



We are looking forward to welcoming your child to Keith Grammar School in August. With restrictions due to the pandemic still in place we are planning virtual events to introduce Primary 7 students to our school. This term we will focus on introducing key adults from our Pupil Support Team to the young people in Primary 7. Young people can also meet and communicate with their guidance teacher virtually. If restrictions change we may be back in touch with you with amended arrangements.

### Microsoft Teams

Our first virtual event will be the formation of Microsoft Teams. In the next week or so young people will be notified that they have been added to a team. There will be two teams, one for each of the houses at Keith Grammar School; Kynoch and Laidlaw. If your child has not been allocated to a team please let us or their teacher know and we will add them to the correct team.

### Key Adults

Key adults from the Pupil Support Team will also be part of the team. Young People will meet their Guidance teacher who will introduce themselves on the team. Ms Innes is Principal Teacher of Guidance for Kynoch House and Mrs Jex and Mrs Gatenby are the Principal Teachers of Guidance for Laidlaw House. Mrs Bain, Depute Head Teacher, is the Year Head for S1 pupils in 2021. Mrs Main is the Depute Head Teacher for Pupil Support. Iain Grieve, our Inclusion Project Coordinator, and Lynne Geddes, Senior Youth Worker, will also be on the team and will post activities. We will all be encouraging young people to say hello, introduce themselves and engage with the activities.

### Transition Website

We will launch our website on the team. Our website can be accessed through Google on Glow. Teachers and support staff have posted information on the website and there is a virtual tour of the school. Unfortunately, due to the restrictions we may be unable to provide a tour of the building for P7 pupils this year. Some young people may be worried about getting lost but there will be plenty of people standing by to help and make sure the young people find their way round the building. There is no need to worry about getting lost!

### Buddies

All new S1 students will be allocated a buddy. The buddy will show young people around the school and make sure they get to the right place. They will also answer any questions and help in any way they can.

### The Loft

Activities are planned for some schools for the summer months if restrictions are lifted. Sharon Duncan, manager of The Loft Project, and Amanda Walker, Active Schools, plan to have events and activities which also include some of the pupils from the Sports Committee at Keith Grammar School. Amanda, Sharon and her



team introduce themselves on the Transition Website. Further details of planned activities will be given in due course and involve the smaller rural schools.

### Literacy

Mrs Sangster, Principal Teacher of English, and Mr Leitch, School Librarian, will also be included in each house team. They will post activities which develop literacy skills. Keep a look out for these activities being posted on the team.

### Extended Transition

Some students in primary school have already embarked on the Enhanced Transition Programme which is co-ordinated by Mrs Campbell, Principal Teacher of Additional Support Needs. The students will have met Mrs Campbell already and some may have visited Keith Grammar School. Depending on the restrictions, we are hoping to continue the visits which have been planned for a small group of young people who are on the programme.