

## Kilmarnock Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing at this exciting time to introduce myself to you as the Head Teacher of the new Kilmarnock Academy which will be part of the William McIlvanney Campus in New Farm Loch.

It is a great privilege to be leading our young people and staff as we move forward as one school community with a shared vision and aim of achieving excellence for all our young people.

We are all very much looking forward to the merger of the current Kilmarnock and James Hamilton Academies and, of course, moving into a new state of the art £45 million Campus in April 2018. In preparation for the merging of our learning communities staff have been working collaboratively for some time and pupils have been and will continue to participate in joint events and activities.

Amongst the excitement of moving to a new school you will have many questions and maybe even a few concerns. To that end, myself and the new Senior Leadership Team have organised an information session for you which will provide clarity on a range of topics such as the new school uniform, the curriculum, the school day, transport, moving arrangements, SQA exams and much more. We would be delighted if you could attend the information evening on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November in the Grand Hall from 7 - 9pm.

We also realise that communication with our parents is vital in ensuring a smooth and successful transition to the new school. To this end, we have created a new Kilmarnock Academy School Blog which can be found at <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/ea/wmckilmarnockacademy/>. There is also a link to the new school blog on your current school's website/ blog. In addition you can follow us on Twitter [@WMCKilmarnockAc](https://twitter.com/WMCKilmarnockAc). I would recommend saving this link to your mobile device/ tablet or computer and checking the blog periodically for updated information. Another great source of information is your current Parent Council Chair and representatives who have been involved in new school matters for some time now.

In the meantime if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or one of the new Depute Head Teachers.

Kind regards,



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