

## STAFF

At Forfar Academy, our Senior Leadership Team comprises:

|                   |                                  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| Mr K. Mohamed     | Head Teacher                     |
| Mr G. Wallace     | Depute Head Teacher              |
| Mrs G. McGuinness | Depute Head Teacher              |
| Mr C. Agnew       | Acting Depute Head Teacher       |
| Mrs P. Irving     | Acting Depute Head Teacher (0.5) |
| Mrs N. Chalmers   | School Business Manager          |

| Faculty                   | Principal Teacher   | Subject Areas  |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| Languages & Communication | Mr C. Swan  | English<br>Modern Languages  |
| Mathematics               | Ms A. Tindall   | Maths  |
| Sciences                  | Mrs R. Scott  | Science<br>Biology<br>Chemistry<br>Physics   |
| Social Subjects           | Mr M. Swift   | Geography<br>History<br>Philosophies<br>Psychology   |
| Health Improvement        | Mr A. Marshall (Acting)   | Physical Education<br>Home Economics   |
| Technical Education       | Mr R. Baldie  | Design & Technology<br>Design & Manufacture<br>Graphic Communication<br>Practical Woodworking<br>Engineering Science |
| Expressive Arts           | Mr P. Harrison  | Art and Design<br>Drama<br>Music   |
| Business & Computing      | Mrs P. Irving   | Admin & IT<br>Business Studies<br>Computing Science  |
| Support for Learning      | Mrs A. Seivwright   |  |
| Pupil Care & Support Team | Mr S. Bennett (acting)<br>Mrs A. Callander<br>Mr B. Martin<br>Mr R. Preston<br>Mrs N. Ritchie<br>Ms M. Seivwright | Personal and Social<br>Education   |
| School Library            | Ms S. Page  |  |

Other teachers and partners that may work with some or all of our students include:

- Catering staff
- Admin staff
- School & Pupil Support Assistants
- Careers Adviser (Skills Development Scotland)
- Volunteer Drivers
- Caretakers and cleaning staff
- Librarians
- Music Instructors
- School Nurse
- Educational Psychologist
- Technical Support Team
- Community Learning & Development Team
- Resource Worker
- School Counsellor
- Family Support Team
- Social Work
- Voluntary & Third Sector workers

## SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

As a school we are committed to raising standards for our young people. Whether that be using data in an informed way to target and bring about improvement or ensuring all our students have a breadth of experience to develop as well rounded individuals, we have high aspirations for all of our students in terms of attainment and achievement. The sensitive and sensible use of data is a significant aspect of our drive towards continuous improvement.

Each year the school publishes it's Standards and Quality Report which outlines the main achievements of the school during the school session, how the school has been working to improve standards and sets out improvement planning priorities for the next session.

The school is very proud of the success of its students in a wide range of local, national and international competitions and events as well as the breadth of opportunities we offer students as part of their curriculum. Many of these successes are captured in the termly school newsletter and through the school twitter account.

The school website is regularly updated to showcase the wide range of learning our pupils are involved in.

You can find the Standards & Quality Reports, School Newsletters and much more at the school website at <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/an/forfaracademy/>

### School Performance in National Examinations (last 3 years)

The tables below show trends and information on how the school is performing at different levels within the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework.

| Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF) Levels |                               |
|--|-------------------------------|
| Level 7  | Advanced Higher at grades A-C |
| Level 6  | Higher at grades A-C          |
| Level 5  | National 5<br>Skills for Work |
| Level 4  | National 4 passes             |
| Level 3  | National 3 passes             |
| Level 2  | National 2                    |
| Level 1  | National 1                    |

## Breadth & Depth – all candidates

### S4

| Measure   | 2017  | 2018  | 2019  |
|---|-------|-------|-------|
| % of pupils gaining 5 awards or more at level 5 | 39.46 | 37.3  | 42.65 |
| % of pupils gaining 5 awards or more at level 4 | 80.54 | 61.66 | 65.20 |
| % of pupils gaining 5 awards or more at level 3 | 94.05 | 78.24 | 74.02 |

### S5

| Measure   | 2017  | 2018  | 2019  |
|---|-------|-------|-------|
| % of pupils gaining 5 awards or more at level 6 | 19.7  | 13.10 | 10.71 |
| % of pupils gaining 3 awards or more at level 6 | 40.91 | 42.07 | 40.71 |
| % of pupils gaining 1 award or more at level 6  | 67.42 | 68.28 | 72.14 |
| % of pupils gaining 5 awards or more at level 5 | 65.15 | 64.83 | 70    |

### S6

| Measure   | 2017  | 2018  | 2019  |
|---|-------|-------|-------|
| % of pupils gaining 1 award or more at level 7  | 50.49 | 41.98 | 45.45 |
| % of pupils gaining 5 awards or more at level 6 | 65.05 | 58.02 | 48.05 |
| % of pupils gaining 3 awards or more at level 6 | 80.58 | 79.01 | 75.32 |
| % of pupils gaining 1 award or more at level 6  | 93.2  | 91.36 | 96.1  |

## Percentage of Leavers (S4/5/6) in positive destinations

| 2015/16 | 2016/17 | 2017/18 |
|---------|---------|---------|
| 97.49   | 93.85   | 95.86   |

### Further Information on School Improvement

Much more information on the progress the school is making including the Standards and Quality Report, School Improvement priorities and school newsletters can be found at <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/an/forfaracademy/>

Inspection reports: [www.educationscotland.gov.uk/](http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk/)

Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework: [www.scaqf.org.uk](http://www.scaqf.org.uk)

Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) information for teachers, pupils, parents and employers on qualifications: [www.sqa.org.uk](http://www.sqa.org.uk)

Amazing Things – information about youth awards in Scotland: [www.awardsnetwork.org/index.php](http://www.awardsnetwork.org/index.php)

# School Term and Holiday Dates 2020/21

## Autumn Term

- Tuesday 11 August 2020 - staff resume
- Wednesday 12 August 2020 - pupils resume
- Friday 2 October 2020 - term ends

## Autumn holiday

Monday 5 October 2020 to Friday 16 October 2020

## Winter Term

- Monday 19 October 2020 - term starts
- Wednesday 2 December 2020 - in service day, schools closed
- Thursday 3 December 2020 - in service day, schools closed
- Friday 4 December 2020 - St Andrew's Day holiday, schools closed
- Wednesday 23 December 2020 - term ends

## Christmas holiday

Thursday 24 December 2020 to Tuesday 5 January 2021

## Spring Term

- Wednesday 6 January 2021 - term starts
- Thursday 11 February 2021 - in service day, schools closed
- Friday 12 February 2021 - mid term, schools closed
- Monday 15 February 2021 - mid term, schools closed
- Friday 1 April 2021 - term ends

## Spring holiday

Monday 5 April 2021 to Friday 16 April 2021

## Summer Term

- Monday 19 April 2021 - term starts
- Monday 3 May 2021 - May holiday, schools closed
- Monday 22 May 2021 - in service day, schools closed
- Thursday 24 June 2021 - term ends