



30th April 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Lochside Academy Update

As we move ever closer to our opening date on Thursday 23rd August 2018, I am writing to update you on a number of matters.

Uniform

I have attached a uniform list and order form. Polo shirts, sweatshirts and blazers can be purchased from Pomprint online at www.pomprintdesigns.com or by using the order form attached with this letter.

New school day

Details of our school day can be found below:

	Registration	Period 1	Period 2	Interval	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5	Lunch	Period 6	Period 7
Monday	8.35 - 8.45	8.45 - 9.35	9.35 - 10.25	10.25 - 10.45	10.45 - 11.35	11.35 - 12.25	12.25 - 1.15	1.15 - 2.05	2.05 - 2.55	2.55 - 3.45
Tuesday	8.35 - 8.45	8.45 - 9.35	9.35 - 10.25	10.25 - 10.45	10.45 - 11.35	11.35 - 12.25	12.25 - 1.15	1.15 - 2.05	2.05 - 2.55	2.55 - 3.45
Wednesday	8.35 - 8.45	8.45 - 9.35	9.35 - 10.25	10.25 - 10.45	10.45 - 11.35	11.35 - 12.25	12.25 - 1.15	Lunch	Period 5	Period 6
Thursday	8.35 - 8.45	8.45 - 9.35	9.35 - 10.25	10.25 - 10.45	10.45 - 11.35	11.35 - 12.25	12.25 - 1.15	1.15 - 2.05	2.05 - 2.55	
Friday	8.35 - 8.45	8.45 - 9.35	9.35 - 10.25	10.25 - 10.45	10.45 - 11.35	11.35 - 12.25	12.25 - 1.15	1.15 - 2.05	2.05 - 2.55	

Each school day, Monday-Friday, will start with a registration period from 8.35am-8.45am. Pupils will be expected to arrive at their registration class ready for the 8.35am start.

Following this ten minute period, pupils will then go to their Period 1 class, which will run from 8.45am – 9.35 am, followed by Period 2 from 9.35am – 10.25am. This will be followed by morning break from 10.25am – 10.45am **(Please note pupils will not be allowed to leave the school grounds during their morning break).**

After morning break on a Monday and a Tuesday, pupils will have three periods (Period 3, 10.45am -11.35am; Period 4, 11.35am – 12.25pm; Period 5, 12.25pm -1.15pm.) On Monday and Tuesday, lunch will be from 1.15pm – 2.05pm **(Pupils can leave the school grounds during lunch should they wish).**

After morning break on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, pupils will have two periods (Period 3, 10.45am -11.35am; Period 4, 11.35am – 12.25am.) On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday lunch will be from 12.25pm – 1.15pm **(Pupils can leave the school grounds during the lunch should they wish)**

After lunch break on a Monday and Tuesday, pupils will have two periods (Period 6, 2.05pm – 2.55pm and Period 7, 2.55pm – 3.45pm.) **School will finish on Monday and Tuesday at 3.45pm.**

After lunch break on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, pupils will have two periods (Period 5, 1.15pm – 2.05pm and Period 6, 2.05pm – 2.55pm.) **School will finish on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 2.55pm.**

Transport

Update from Aberdeen City Council:

Following the decisions by the Education and Children's Services Committee in November to provide free transport to the school for pupils in Torry, Kincorth and Leggart, and a supported bus service for pupils in Cove, officers have been progressing with the arrangements, including identifying the bus stops and routes that the buses will use, and the arrangements for providing pupils with bus passes.

Meetings have been set up with representatives from the parent councils and from the community councils, and details of the arrangements will be shared with this group and with all parents as soon as they have been finalised.

Pupil Tours

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| 20 th June | P7 transition day at RGU, Garthdee. All P7 pupils will visit Lochside.
P7 Parents Evening (venue to be confirmed) |
| 25 th June | New S2 Tour of Lochside am
New S3 Tour of Lochside pm |
| 26 th June | New S4 Tour of Lochside am
New S5/6 Tour of Lochside pm |

All pupils will be bussed from their current school to visit the new school.

Yours faithfully,



Neil Hendry
HEAD TEACHER