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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you are all well and have some well needed rest planned for over the Easter break. I am writing to give you a few updates before we break off for our holiday.

Staffing Update

In my parental update on Thursday 12 February I shared the news that Mrs Sharon Aitken will be retiring at the end of this academic year. In order to ensure a timely handover and for staff, parents and the young people to get to meet the new PT we have already interviewed for this position and been able to appoint a successful candidate.

- ***PT ASN (Enhanced Provision)*** – I can share that Miss Pamela Parrott, currently Acting PTG for Cluny was successful in interview last week for the position of PT ASN (Enhanced Provision). Mrs Parrott comes with a wealth of experience working with young people with complex needs and has been in a leadership position as PT ASN for over 6 years before joining us as Acting PTG. We look forward to Mrs Parrott joining our fantastic team in our Enhanced Provision!

We say goodbye to Mrs Simone Evans today as she leaves us to start Lhanbryde Primary School as Acting PT ASN shortly after the Easter break. We will miss her but wish her all the best in her new role.

- ***ASN Teacher –*** Miss Daisy Collins, currently working temporarily in our Support for Learning department was successful in interview last week and has now joined the department on a permanent basis. We are thrilled that Miss Collins will be staying with us on a permanent basis!

Our current Senior Leadership Team consists of:

- 1 Head Teacher (permanent)
- 2 Depute Head Teachers (permanent)
- 2 Acting Depute Head Teachers temporary until July 2027 (1 backfilling for Mr Duffy and 1 additional using interventions funding)

- ***Depute Head Teacher-*** We are pleased to share that we will be able to retain an additional Acting Depute Head Teacher to start in August. With our rising need in ASN across the whole school an additional DHT will be utilised to look at how we plan for the rising need and plan our interventions across the school.

Re-introduction of Registration

We have consulted staff, young people and listened to the feedback from parental surveys and we are re-introducing registration from timetable change on Monday 1 June. We will be trialling

this for a year and then looking to gather feedback from our school community. Young people will find out their Registration classes before timetable change.

The new school day from then will be as follows:

Monday-Thursday

- 08.45-08.55- Registration
- 08.55-09.45- Period 1
- 09.45-10.35- Period 2
- 10.35-10.50- Break
- 10.50-11.40- Period 3
- 11.40-12.30- Period 4
- 12.30-1.20- Period 5
- 1.20-2.00- Lunch
- 2.00-2.50- Period 6
- 14.50-15.40- Period 7

Friday

- 08.45-08.55- Registration
- 08.55-09.43- Period 1
- 09.43-10.31- Period 2
- 10.31-10.46- Break
- 10.46-11.34- Period 3
- 11.34-12.22- Period 4
- 12.22-13.10- Period 5

Save the Date

Our Parent Council will be hosting a Coffee Morning on Saturday 16 May at the High School. More information will be shared after Easter. It would be fantastic to see as many parents there as possible!

Have a great holiday everyone and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 13 April!

Kind regards,



Jemma Playfair

Head Teacher