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## **Welcome to Session 2024-2025**

Dear Parent / Carer,

I hope that you have enjoyed a restful and enjoyable break over the summer, and that our pupils are looking forward to returning to school at 8.50am on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> of August.

I am pleased to write to you with an update containing important information for the upcoming session.

### **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August**

#### **First Year Arrangements**

On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August we welcome First Year pupils to Trinity High School. I know this will be a very exciting time for our young people and their families and some may want to document this with photographs. I would encourage all pupils to meet at the pupil entrance to the school (Queen Street) and avoid anyone using the main school car park (Glebe Street) for drop offs / pick-ups. When the bell sounds at 8.50am S1 Pupils will be shown to the Assembly Hall for an assembly with Mr McEwan (Depute Head Teacher) and myself. Pupils in S1 will also be issued to appropriate ICT credentials etc. during the day. Parentpay information to activate the account will be given to pupils on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August. If you already have a ParentPay account, you will retain your existing account when your child moves to Trinity High School. You will need to log in to your existing account and add your child to Trinity High School to transfer their account. The system will then ask for an activation code. This will be provided in letter format to your child in school on Friday. Pupils will still be able to access the school cafeteria on Friday; their accounts will be debited, and this can be rectified once ParentPay is fully set up.

In the initial few days there will be slightly amended arrangements for S1 with regards to the time for lunch and moving around the school; this will ensure S1 pupils are fully settled in the school. At this stage of the year all S1 Pupils are asked to remain within the school grounds at interval and lunchtime; no S1 pupil should be out of school to buy lunch from the local shops. A review of this be undertaken once pupils have settled into the school.

#### **S2 – S6 Arrangements**

Pupils in S2-S6 should attend the location allocated to their class (attached to this letter). Timetables will be issued during period 1 alongside an online assembly with myself. Pupils



should bring appropriate materials (including PE Kit) on the first day to ensure they are prepared and ready to learn. If there are any queries with regards to options these should be discussed with the Principal Teacher of Pastoral Support at interval, lunch or during Social Education. **Pupils should attend the class on their timetable until this has been updated and a new timetable reissued.**

## **Uniform**

We believe that our uniform promotes equity, school identity, shared values, self-confidence, and a shared sense of community. It helps to establish respect between pupils and staff and reinforce the values embedded within Trinity High School. I would like to thank you for your continued support of our uniform policy. I have outlined the uniform for our school below.

- Blazer
- Black trousers or skirt (**no leggings**)
- White shirt
- Black V-neck jumper (**optional but no hooded sweatshirts or outdoor jackets to be worn in class**)
- Plain black shoes (**no white trainers or baseball boots / shoes**)
- School tie

As part of our commitment to be a 'Laudato Si School' and look after our common home we offer a sustainable 'Uniform Exchange'. This is hosted in The Coorie and is available all year round. If you would like to donate any items to this resource, please hand these into the school office.

You may be entitled to support in the form of Free School Meals and / or Clothing Grant. Information regarding the criteria for these as well as how to apply for this session is contained in the link below:

<https://www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/article/3338/Free-school-meals-and-clothing-grants>

## **Home-School Communication**

It is our commitment to continually improve our communication between the school and home. A wide range of useful information can be found on our website <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/re/trinityhighschool/> and our X Page (@Trinityrenfrew). In addition to this, there will be regularly updates and newsletters issued. I would like to encourage you to engage with the Satchel One platform which will be used by classes, departments and the school to post updates daily.

This session I would ask that all families register with ParentsPortal. Parentsportal.scot is a digital service to enhance communication between parents, carers, and schools through online services. This portal aims to provide a comprehensive range of tools related to your child's education, making services more efficient and accessible.

The platform allows the school to share information such as academic reports, attendance, and timetables in real time. We will trial the use of this for targeted reports (instead of printing them) during this session. For more information and to register please visit the website below:



<https://www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/article/10557/ParentsPortal>

Last session I provided an update regarding changes to our House Structure. The key change to note is that our Depute Headteachers (DHTs) will have responsibility for supporting pupils within specified House Groups (not Year Groups, as they did previously). They will, therefore, be known as “Heads of House”.

If you would like to speak to a member of staff about your child, you should contact the appropriate House Team (either Head of House or Pastoral Teacher). Our House Teams are below:

	St. Andrew	St. Columba	St. Margaret	St. Therese
Head of House	Mr. McEwan	Mrs. McElroy	Mr. Wilson	Ms. Monaghan
PT. Pastoral	Mr. McInnes	Dr. McGuire	Mrs. Todesco	Mrs. Adams

### **SQA 2024**

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our pupils on their recent SQA results; we are, as always, very proud of their successes, as we value achievement in all of its many forms.

Ms. Monaghan (DHT) has written to parents and carers of pupils in S4 – S6 regarding this year’s appeals process. If you require any more information, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

### **Mobile Telephones**

After the successful introduction last session, we will continue with our mobile phone policy as outlined below.

All phones will be handed to the class teacher who will safely store them in purposely bought storage boxes until the end of the lesson. Of course, this is not a total removal of mobile phone access: pupils will have access to their mobile phones before the start of every school day, during intervals and lunchtimes, and at the end of every school day, but this approach has allowed us to create a calmer and more productive learning environment in every class for every pupil in Trinity High School.

If there is ever an urgent message you need to get to your child, please contact the office. Otherwise, they will always be able to catch up with you at the end of the lesson. There is no expectation for pupils to bring mobile telephones to school and *do so at their own risk of damage etc.* however if they do decide to bring a phone to school, we will ask for full cooperation with the policy above.

I would like to take this opportunity once again to thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to the new session ahead and the exciting opportunities which will be offered to the young people within Trinity High School.

Yours faithfully



*P. Marshall*

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Head Teacher



Timetables Issued Friday Period 1:

Class	Department	Teacher
2.1	English	Mrs McNally
2.2	English	Miss Duggan
2.3	English	Mrs Clarke
2.4	English	Miss McBride
2.5	English	Miss Nelson
2.6	English	Mrs Downie
2.7	English	Mrs MacNeil

Class	Department	Teacher
3.1	Maths	Miss MacDonald
3.2	Maths	Mrs Fowler
3.3	Maths	Mr Patterson
3.4	Maths	Mrs O'Day
3.5	Maths	Mrs Dillon
3.6	Maths	Mrs McLaughlin
3.7	Maths	Mrs McLaren

Class	Department	Teacher
4.1	Social Subjects	Mr Mauchlen
4.2	Social Subjects	Miss Stewart
4.3	Social Subjects	Mr McDowell
4.4	Social Subjects	Mrs Copeland
4.5	Social Subjects	Miss Hamilton
4.6	Social Subjects	Mrs Anderson
4.7	RE	Mr La Monica

Class	Department	Teacher
5.1	Languages	Mrs Goldie
5.2	Languages	Mrs Thouard
5.3	Languages	Mrs Todesco
5.4	Languages	Miss Kerr
5.5	RE	Mrs McKillop

Class	Department	Teacher
6.1	Science	Mr Sethi
6.2	Science	Mr Kelly
6.3	Science	Mrs Campbell
6.4	Science	Miss Dyson

