

**INDUSTRY: DIGITAL**

**ACTIVITY: TECH DONATIONS & CAREER TALKS**

**ORGANISATION: WARACLE**

**SCHOOL: BRAEVIEW ACADEMY**

## SUPPORTING SCHOOLS DURING A PANDEMIC

Before Lockdown, DYW Dundee & Angus were facilitating discussions between Braeview Academy and local tech organisation Waracle. There were hopes to establish an influencing partnership and work together on a 'App Design' Project.



Despite the restrictions put in place due to COVID-19, Waracle and Braeview were still keen to progress their partnership. Waracle very generously offered to support Braeview by donating old equipment that the IT department could either restore or take a part as part of the curriculum. Waracle have already donated the first batch of devices which included a MacBook Air and Asus Laptop and they hope to continue to donate further equipment.

In addition to the donated tech, Waracle also created a series of short career films that will be used for the National Progression Award Computer Games Development class. They covered a variety of unusual tech careers and gave a real insight into these roles.

*This donation has been especially welcomed within our computer games development class. Many of our pupils have only used phones or computers in school and have not experienced using devices such as a Mac. Within this course we have been able to make use of the laptop to create media assets including game backgrounds, sprites which are vital in preparing our pupils for working within industry.*

**Mr Sneddon, Computing Science, Braeview Academy**



**Angela Rieu-Clarke**  
**Human Resources Director**

*"Waracle are delighted to be able to sponsor Braeview this year, offering access to defunct equipment which would have otherwise gone to waste. The school is able to utilise defunct equipment for tear down, providing young people equipment specifically to disassemble and investigate and then to build.*

*We welcome the chance to support the school and inspire the next engineers and computer scientists in this way."*

DYW Dundee & Angus are now looking to engage with more businesses across the area to partner with other schools to donate old hardware. We have named this campaign **'Be a DYW Digital Donator'**.

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