



**Hillhead High School**  
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Phone 0141 582 0100

**Head Teacher**  
K McAlaney

27/08/21

Dear Parent / Carer,

It has been a great start to the new term and lovely to see pupils settling back into their learning. Our S1 Pupil Mentors have done a terrific job welcoming our new S1 pupils and helping them navigate our two buildings and the structure of our school day. Thanks to everyone who has downloaded our school app as this is our main way of communicating with you. If you have not yet done so, you can find out more on our website here:

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/gc/hillheadhigh/parent-zone/communication-with-parents/how-we-communicate-with-you/>

Thank you also for completing and returning the forms sent out over the past fortnight, including an information letter and consent form for the flu vaccination which will take place in school on Mon 18<sup>th</sup> October. If you need a replacement letter and consent form issued, please get in touch with our school office. Below you will find updates on a range of matters. As always, at the end of this bulletin you will find contact information for our Pupil Support Team and our Senior Leadership Team and if you have any concerns about your child's wellbeing or their learning, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

### **School Uniform**

A reminder that pupils should come to school in their uniform each day – the only exception at the moment is if your child has PE at Hughenden as for the moment we cannot access the changing facilities. Mr Gemmill and the PE staff have let pupils know if this will apply to them over the next few weeks but all other pupils will be able to change into their PE kit as normal. Pupils who do not yet have one can purchase a school tie at the school office for £8.00.

### **Current COVID-19 Mitigations:**

A reminder that the following mitigations remain in place for the moment:

- Face coverings must continue to be worn at all times (indoors) for staff and pupils in secondary schools, unless medically exempt. Please ensure your child brings a face mask and a spare to school with them each day. While we do have a stock of reusable masks to issue to pupils it would be really helpful if you could support by also reminding your child to check they have it before leaving the house.
- All young people are encouraged to do a lateral flow test twice a week. Test kits are issued every Friday afternoon to pupils and can also be collected on Wednesday lunchtimes from Mrs Campbell. If your child has lost their consent form they can collect one from the school office.



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- Emphasis on good hand hygiene – your child must sanitise their hands on entry to the building, when entering each class and regularly throughout the day.
- Your child should not attend school if they have any COVID symptoms.

### **Financial Supports for Families**

At Hillhead High we are committed to reducing the cost of the school day for pupils and families and have done a lot of work over the past few years to remove as many barriers as possible. For example, we have reduced the cost of uniform and PE kit; have free sanitary products available in school; fully fund all S4 wider achievement options including Duke of Edinburgh; have a stock of new and second hand clothing and uniform available and also have our own hardship fund. Last week all S1 pupils were issued with a pack of resources in Maths and the calculator issued with this pack is suitable for pupils to use throughout the senior phase too. We know it has been a challenging time for many families and we would encourage you to get in touch with your child's Pastoral Care Teacher if there is something we can do to support. Information on how to apply for Free School Meals and Clothing Grant and Educational Maintenance Allowance (EMA) can be found here on Glasgow City Council's website: <https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=17885>

As you may be aware the school has a Financial Inclusion Support Officer (FISO), Nicola McCaskill, who is there to support parents and carers with a range of financial matters. The service is confidential and Nicola has already helped many of our families. If you have any questions about financial supports, such as applying for Free School Meals, Universal Credit, EMA etc. then please do contact Nicola who will be more than happy to help.

**Phone number: 0141 648 2022    Email: [schools@money mattersweb.co.uk](mailto:schools@money mattersweb.co.uk)**

### **Financial Inclusion Support Officer**

*If you are on a low income and have children at school you may be entitled to financial support.  
For FREE ADVICE and additional information regarding your financial situation  
it may be worth speaking to the Financial Inclusion Support Officer.*

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### College Courses

A range of college courses have now begun for senior pupils and all information has been shared with pupils via their year group Teams page as well as in person. Pupils have been reminded of the importance of checking their Teams page on a daily basis for updates. If you have any queries, please contact Mr Richardson.

### Pupil Leadership Update

This afternoon S1-S5 pupils will be electing their Pupil Council representative for this year. On Monday 30th, pupils who applied to be part of the S6 Leadership team will take part in a Leadership workshop to help appoint our School Captains, Vice-Captains, Prefects and Ambassadors. S6 Duke of Edinburgh expeditions will begin on Wednesday and will continue over the next few weeks. Pupils will be informed via Teams which dates they should attend their expedition. This is part of our S6 induction and Leadership Programme and will give our S6 pupils a great start to their final year at Hillhead High.

### Contact Information

Below are contact email addresses for members of the senior leadership team and the Pupil Support Team. You can also contact the school office by phone on 0141 582 0100. Please note that all of the staff below also have a teaching commitment so may not be available when you call / email but they will get back to you as soon as they can.

For this school year the Depute Head Teachers for each year group are:

**S1 & S2 pupils:** Mrs Campbell [gw10campbellharriet@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw10campbellharriet@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

**S3 pupils** – Mr Brown [gw17brownstuart@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw17brownstuart@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

**S4& S5 pupils** – Mr Neil [gw10neilsteven@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw10neilsteven@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

**S6 pupils** – Miss Black [gw15blackleanne@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw15blackleanne@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

### Pupil Support Team

Pastoral Care Responsibilities Session 2021-22									
<b>Ms K. Campbell</b>	1A	1B	2A	3E	4E	5E	6D	6E	
<b>Mr J. Greechan</b>		1F	2D	3C	4C	4D	5C	5D	6C
<b>Mr B. Griffin</b>		1C	2B	2C	3B	4F	5F	6F	6G
<b>Ms. J Hewitt</b>		1D	3A	3D	4B	5B	6B		
<b>Ms. L Robinson</b>		1E	2E	2F	3F	4A	5A	6A	



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Mr Griffin – [BGriffin@hillheadhigh.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:BGriffin@hillheadhigh.glasgow.sch.uk)  
Ms Campbell – [KCampbell@hillheadhigh.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:KCampbell@hillheadhigh.glasgow.sch.uk)

**Support for Learning, EAL and Nurture:**

Miss McGuire - [gw17mcguiresiobhan@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw17mcguiresiobhan@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

**Questions about Wider Achievement, College, Work Experience, Foundation  
Apprenticeships & Careers:** Mr Richardson - [gw12richardsonjack@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:gw12richardsonjack@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk)

Yours sincerely,

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