Keith Grammar School

P7 Transition

Information for Parents-Update 24 June 2021



We held a virtual parent meeting this week and it was lovely to see parents who were able to attend. In usual times we would have welcomed you to school at the end of the transition days. We are really disappointed our transition days could not go ahead this year. Here is a summary of the information given at the meeting.

Introductions

Mr Alan Bruce, Head Teacher, attended in addition to myself, Mrs Jex, Principal Teacher of Laidlaw, Ms Donna Innes, Principal Teacher of Guidance (Kynoch), Mrs Emma Campbell, Principal Teacher of ASN and Mr Iain Grieve, Inclusion Coordinator

Timetables

All young people in P7 should now have their Timetable and a map of the school.

Home learning

We are currently using a Show My Homework App. You will see the homework task issued to your child and the date the work is due.

Progress in learning

We will report to you during the year on your child's progress. This report will include indicators for effort, behaviour and homework.

Promoting Positive Behaviour

Teachers can issue reminders to young people to amend their behaviour and focus on the task in hand. If three reminders are given the young person will usually be transferred from the class to work in another area of the school.

The School Day

Monday-Thursday

P1 08 45-09 35

P2 09 35-1025

INTERVAL 10 25-10 40

P3 10 40-11 30

P4 11 30-12 20

LUNCH 12 20-13 10

P5 13 10-1400

P6 14 00-14 50

P7 14 50-15 40

Friday

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School Uniform

We are keen to reduce the cost of the school day. Uniform will be a black jumper and black skirt or trousers. The Parent Council have given P7 pupils KGS school ties and they have been distributed to primary schools.

The Loft

Consent forms for The Loft programme are available on our website.

Lunchtime

S1 pupils will be on site at lunchtime and, to allow settling in time, we will not be permitting visits to Tesco to start with. The school canteen menu and price lists are available on the school website. Pupils can also take a packed lunch if they prefer. Once our computer systems receive the P7 details during the holidays we will distribute the codes to you for the Fusion App. School canteen items can be ordered and paid for by this app. The codes will be available during the last week of the holidays.

Attendance procedures

This is outlined in our school handbook which can be found in our website. Please let us know if your child will be absent by emailing or phoning the school in the morning.

First Day

Mrs Jex and I have posted pictures of the doors to the school on Teams. Teachers will meet \$1 pupils at the pupil entrance and introduce them to their buddies. Periods 1 and 2 will be suspended while \$1 students have a tour of the school and meet teachers. They will get to know their buddies who will be looking after them during the first week and taking them from class to class. Please reassure your child that there will be teachers and buddies around to show them where to go.

Questions from parents

Will someone be meeting them off the bus on the first day?

Yes. Staff and buddies will meet pupils at the bus and show them where to go in the morning.

When will we find out about buses?

The PTU will be in touch with you about buses. It can be later in the holidays before you hear from them.

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Will PE kit still need to be worn?

We anticipate Covid restrictions will be in place but will have more information about arrangements in PE nearer the start of term.

I wish you and your family a lovely holiday and look forward to welcoming your child to the school in August.

Laura Main

Depute Head Teacher