

## Renfrew High School

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Dear Parent/Carer

### Improving Communication

As a school, we currently have various communication channels, which I understand can be confusing and at times can lead to missed information. I hope to streamline this and ask for your support in helping shape what this looks like. I would appreciate it if you could complete the following survey:

<https://forms.office.com/e/p6i2unqHud>

This survey will close on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October, at which point the Senior Leadership Team will review responses and devise a communications strategy that will be sent to the Parent Council for consultation before sharing more widely. Thank you, as ever, for your support with this.

I mentioned in a previous letter that we will be moving to the Parent Portal to share reporting of attendance and tracking data. As a team, we are still working in the background preparing this and will share more information in due course.

### Uniform

I want to thank you for your continued support in ensuring your young people attend school in appropriate uniform. The feedback from the young people has been extremely positive about the new uniform items and I want to remind you that there is no need to purchase everything on the list, just what suits your young person.

Thank you to those who have already sent in items for the Uniform Exchange. For anyone who has any school uniform items in good condition that you would like to donate, please hand them in at the school office.

### Senior Phase Pupils

Our senior pupils have started the session off well and I would like to take this opportunity to highlight the importance of home study to supplement homework set by teachers. It is essential that pupils keep on top of their work throughout the year rather than trying to cram later in the session. Information about prelims will be shared over the coming weeks and I would like to draw your attention to the [ACHIEVE](#) resource that has been purchased for use by all our senior pupils. Benefits of using ACHIEVE include:

- Study and revise using digital textbooks which cover a wide range of National 5 and Higher courses.
- Test your subject knowledge with interactive assessments that give you instant feedback.
- Identify strengths and weaknesses for each of your courses using the self-evaluation toolkit.
- Extend your learning using the free web links put together by our team of subject specialists.
- Develop your exam technique by trying SQA past paper questions and solutions.



## Dates for the Diary

- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September - Holiday
- Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September - Holiday
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October - S1 Progress Evening
- Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October - In-Service Day (School closed to pupils)
- 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> October - Holiday
- Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October - S5/6 Progress Evening (Details to be shared)
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November - S4 Progress Evening (Details to be shared)

Yours Sincerely

Andrew Sutherland  
Head Teacher



