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Dear Parent / Carer,

It is difficult to believe that we are fast approaching the end of yet another successful school session. My first year as Head Teacher in our school has been a very rewarding one. When I first wrote to you in August I had a lot to find out about as you'll understand but I am now fully aware of just how privileged I am to be able to work with our community on a daily basis. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support and I look forward to the exciting challenges, opportunities and experiences that lie ahead of us next session.

Our school session will end on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 1pm** and the 2017-18 school session will begin for all pupils on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August at the normal time of 8.55am**.

On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August (first day of the new session) we will also be introducing the new Chryston High School ties – please see the picture at the top of the letter. Whilst we take great pride in our strong culture, traditions and heritage, our community felt that it is an appropriate time to invest in and consider something that represents our future. This is in the context of our revised school aims (improving learning and building capacity) and our refreshed school values (integrity, compassion, ambition, respect and equity). To choose our new school ties, each tutor class created a design for what they felt the new school tie should look like. This was then reduced to 21 finalists as considered and selected by pupils, staff and the Parent Council. There were 3 distinct winners, and we will now embed all of these ties into our school uniform. The S1-S3 designed by Leah Nelson in C12 and the S4-5 tie was designed by Dillon Coulson.

Our third tie, the new S6 Prefect tie has allowed us to design our very own Chryston High tartan which is now formally registered as an official Scottish tartan. To help celebrate the launch of our new ties in August, as Head Teacher, I will purchase and present every pupil with their new tie. As always, all pupils will be expected to report to school in full uniform on 17<sup>th</sup> August including the current school tie which will be replaced at an assembly that day. This gives me a further opportunity to ask for your support in maintaining our excellent standard of school uniform, something that is often commented on positively by visitors to our school. Our uniform consists of:

- Chryston High School blazer
- Black formal school shoes
- Black formal school trousers or shorts (denim material not part of the school uniform policy), black skirt
- White formal school shirt/blouse
- Chryston High School Tie
- Black or dark coloured jacket during winter months/inclement weather

Furthermore, for your information and to assist with your planning ahead for next session I have attached a copy of next session's Parent Calendar (reverse side of this sheet). It can also be found on the school website. Finally, I'd like to thank all pupils, staff and parents for their continued tremendous support and hard work. I wish all associated with Chryston High School a very happy and restful summer and I look forward to welcoming everyone back to school eager to learn and improve in August.

Yours faithfully,

*Jonny Mitchell*

Jonny Mitchell, Head Teacher



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