



Bellahouston Academy

Head Teacher: Mr Barry Mochan

Iona House

Mr Murdo Macdonald – Depute Headteacher

Miss Lynne Kennedy – Principal Teacher of Pastoral Care

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Iona House.

Team Iona will be working with, and supporting our Iona families and young people throughout their time at Bellahouston Academy.

What is our House System?

At Bellahouston we have 4 Houses:

Mull Iona Arran Skye



Young people, siblings and families will stay with their house team for their time at Bellahouston.

This allows us to develop a positive relationship with families over the 6 year journey at Bellahouston Academy. The partnership between home and school plays an important part in the success achieved by young people.

Each house team meet weekly to look at pupil attendance, time-keeping, uniform, progress in class, and overall school engagement.

One week, a focus will be on BGE (S1-S3); the next week, the focus will be on Senior Phase (S4 -S6).

We will also take the time to celebrate the successes our pupils have.

Extended House Team

On a regular basis DHT and Pastoral Care will also meet with Faculty of Inclusion teachers and Support for Learning workers who are also linked to a house.

House Team meetings will be based on the Get it Right for Every Child (GIRFEC) and the Health and Wellbeing Indicators to ensure that all young people have the best opportunities and access to appropriate support at Bellahouston Academy.



Each house will meet for a House Assembly during Tutor Time each week. Iona's assembly is on a Tuesday.

Values

Our school values are:



BELONGING

We **INCLUDE** everyone regardless of background or circumstances. Our school is a **SAFE** space where people are valued and **RESPECTED**.



ASPIRATION

Bellahouston Academy is a place where we feel emotionally **SAFE** and optimistic. It is a place where hopes and expectations are encouraged and **NURTURED**.



GROWTH

Every day is an opportunity to improve as learners and as people. We must be **RESPONSIBLE** for our own determination to **ACHIEVE**. We should be **ACTIVE**, so we can be physically and mentally **HEALTHY**.



ACHIEVEMENT

We believe in equity. We **INCLUDE** everyone in our commitment to **NURTURING** skills and talents, and **ACHIEVING** the best possible qualifications and awards.



RESPECT

Feeling **RESPECTED** and **INCLUDED** in our school helps us to feel emotionally **SAFE** and mentally **HEALTHY**. Each of us should feel **RESPONSIBLE** for ensuring others are **RESPECTED**.

Our values are key to life at Bellahouston Academy.

Through classes, assemblies and how we treat each other, we promote these values in our daily life in school.

Bellahouston Academy has a merit scheme. This is based on our values. Teachers issue merits to pupils who follow the school values day-to-day in school. This allows us to celebrate and acknowledge the amazing young people in our community.

We belong here, and will aspire, grow and achieve together, within a culture of respect.

Bellahouston Academy WE ALL BELONG HERE



Our Anti-Bullying Policy

At Bellahouston Academy, we're committed to addressing bullying behaviour swiftly & effectively.

WHAT CAN PARENTS DO?

UNDERSTAND SCHOOL POLICY
So that you can contribute to the process effectively.

TELL THE SCHOOL
Report incidents to the school as soon as they happen.

SUPPORT ALL CHILDREN
Be aware that the school must support all children involved.

BE RESPECTFUL
Work together with staff, pupils & other parents respectfully.

DEAL WITH YOUR CHILD'S ACTIONS
Address your child's behaviour if it affects others negatively.



CONTRIBUTE YOUR VIEWS
Help us shape our policies by sharing your views with us.

MANAGE DIGITAL DEVICES
Use parental controls, privacy settings and age restrictions appropriately.

REPORT, UNFRIEND, BLOCK
Report abuse to websites & make sure your child unfriends & blocks abuse.

BE AWARE WHEN POLICE SHOULD BE INVOLVED
Keep screenshots & other evidence.

KNOW THE SCHOOL'S COMPLAINT PROCEDURE
Be aware of your rights if the situation is not resolved to your satisfaction.

Through Personal and Social Education (PSE) classes pupils will learn about how to respect the differences and the diversity we are lucky to have in our school community.

As a family you can support this by:

- Helping support your child use social media appropriately and safely;
- Checking devices, posts, and age ratings on their technology;
- Informing your child's pastoral care/depute head of any bullying incident as soon as possible.

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Uniform

One of the ways we foster a sense of belonging and equality is through our uniform. We are very proud of the young people in our school, and are happy that they feel they belong within our community.

PLEASE NOTE THAT LEGGINGS NAD JOGGING TROUSERS ARE NOT PART OF OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM

Visit the Blazing Squad Initiative for help with all uniform items!

Bellahouston Academy's... UNIFORM POLICY



By wearing our Bellahouston Academy uniform, we show that we BELONG here. We have RESPECT for ourselves, for pupils and staff, for our families for our community and for our school.



SCHOOL TIE 	WHITE SHIRT 	BLACK PULLOVER 	BLACK TROUSERS OR SKIRT
BLACK CARDIGAN 	BLACK BLAZER 	BLACK HIJAB 	BLACK SHOES

When your class teacher asks you to remove any pullovers, cardigans or hoodies with large logos, you should do as instructed.

NOT ACCEPTABLE UNIFORM ITEMS:

SPORTS CLOTHING
or large LOGOS
joggers, leggings
tracksuits

Pullovers, cardigans,
skirts or trousers in
colours other than BLACK.
Jeans or denim.

Even if you are timetabled for PE or to attend Glasgow School of Sport that day, you must arrive at school in full school uniform not in sports kit.

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Uniform also helps keep pupils in school safe, as we are able to quickly identify anyone who does not belong in the school building.

Time-Keeping and our School Day

	Start	Finish
Monday	8.50am	3.00pm
Tuesday	8.50am	3.50pm
Wednesday	8.50am	3.00pm
Thursday	8.50am	3.50pm
Friday	8.50am	3.00pm

It is essential that all pupils are in school and attend tutor time.

Text messages are sent home every morning and afternoon for pupils who are not in class. **Please make sure that the school has up to date contact details for families. If your child is unwell we will make a call home to let you know.**

At weekly house meetings we will discuss attendance. If we are concerned about young people's attendance we will contact families, and at times ask our Home School Support worker Paula Di Bona to help support young people increase their attendance.

Bellahouston Attendance Policy:

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/gc/bellahoustonacademy2019/attendance/>

If your child is going to be absent or has an appointment you need to contact to absence line. On line glasgow.gov.uk/pupilabsence

or call 0141 471 3710 or 0141 287 0039

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All of our DHT and Pastoral Support staff have teaching commitments. This may mean that we are not able to respond immediately to communication.

We will however get back to you as soon as we are able to.