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Dear Parent or Guardian,

### S1 Key Information for Parents/Carers

We are delighted at how well our young people have settled into first year. As you will probably be aware, for the first week staff from our Pupil Support Team shadowed each class and escorted them to and from each class, however as the week went on most if not all were happy to make their own way around the school building and are navigating our one way system very well.

Please find below some information which may be helpful in the coming weeks as your young person settles into life at Hyndland Secondary School. We will post regular communication for parents/carers on our school website at [www.hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk](http://www.hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk) as well as on our twitter page @Hyndlandsec.

### Contacting the school

As you will be aware from previous communication, due to guidance issued we are unable to facilitate parental meetings in the school building unless they are planned in advance. Your child's Pastoral Care Teacher will be your first main contact if you have any concerns or questions. They can be contacted either by email or by phoning the school office. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if there is anything you would like to discuss or to inform the school about. The details of each Pastoral Care Teacher are below for your information.

Class	House Group	Pastoral Care Staff	Email address
1K	Katrine	Mr Byrne	<a href="mailto:RByrne@hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk">RByrne@hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk</a>
1L	Lomond	Mrs Pollock	<a href="mailto:MPollock@hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk">MPollock@hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk</a>
1R1 & 1R2	Rannoch	Mrs Mills	<a href="mailto:CMills@hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk">CMills@hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk</a>
1T1 & 1T2	Torridon	Mr Carstairs	<a href="mailto:RCarstairs@hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk">RCarstairs@hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk</a>

If your child is going to be absent from school please contact the Pupil Absence Reporting Line from 7.45am onwards on **0141 287 0039**.

### Supporting learning at home – Satchel One

At Hyndland Secondary we use an online system to help parents/carers support their children at home with homework. The system allows parents/carers to see the details of tasks that your child has been set, the deadlines for submission and also if the homework has been submitted or not. Parents/carers will be asked to download a free app onto a mobile device. You will then be provided with login details to your personal account which is linked to your child's homework calendar where you will be able to see your child's To-do List and any homework that is overdue. To view all homework set without login details please visit **our school website on [www.hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk](http://www.hyndland-sec.glasgow.sch.uk)** the link for Show My Homework is on the front page. Please note if you are accessing Satchel One this way you will need to use the filter options at the top of the page to find your child's homework

S1 students can access their Show my Homework account via their Glow account which every young person has – if your son/daughter has any problem accessing their Glow account they should speak to either myself or their Business and Computing Teacher as a matter of urgency so that this can be rectified. We hope that this service will provide parents with a deeper insight into the homework your child receives. More importantly, we hope that it will improve your child's organisation, time-management and help them to keep on top of their workload.

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## Supporting Learning and Teaching – Pupil iPads

During the month of September any young person who does not yet have a school iPad (those out with our learning community primary schools) will be issued with one – in advance of this, all young people and families will be asked to sign a user agreement form – until this is returned we cannot issue an iPad to that student.

## School Lunch Provision

S1 pupils are not permitted to leave the school grounds at either morning interval or lunchtime meaning that your child will either require a packed lunch or are able to purchase food from our Fuel Zone and 'Hyndland Hut' which is located in the playground. As you will be aware from previous communication, Glasgow City Council has recently introduced a cashless system for this session. Schools can no longer accept cash for school meals. If a young person wishes to purchase food in school, parents/carers are required to complete a BACS transfer in advance. If you require further information regarding this, please speak to the school office on **0141 582 0130** who will be able to further details.

## News from the Maths Department

The Maths Department have requested if possible that all young people in S1 bring their own scientific calculator to school each lesson in Maths to avoid the sharing of equipment in lessons. If any family is unable to provide this please speak to your child's Pastoral Care Teacher who will be able to offer some support with this request. All young people in Maths are currently working in mixed ability classes at present and are working on basic numeracy concepts. Following the September weekend there will be some movement to the classes following a numeracy assessment where the young people will work in classes of broadly similar ability. These classes will not be fixed to allow opportunities for progress and movement throughout the broad general education.

## Promoting Positive Behaviour – School merit system

Young people in S1-S3 can be awarded merits in school for exceptional effort, positive attitude and behaviour. Staff can award these during lessons. Each fortnight we will update each student on their total merit count. Demerits can also be awarded if a young person does not follow our school expectations. We look forward to sharing updates on this during the session.

Please remember to keep in touch if there is anything concerning you at all about how your child is settling into Hyndland Secondary School – staff will always be here to help. Keep an eye out for the next monthly newsletter which will be sent out to parents via email in September.

Kind regards,

Mrs Forrester  
Depute Head Teacher – S1

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