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Head Teacher
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August 24

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to have been appointed as Head Teacher of Lochend Community High School and very much look forward to working with our young people, families, staff and community partners to ensure the highest quality experiences for our young people.

We have very much enjoyed welcoming our new S1 pupils and all other young people to school following the Summer Break.

SQA Results

Our young people received their SQA results on Tuesday, 6th August 2024. Pastoral Care staff were available on Thursday 8th August 2024 to discuss any option changes and young people had a further opportunity to discuss this and agree changes on their first week back.

Change of Depute Head Teacher

From August Rosie Woods, current Faculty Head of Science here in Lochend, will be Acting Depute Head Teacher with responsibility for the Enhanced Nurture Provision.

As always your first point of contact will be with your young person's Pastoral Care Teacher.

Pastoral Care Staff

Your young person sees their Pastoral Care Teacher once a week in Personal and Social Education and they know your young person really well. Their allocated Pastoral Care Teacher is ideally placed to answer and questions and should always be your first point of contact with the school.

S1 Parents / Carers will have the opportunity to meet with Pastoral Care staff at the S1 Parents/Carers meeting on the 18th September. More details will follow. We hope you are able to join us.

Arran: Mr Burrows

Mull: Ms Gennings

ENP: Ms Bernier

Islay: Mrs Neil

Skye: Mr McGovern

School Dress Code

Our school uniform promotes a real sense of school identity, shared values, self-confidence and a shared sense of community. The uniform is actively supported by our young people and families and is of great benefit to our young people. Our Uniform supplier is Aspire Academy - www.aspireacademyglasgow.com

The school uniform is:

- White shirt
- School tie



- Black trousers (plain black shorts – not branded or cycling – can be worn along with white shirt or white polo shirt in warm weather)
- Black skirt
- Appropriate school footwear
- LCHS hoodie or plain black hoodie

Pupil Absence Procedures

Good attendance at school is integral to success and we are committed to ensuring that all pupils receive an education that gives them opportunities to achieve their full potential. Attendance at school is essential for this as it helps young people build positive relationships with peers and teachers, which fosters a supportive learning environment.

We understand there are times when your young person may not be able to attend school for various reasons. We have a legal responsibility to maintain accurate records of the pupil attendance and would therefore ask that you get in touch with us in one of the following ways whenever they are going to be absent from school:

1. Contact the Glasgow City Council absence reporting line on 0141 287 0039
2. Contact the LCHS school office on 0141 582 0170
3. Message the school phones on:
4. Arran and Mull: 07468 351 166
5. Islay and Skye: 07500 572 375
6. Email your young person's pastoral care teacher:

Arran House – sburrows@lochendcommunityhigh.glasgow.sch.uk

Islay House – neil@lochendcommunityhigh.glasgow.sch.uk

Mull House – mgennings@lochendcommunityhigh.glasgow.sch.uk

Skye House – jmcgovern@lochendcommunityhigh.glasgow.sch.uk

Community Football Partnership

Following the previous success of our Community Football Partnership, we are delighted to be offering this programme again this session. The programme provides 3 periods of input from Glasgow Life each week and runs in partnership with FARE. It involves a mixture of practical football sessions as well as classroom-based sessions. This year the programme will be open to pupils in S1-3. Further information will be available on our social media channels in the coming weeks.

PE Kit

It is important that pupils come prepared to learn and for PE this requires appropriate clothing. Young people must bring/wear a change of clothing to participate in PE. Please speak with your child's Pastoral Care Teacher if they require these items and we will do all we can to support this. Pupils will be provided with clean PE kit to participate in if they do not have this with them. All jewellery should be removed. Pupils who are not participating in PE must have a note or a medical certificate. Pupils who are unable to participate in practical PE should still bring their kit to allow them to assist in the lesson by refereeing, keeping scores or assisting with the distribution of equipment. This ensures that they are still able to take



part in some way in the work of the class and do not miss out on the knowledge and understanding of the course.

There are forms of dress that are unacceptable in school, such as items of clothing which:

- Potentially encourage conflict (such as football colours)
- Could cause offence (such as anti-religious symbolism or political slogans)
- Could cause health and safety difficulties (such as loose-fitting clothing, jewellery)
- Could cause damage to flooring
- Carry advertising particularly for alcohol or tobacco
- Could be used to inflict damage on other pupils
- Crocs (including sports crocs) are not appropriate footwear for PE. Please speak with your child's Pastoral Care Teacher if you require appropriate footwear for your child and we will do all we can to support this.
- Finger nails should be of a length the don't inhibit performance or present a risk to self or others

Toilets

We will be supporting our young people to develop the skills for life and work and encouraging them to use the school toilet facilities at break times and lunchtimes in order to maximise learning time. Young people with medical conditions or health reasons will be able to use the toilet when required and parents should seek a toilet pass from their Pastoral Care Teacher in line with medical advice.

Summer Supports

As part of the summer programme, Claire Wilson (FARE Scotland Community Worker) organised several activities for the young people to take part in, such as a week-long residential trip, cinema trips, sports, etc. This was a positive experience for all the young people who took part.

Parent Pay and Parent Portal Support

Please come along to our drop in session for any support regarding Parent Pay and Parent Portal support on Wednesday 21st August at 3.15pm-4.15pm. Our Office staff will be happy to help in any way.

Thank you again for your support and I very much look forward to working with you this session.

Katy Anderson
Head Teacher

