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Dear Parent / Carer,

Wider Achievement Survey

During the week beginning the 22nd of August, all our young people will be invited to complete a brief survey seeking their views on wider achievement groups and clubs that we offer at Harris.

We are looking to expand our current offer of groups and clubs that are available during lunchtimes and after school. This survey will give every young person the chance to have their say on what they would like to see running and even volunteer to lead a club with the support of staff members.

The survey will be promoted in school through PSE classes but will also be shared with the young people through Satchel One which can be accessed by logging in to Glow. It would be much appreciated if you could encourage your young person/people to complete this survey as their views are especially important to us.

A link to the survey can also be found here – <u>https://forms.office.com/r/L7KrWzgf9U</u>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

PARENT COUNCIL MEETING & AGM

Tuesday 30th August

SENIOR PHASE INFORMATION EVENING

Change of date -Wednesday 21st September

S4 – S6 TRACKING REPORT 1

w/b 19th September

S3 PARENT / CARER CONTACT EVENING

Wednesday 28th September

S2 PARENT / CARER CONTACT EVENING

Parent Council Meeting & AGM

The first Parent Council meeting of the news session will take place on Tuesday 30th August at 7pm, here at Harris Academy.

Next week, Mr McLeod, our Parent Council Chair, will write to you, via this newsletter, with more details.



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Lockers

Lockers are available for all young people to rent for the academic session. If you would like to rent one, they are available at £20 per locker (no shared lockers allowed) and can be arranged through Parent Pay. More information is available via our main school office.

Dining Centre Arrangements

From Monday, the following service points will be available for young people to be get snacks, meals and drinks:

- Junior lunch Dining Centre, Snack Bar and the social space service point next to Maths
- Both intervals and senior lunch services Dining Centre and Snack Bar only

To reduce queueing time for young people, we will continue to encourage them to use all available service points.

SQA Appeals 2022

Appeals 2022 are now under way, a helpful document with all the information from SQA about the appeals process can be found on this link. <u>https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/files_ccc/SQA-Appeals-2022-guidance-for-learners.pdf</u>

If you feel that you would like to submit an appeal for any subject, please contact your child's guidance teacher in the first instance to discuss as soon as possible.

If you are unsure that your child can appeal, principal teachers and their staff are currently looking at all Estimates versus SQA results to find the young people who qualify. If this is the case for your child, I will write out to all parents asking for permission to lodge an appeal. The deadline for this is Monday 29th August.

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Child Flu programme 2022 - 2023

The Flu vaccine is being offered to all primary and secondary school pupils in Scotland. Flu can be serious, even for healthy children. The vaccine will help to protect children getting sick with flu and needing time off school.

To help raise awareness of the flu vaccine amongst pupils, staff and parents/carers, Public Heath Scotland have prepared a number of resources to help prepare pupils in Scottish schools.

These include

- A briefing document for staff with details of the flu vaccination programme
- Flu vaccine information leaflet for parents/carers
- Flu vaccine information leaflet for secondary school pupils
- Posters
- Classroom activity sheet
- Guidance on consent forms
- Videos for school pupils showing what to expect during a flu vaccination

These resources are available to download online at publichealthscotland.scot/flueducationpack

