



17<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear Parent / Carer,

### **Boys 2 Men Update**

The group has been meeting for 6 weeks.

During this time we have worked on sharing our feelings with others and developing our group agreement. We have also looked at male representation in the media and the impact our conduct can have in the community.

The boys have really grown and developed as the weeks have gone by. The emotional check in has been very powerful and they are becoming more comfortable in sharing their opinions.

We have had 4 outside speakers or our 'Good Guys' who shared their life stories and how they feel about being a man in today's society. The 4 guests were Graham Goulden, PC Irons, James Docherty and Ross Deuchar. They shared how impressed they were with the boys and the programme we are developing.

Rangers football club sent two of the boys signed photographs to support them for taking part in the project.

One of the boys made scones for the group, helped by Ms Rogerson, who also provided some delicious jam!

Next week the boys will be taking part in a blacksmith workshop. The Blacksmith will be using the schools forge and making medieval jewellery.

Some of the activities for next term are lessons on self-image, confidence in challenging stereotypes and the mentoring role. We have sessions booked with local businessmen and role models in our communities.

It's been a great start to the programme.

Kind Regards,

Kerry Galbraith Currie