

GRYFFE HIGH SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you enjoy reading our Newsletter which was uploaded to the News section of the school website, on Wednesday 3 February.

Contents of the Newsletter

- ✓ PTA Pamper Evening
- ✓ Parent Council
- ✓ School Website Brief Updates
- ✓ Achievements in Gryffe
- ✓ Gryffe High School to grow seeds from space!
- ✓ Remembering the Holocaust
- ✓ Fairtrade Visit to 'Carishea'
- ✓ Duke of Edinburgh Award
- ✓ Eco update
- ✓ Scottish Schools Radio Station
- ✓ The ROAR Challenge; Money Week
- ✓ S1 Make Mugs in ABC
- ✓ The Youth and Philanthropy Initiative (YPI)
- ✓ Department of International Development visit Gryffe
- ✓ Advanced Higher Chemistry visit University of Strathclyde
- ✓ SCHOLAR
- ✓ Driving Test Success for S6 Pupils
- ✓ Staff Fitness programme
- ✓ Young Musician of the Year 2016
- ✓ S1 Girls enjoy success at Inter-Authority Basketball Tournament
- ✓ Gryffe hosts a P7 v S1 Gymnastic Challenge
- ✓ Inspired ART work success
- ✓ Upcoming priorities/events
- ✓ PTA Pamper Evening

School Uniform

Our expectations in Gryffe High School is that all pupils should be in full school uniform

Renfrewshire Council encourages each school to adopt a dress code after discussion with parents/carers, pupils and the parent council. The council supports an agreed dress code because of the benefits it brings, including improvements in safety, security, discipline, ethos, community spirit and a decrease in bullying and expense for parents/carers.

As from Monday 22 February (already started as of today for S6 pupils) we will strictly follow our uniform procedures.

Gryffe High School Uniform Procedures

1. Pupils not wearing full uniform **must** report to the school office **at the start of the school day** to collect a uniform sticker. A text will be sent to parents/carers to inform them of this.
Should a pupil exceed 14 uniform stickers then parents/carers will be invited to school to discuss the matter further with local authority representation as appropriate.
2. The school tie should be **visible and above second shirt button** at all times.
3. Pupils should be **dressed modestly**.
4. All coloured sweaters, and hoodies, should be **removed** while in the **school building**.



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Gryffe High School Dress Code

- White Shirt (allows the school tie to be worn properly)
- School Tie (above the second top button – always be visible)
- Black/Navy Trousers or Skirt (modest length)
- Black/Navy Jumper or Cardigan
- Plain Black Shoes

Pupils Should Not Wear

- Coloured tops/hoodies should not be worn in the school building
- Denim jeans (two back patch pockets) or jackets should not be worn in school
- Leggings should not replace trousers
- Very short skirts (should be modest length)
- Different coloured shoes/training shoes

Physical Education Kit

The mandatory kit for Physical Education in Gryffe High School is:

- White t-shirt with school PE logo (or plain white t-shirt)
- Choice of black or navy bottoms of choice which could include trousers or shorts (to cover at least half the upper leg)
- Trainers/sport shoes suitable for use in the indoor halls
- White sport socks
- Outdoor clothing can be worn on top of PE kit for any outdoor lesson

Our expectation is also that pupils wear full school uniform when going on any educational trip, including representing the school at any sporting activity.

At Gryffe High School we have a stock of spare uniform in a range of sizes. Pupils who come to school dressed in an unacceptable manner, or representing the school on any trip or sporting activity, may be asked to use our uniform facility. Once returned these items will be washed prior to any further use.

Grants for footwear and clothing for children are available to parents receiving:

- income support;
- income based job seeker's allowance;
- pension credit;
- housing benefit;
- council tax benefit; or
- depending on annual income, child tax credit or working tax credit.

Information and application forms for free school meals are available from schools, registration offices and customer service centres or download a form from the council's website: www.renfrewshire.gov.uk

Please support the school and the education authority by making sure that pupils do not bring valuable or expensive items of clothing to school. The council has no insurance to cover the loss of valuable items.

Please feel free to contact me, or any of my Depute Head Teachers, should you wish to discuss any part of our procedures, and expectations, in regard to school uniform.

Yours sincerely

Mr Colin Johnson
Head Teacher



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