



ELLON ACADEMY WEEKLY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

To: All Parents/Carers
From: Pauline Buchan, Rector
Subject: Weekly Information Up-date
Date: Friday 25th June 2021

As we come to the end of a very different school year, we are thinking of everything our learners and families have been through and of how hard our school staff have worked against all the challenges which have come our way. We look forward to a new session where we will welcome our Primary 7 pupils to S1, and hopefully we can resume school in a safe but nearer normal way after the summer break.

Here are the updates for this week:

Next Parent Council Meeting:

The next virtual Parent Council Meeting is on Wednesday 8th September at 7pm via Zoom.

Please contact them via this email address: ellonacademyparentcouncil@gmail.com

Staffing Up-date:

- Congratulations to Mrs Donald and her family as they welcome a health baby girl to their family!
- It has been confirmed that we will have 1 Probationer Teacher allocated to Ellon Academy
 - Chemistry – Miss C Goode

S6 Blazers

The first leadership task for our Exec Team is to organise the information regarding ordering blazers for S6 pupils who want one. The deadline is 2nd of July for orders. An up-dated link has been included below:

If you follow the instructions below, it will take you through the sizing video to the point of ordering:

Visit https://www.academyuniformsltd.co.uk/index.php?route=product/category&path=62_199

1. Visit Categories - second form the top Sizing Guide and follow the instructions
2. Back to categories - Secondary schools – Ellon Academy
3. Place your order
4. For free delivery into the school early August type ELLON into the coupon code within the shopping cart and click Apply Coupon
5. Your order will be delivered to the school for early August.
6. Alternatively, you can pay for home delivery.

School Uniform Reminder for Parents/Carers. Expectations for August 2021:

Ellon Academy SCHOOL UNIFORM (up-dated May 2021)

It is important that pupils identify with their school and wearing school uniform instills a sense of pride in being part of the school.
This ensures that pupils can come to school in their 'work' clothes and can be easily identified as Ellon Academy learners.

✓ **ACCEPTABLE...**


- Plain black skirt or trousers/black jeans, jeans-style trousers, black leggings or jeggings
- Ellon Academy school tie worn with a plain white collared/button down shirt
- A plain black jumper/cardigan or a plain black 'Ellon Academy' jumper

Footwear

- Black Shoes or trainers (black trainers with colour accents are acceptable)

Optional

- A plain black or 'Ellon Academy' fleece/jumper
- A black blazer (optional)



UNACCEPTABLE... X

- Clothes with patterns or other colours
- Joggers/tracksuit bottoms/faded black jeans
- Advertising brands/logos on jumpers/cardigans
- T-shirts or round neck tops instead of a collared shirt
- Sportswear (except for in PE classes and pupils must change back into school dress after PE)
- Wearing outdoor jackets, fleeces, hoodies or coats in class or registration
- Hats off and hoods down in school

"Dress Your Personal Best"

A change of clothing and footwear for PE is essential.
We would recommend that you wear outer jackets in school dress code colours, black, blue or burgundy.
Ellon Academy's Comfort Cabinet can help with school dress and other school essentials.
Just get in touch by calling: 01358 281150
Clothing grants can also be accessed here: <https://www.mygov.scot/clothing-grants/>

PE next session:

Our school changing rooms will be operational again after the summer and therefore pupils do NOT need to come to school dressed in PE kit for the day. School uniform applies to all pupils and they will be able to change into and out of their PE kit in the changing rooms once again on PE days.

Comfort Cabinet News!

We are delighted to let our parents and carers know that you can donate your pre-loved childrens and teens school/leisure clothes, PE kits and any other items of stationary, and toiletries that you may have been saving up over lockdown. Any donations to support our young people can be handed into the school reception at Ellon Academy Community Campus **from Monday 9th August - Friday 13th August between 10am and 2pm**. We continue to offer our Amazon Wish List service too! Thank you all so much, our teens appreciate this more than you know. [#kindnessmatters](https://www.instagram.com/kindnessmatters/) 🍷

Lockers:

Our pupil lockers will also be operational after the summer, so please look out for a communication about how to apply for one.

Dates for your diary:

- Last day of Term 4 – Friday 25.6.21
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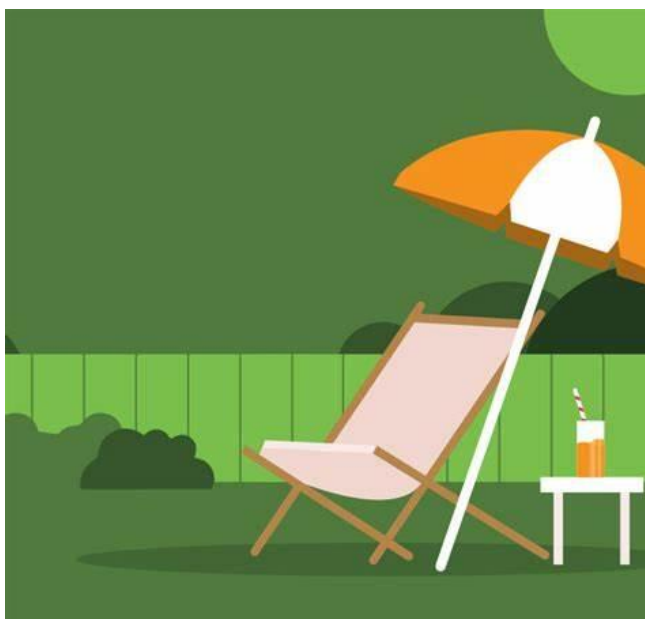
- First day of Term 1 – Tuesday 17th August 2021
- Occasional days for session 21/22
 - Wed 5.1.22 – occasional day added on the end of the Christmas break
 - Thurs 10.2.22, Friday 11.2.22 (Mon 14.2.22 is already a holiday and Tues 15.2.22/Wed 16.2.22 are in-service days)
 - It has been mooted that May Day and Jubilee Day are combined – National decision, so more info as it is received

Ellon Academy School Calendar 21/22:

Our new school calendar for session 21/22 is now ready and has been sent to parents/carers and can be viewed on our website.

[Ellon Academy Calendar 2021.22 Final.xlsx](#)

Thank you once more for your continued support. Whatever you are doing and wherever you are going, have a lovely summer.



Pauline Buchan

Rector
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