

## Harris Academy

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### Parent / Carer Newsletter Session 2021 – 2022 Issue 4

The following serves as information that will hopefully of use to parents / carers of our young people here at Harris Academy:

#### Appointment of new Parent Council Chair

I am pleased to inform you that the Parent Council have voted in a new Chair and Vice Chairs during Tuesday's meeting. They are:

Chairperson – Mr Murray McLeod

Vice Chairs (joint) – Ms Katja Pradel and Dr Karen Gillespie

#### Flu vaccinations

Dear Parent

Harris pupils S1-S6 will be offered the flu vaccine over the course of 3 days next term. Consent forms will be given to pupils over the coming weeks. (See dates below)

- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December,
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December,
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

More information can be found at [www.nhsinform.scot/childflu](http://www.nhsinform.scot/childflu)

All completed consent forms can be handed in at the House entrances as pupils arrive for school.

#### Prizegiving

Over the next two weeks, our prize winners from last session will be notified via a letter that will be handed to them in school to take home to parents / carers.

Prize winners will then be invited to small Celebration Assemblies, which will follow present COVID guidelines, to receive their certificate and /or trophy and have their photograph taken.

Once collated, our Awards Ceremony will then be available online for our school community to view, most likely just after the October break.

#### Face Coverings

Since our return from the summer break, we have had to provide a significantly increased amount of face masks (approximately 250 per day) to our young people, at some cost to the Council, to comply with Scottish Government COVID guidelines. Your support in ensuring that your young person comes to school each day with a face covering would be greatly appreciated. By way of reminder, reusable Harris Academy branded masks are available for purchase via ParentPay for £3.

**Respect for our neighbours**

Since our return, we have unfortunately received complaints from members of the public in relation to poor behaviour by a small minority of young people in our surrounding community.

We will continue to remind our young people of their responsibilities and our expectations and, where possible, senior members of staff will be visible on Perth Road and other high traffic areas.

Please support us by reminding your own young person of their responsibility to behave in a manner which upholds our school value of respect.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Millar', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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