



Lornshill Academy

Update from the Year Heads



Monday 3rd Oct 2022

Respect

Integrity

Compassion

As we start our final week of the term at Lornshill, please note that we have a two week October break this year. This will be the norm for the years ahead but marks a change from last year's school calendar.

Please remember that the S3 and S4 Parents' Evenings take place sharply after the October break. These will be in-person events and further information will be issued in due course about booking and how to do this. We anticipate that demand for this event will be high and therefore urge families to do this promptly to avoid disappointment.

Staff across the school have been working hard over the past few weeks inputting their information about student progress into Didbook. This information will provide advice to you and your child about how best to improve their learning in each of their subject areas and should be reviewed regularly. Should you have any difficulties accessing Didbook, please contact Mr Burrell using the details at the bottom of this update.

Challenge Poverty Week 2022 3rd - 9th October

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WEEK



As this week is Challenge Poverty Week in Scotland we would like to highlight some of the fantastic work being done in our school to tackle this important issue. Throughout the school, we have a selection of "Grab what you need" trollies that include items such as toiletries, school equipment and snacks – these items are available on a no questions asked basis and have been used well by students. We are also grateful for the work of our Parent Council in ensuring additional funding to help keep these trollies stocked.

We would also like to take opportunity to remind you of our school uniform policy. Our uniform is a black blazer, white school shirt with a school tie, black trousers or skirt, black jumper or cardigan with no logos and plain black footwear. We are always happy to help if needed and should you require any support with any of this then please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

The Parent Council will be hosting an online parent information session with Mr Black tomorrow at 7pm - 8:15pm. This is a great opportunity for families to find out what's happening in school, ask questions and to give feedback. Mr Black has been asked to provide an update on:

- General school updates including staffing and the use of mobile phones
- School Improvement Plans
- Parent Focus Groups
- Plans for School trips
- Lunchtime arrangements (queues / seating)

If you are interested in attending, please register using the form link below <https://forms.gle/tWhJ1dnVDWAmDapN8>
These meetings are held on GoogleMeet and are informal, so you can keep your camera / mic off if you prefer.

We would like to remind students and their families about our mobile phones policy as we have encountered a few issues relating to this over the past few weeks. Mobile phones are not permitted to be used at all in our corridors or classrooms. They should remain in students' bags (out of sight) or be handed into the teacher at the beginning of each period if this is not possible. Should there be an issue with this, then contact will be made with home to address the issue.

As always, we are grateful for your ongoing support and please do not hesitate to get in touch should you have any questions.

Kind regards and stay safe,
The Year Heads



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