

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are committed to maintaining high standards at Alloa Academy and rely on the continued support of you as parents and carers. If you require further information or support, please do not hesitate to contact the school office and request to speak with your child's Guidance Teacher or Depute Headteacher.

As of Tuesday 2nd February, we will be moving to the new system of House Group, Period 1 and Period 2 registration to tackle the number of young people who arrive late to school day after day. Information will be given during scheduled assemblies on Monday 1st February.

As well as moving to the new system on the 2nd there will also be a change during social times, breaks and lunches. Only S5 & S6 pupils will be allowed on the upper areas of the building, if you feel your young person requires to be there and in a quieter area of the building during these times, please contact their Guidance Teacher

We are mindful of the impact uniform costs can have on families, and we have taken steps to support those facing financial challenges. Alloa Academy receives significant annual funding from the Scottish Government to assist families, and we operate a well-stocked *pre-loved* uniform shop, which includes both new and gently used items. This initiative not only supports families but also promotes sustainability and reduces waste. If you have any unwanted uniform items, please consider donating them to help us continue supporting our community.

Please note, we are not expecting or recommending you purchase new uniform during this term. This letter is only to provide clarity.

If you would like to collect uniform items from the pre-loved shop (free of charge), please contact **Sharon Cummings** at clscummings@glow.sch.uk. Pupils are aware that they can access the pre-loved shop at any time during the school day. Uniform items can also be purchased from **Scotcrest in Alva**. <https://scotcrestschoools.co.uk/>

Our agreed School Uniform for all year groups is as follows:

- School tie – Junior (S1–S3) / Senior (S4–S6)
- White shirt or white polo shirt
- School jumper, plain black jumper or Alloa hoodie
- Black/dark trousers, plain leggings or skirt
- Black/dark footwear

Blazers are encouraged but not compulsory, with braiding on for senior pupils also being optional.

Yours sincerely,

Iaian Kirkpatrick
Depute Headteacher