, E Kennedy, A Thomson, S Cornfield, Jennifer McPherson, Niki McGaughran, Leanne Telford and Kelly Fallon.
Apologies: Angie Swan, Peter Murray, Denise Bruce and Aiden O'Halloran.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

EK advised that she would check her documents and provide the AGM minutes from the Parent Council folder. May Parent Council meeting minutes – reminder for LM.
The minutes were approved and carried.

3. Head Teacher's Report

EK confirmed that Parent Council members are very welcome to attend the Mass of Thanksgiving, with spaces reserved for them.
EK advised that a quality review will take place in February. Parent Council members were given advance notice of focus groups, which are a common feature of council inspections.
EK outlined challenges affecting supported study due to staffing issues.
EK provided staffing updates and reassured the Parent Council that parents would receive updates regarding the replacement Principal Teacher of English.
How to Study event: It was agreed that a letter would be sent on behalf of the Parent Council to encourage participation.
Swimming Club: The Leisuredrome was discussed, with a suggestion to speak to David McArthur.

4. Parish Report

Thanks were expressed to Angie Swan for providing the Parish Report.
Children's Liturgy: An appeal was made for learners to help with this. Carlo Acutis was also mentioned.

5. Chair's Report

LM thanked members for their attendance and encouraged continued participation in Parent Council meetings.
A request was made for a Vice Chair. LM confirmed that she was happy to continue as Chair.

6. EDC Parental Communication Protocol

EK provided updates regarding parental partnership at Turnbull High School and EDC's Parent/Carer Communication Protocol.
Rewording of the "Open Door Policy" was discussed.
EK advised that the Parental Partnership document would be updated around Christmas. Parent Council members agreed to take the document home and bring feedback to the next meeting.

7. Health and Safety Issues

EK outlined the timescale for updates and protocols relating to suspected hoax threats to schools in Scotland, including the school's procedures for addressing concerns. Members were advised that all updates are processed through Corporate Communications.
A fire service visit and a police visit concerning fireworks were also discussed.

8. Parental Correspondence

LM will check with Catriona regarding the inbox for parental correspondence.

9. A.O.C.B

EK discussed the Connect Membership Pack, which is to be shared.
A WhatsApp/email group is to be established for Parent Council members.

10. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 9th November 2026 at 7:30pm.