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Dear Parents and Carers

Virtual Headteacher Post

Education authorities have a statutory responsibility to secure improvement in the quality of school education. (Standards in Scotland's Schools Act, 2000).

To ensure we meet the needs of all our young people, we have recently appointed a Virtual Headteacher in Clackmannanshire, whose role is to support young people from a care experienced background, as well as those who are struggling with long-term issues regarding attendance and engagement in school.

This will involve collaborating with each of the Headteachers of our Academies and the Clackmannanshire School Support Service, to identify those young people who need this additional support and to develop plans for them, so that they have access to an enriching curriculum, delivered by an appropriate range of partners and to overcome any potential barriers to their immediate and long term achievement.

As this new role becomes embedded, it is anticipated that regular review of the impact will help to determine what makes a difference when seeking to improve outcomes for our young people.

Our new Virtual Headteacher, Forbes Maginnis, will take up post on Monday 17th April 2023. Should your young person be identified as a learner who would benefit from this support, you will be contacted directly regarding this.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Colin Bruce".

Colin Bruce
Chief Education Officer