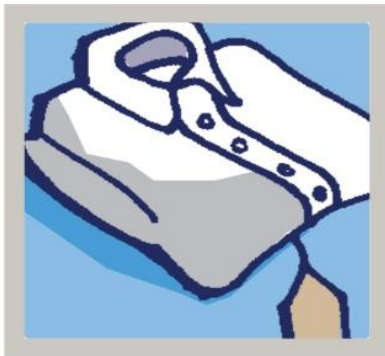




# The Cost of the School Day

## Information Booklet



As a school we are committed to reducing the cost of the school day. A lot of work has also been done by staff, pupils, and our parent council to promote sustainability and encourage recycling across the school, including buying second hand. Hopefully this information booklet will give you an idea of the support available to families.



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# Hillhead High Uniform Items and Clothing

## Free/New Recycled Uniform and Clothing Store

The school has a store of uniform and casual clothing which is accessible free of charge. This is part of our initiative to become more sustainable, and we have good quality second hand uniform stock available, as well as other clothing including jackets, shoes, school bags etc. We also have a wide range of brand new clothing. This is all free of charge and can be accessed without question.

Please speak with your child's Pastoral Care teacher to learn more about how to access this support.



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## Resources Support

We have stationery, study materials, school bags, textbooks and study guides available for pupils who may benefit from these resources. All pupils are given an ipad and every year our new S1 pupils are given a settling in pack of resources.



## WiFi Support

We can provide support to pupils if they have no WiFi access at home or if there is a temporary issue with their WiFi.

## Hardship Fund

We have been able to support families who are struggling financially due to generous donations from parents and funds raised through our parent council

*Please speak to Pastoral Care if your child would benefit from any of the above support.*



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## FISO (Financial Inclusion Support Officer)



Nicola McCaskill is the FISO at Hillhead High. You can get in touch with Nicola directly or if you would like more information, please contact your child's Pastoral Care teacher. Nicola can offer advice on the following:

**Tel: 0141 648 2022    email: [schools@money mattersweb.co.uk](mailto:schools@money mattersweb.co.uk)**

- Benefits Advice, including Universal Credit, Disability Benefits, Council Tax Reduction
- Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)
- Free School Meals and Clothing Grant
- Bank Accounts
- Free Bus Travel
- Child Disability Benefit
- Young Carers Grant



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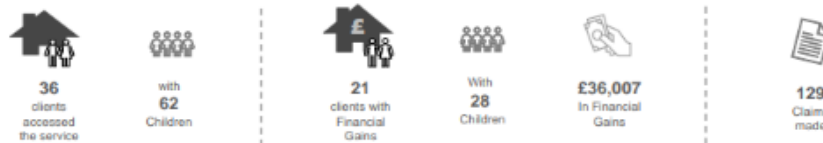
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Our FISO has helped a number of Hillhead High families to claim a range of benefits and/or support with debt management.

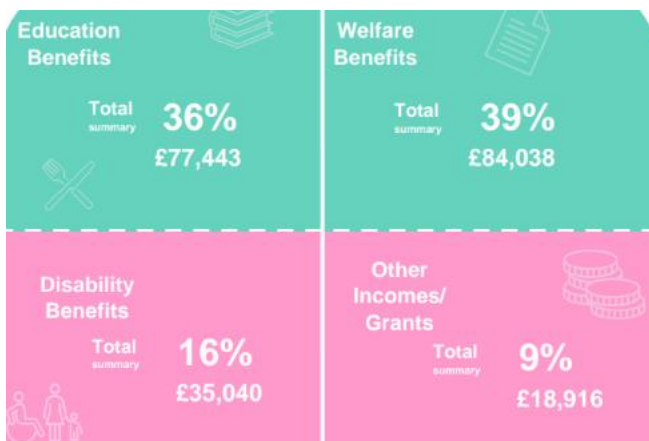
Below are the supports families received between April 2023 and September 2023

#### Fiso in 2023 01/04/23 – 31/09/23



Below are the supports families have received in total between April 2021 and September 2023

#### Fiso Total summary



#### Priority Groups.....

Lone Parent Families



Disabled



36%

Families which include a disabled adult or child

Larger Families  
Families with 3 or more children



29%

Minority Ethnic



64%



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# Free School Meals and Clothing Grant



## Free School Meals

Your child may be entitled to free school meals. If your child receives free school meals, you may also be eligible for support during the school holidays. Please see the below link for more information and how to apply.

<https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=17885>

## Clothing Grant

Families on low incomes may be eligible to receive a School Clothing Grant award of £120 for a Primary aged child or £150 for a Secondary aged child. The award is given annually to assist with the cost of purchasing essential school clothing for families who are on a qualifying benefit.

Please see the following link for more information and full details on how to apply

<https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/article/17885/Clothing-Grants-and-Free-School-Meals>



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## Under 22 Free Travel Scheme



Led by The Scottish Government, young people in Scotland aged under 22 years old are entitled to free bus travel.

- To access the scheme you must apply for a new National Entitlement Card (NEC) card.
- Those aged between 5-15 must have a parent, guardian, or carer apply for a new NEC card on their behalf. Those aged between 16-21 should apply themselves.
- It's important that you apply for your new NEC Card in order to access the travel scheme, as old Young Scot Cards will not be accepted, and you will be required to pay your fare as normal.

Apply here: <https://getyournec.scot/nec/>

## Duke of Edinburgh Support



At Hillhead High we are extremely proud to be able to offer the Duke of Edinburgh Award completely free of charge. We also have a large supply of equipment that is free for pupils to access. This means that the DofE Award at Hillhead High school is truly inclusive and open to all.



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## Period Equity

In Hillhead High we always ensure there are free period products for pupils to access easily during term time and for over the school holiday period. We also work closely with our local primary schools, to ensure they have access to free period products for all pupils too. We promote this regularly in school in order to make sure there is no stigma attached to accessing these products free of charge.



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## Say “Yes” to the Hillhead Dress & “Aye to the Tie”



Prom can be an expensive event for families. We have ensured the cost of prom ticket has been kept low and decided it was very important to keep the cost of prom outfits low too. In the month of May 2022, Miss King and our S6 Prom Committee set up a Prom Boutique for S6 pupils to come along and experience the fun of trying on prom items with their friends - without the cost! As a result of generous donations from our school community we had a range of prom clothing and accessories that could be borrowed free of charge. If any items were donated and not borrowed that year, they were kept for the following year. The event was very successful, therefore we ran it again in Spring 2023.

We will be looking for donations again in Spring 2024, so please keep your prom outfits and if you have anything you would like to donate, we will send information out nearer the time. We will take donations of outfits, shoes, bags, jewellery and hairpieces.



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## Contact Information

If there is anything at all we can do to support with the cost of the school day, please don't hesitate to get it touch with your child's Pastoral Care Teacher, either by phoning the school on 0141 582 0100 or by email.

### Pastoral Care Responsibilities

#### Session 2023-24

<b>Ms K Campbell</b>	1A	1F	2A	3A	3B	4A	5E	6E
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<b>Ms H Christie</b>	1E	2F	3C	4B	4C	5B	6F	
<b>Ms J Hewitt</b>	1B	2E	5A	5D	6B			
<b>Ms C McCarthy</b>	2B	3D						
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