

Viewforth High School

Windmill Community Campus, Windmill Road, Kirkcaldy, KY1 3AL

Head Teacher: Lisa Moore

Depute Head Teachers: June Greig, Alistair Stewart, Jack Wilson



Dear Parents and Carers

20 September 2022

I hope this letter finds you well, having enjoyed the bank holiday weekend.

Visits to Lessons

The Senior Leadership Team and I are visiting lessons each week to observe how well pupils are engaging and progressing in their learning. Last week I had the pleasure of spending time with pupils in S4, S5 and S6. This week I am focusing on S1 and I'm looking forward to talking to them about their learning and how well they are settling into life in Viewforth HS.

Assemblies

Our School Captains and House Captains led a series of assemblies to our S1, S2 and S3 pupils last week to commemorate the life of Her Majesty the Queen. The pupils listened respectfully to the presentation, and I was delighted by how well our Captains led the assemblies. We are planning to have many more pupil led assemblies this session to support the development of pupil confidence and presentation skills.

E-Sgoil Study Support

E-Sgoil is an online study support programme which offers live webinars together with additional resources to support learning in the senior school. Registration is now open for the live evening webinars and young people can register via this link [Digital learning from Comhairle Nan Eilean Siar | e-Sgoil](#). The young people need to be signed into Glow before accessing the link and they should check the timetable carefully before choosing the sessions they wish to attend.

Pupil Absence

A reminder that if your child is unwell or has an appointment and is unable to attend school, please telephone the school office on **01592 583408** and select **option 1** for the attendance line. If the line is engaged there is a facility to leave a message. Alternatively you can send a text message to **07860 030879**, stating your child's name and the reason for the absence. If your child does not arrive to class you will receive a Groupcall message informing you of their absence.

Child Protection

Our Child Protection Co-ordinators in school are Mr Jack Wilson (Depute Head Teacher) and Mrs Lesley Hill (Principal Teacher Curriculum). If you are concerned about a young person, please do not hesitate to contact either of these members of staff or your child's guidance teacher via the school office. If you need to share your concerns out with school hours, please contact Fife Social Work using the contact details below:

Social Work Contact Centre – 03451 551503

Out of Hours Social Work (evenings / weekends) – 03451 550099



viewforthhs.enquiries@fife.gov.uk
(01592) 583408

Free School Meals

If you are on a low income, Fife Council can help you with free school meals and a school clothing grant. The school clothing grant is £120.00 per child for primary school pupils and £150.00 per child for high school pupils.

To qualify for free school meals and a school clothing grant, you must be in receipt of one of the following:

- Income Support
- Job Seekers Allowance (Income Based)
- Employment and Support Allowance (Income Related)
- Child Tax Credit only with annual income below £17,005
- Child Tax Credit & Working Tax Credit with annual income below £7,920
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999
- Universal Credit, where monthly earned income does not exceed £660
- Long Term Incapacity Benefit (school clothing grant only)
- Widows Allowance – if not in full time employment (school clothing grant only)
- Child Tax Credit & Working Tax Credit with annual income below £17,005 (school clothing grant only)

You can apply via this link - [Apply for a school clothing grant and/or free school meals/milk | Fife Council](#) If you would like some support to complete the application, please contact your child's guidance teacher who will be happy to help.

Dates for your diary

If you would like to join us at a Parent Council meeting, please email the Chair Alex Tomlinson at viewforthparentcouncil@gmail.com who will send you an invitation to join the online meeting.

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| • Parent Council Meeting | Monday 26 th September |
| • Senior Phase Parents' Evening (1) | Wednesday 26 th October* |
| • Senior Phase Parents' Evening (2) | Tuesday 1 st November* |
| • Parent Council Meeting | Monday 7 th November |
| • In-service day (3) | Friday 18 th November |
| • Parent Council Meeting | Monday 5 th December |
| • S1 Parents' Evening | Thursday 8 th December* |
| • Parent Council Meeting | Monday 23 rd January |
| • S2 Parents' Evening | Wednesday 25 th January* |
| • S3 Parents' Evening | Tuesday 31 st January* |
| • In-service day (4) | Wednesday 15 th February |
| • Senior Phase Parents' Evening | Thursday 23 rd February* |
| • Parent Council Meeting | Monday 13 th March |
| • Parent Council Meeting | Monday 8 th May |
| • In-service day (5) | Tuesday 6 th June |
| • Parent Council Meeting | Monday 19 th June |

*Please note that this session we are returning to face-to-face parents' evenings in the school building. These will run between 4.30pm and 7pm and further information will be shared in advance of each evening.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'lmoore', written in a cursive style.

Mrs Lisa Moore
Head Teacher