



Perth High School

S4

2019 – 2020

**Information for Parents & Carers
Key Dates and Contact Details**

Headteacher: Mrs Thirza Pupillo
Telephone Number: 01738 472653

School Office Telephone Number: 01738 628271

Pupil Absentee Line: 01738 472699

Welcome to Perth High School

This leaflet has been designed as a summary of the key information that Parents / Carers will need to be able to contact the school quickly. There is also a summary of the relevant dates for the year group your child is in.

Contacting the School

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School email: PerthHigh@pkc.gov.uk

School web-site: <http://perthhigh.net>

Follow Perth High School on Twitter: @PerthHighSchool

Parent Council Chairperson: Mrs Susan Brown: susanbrown1509@outlook.com
Mrs Mary Shrimpton: mfshrimpton@gmail.com

Who Should I Contact?

If you need to contact the school for any reason, this checklist will help you direct your query:

Guidance Teacher – This is the key contact for all matters relating to your child: subjects (child performance, subject choices, and teacher issue), bullying (physical, mental or cyber), health concern with your child, change of home circumstances that may impact upon your child's education and performance in school.

Year Head – for matters not resolved by the Guidance Teacher or matters of a serious or urgent nature.

Headteacher – for any serious matter that you believe the Headteacher must be aware of whether this has been escalated through Guidance Teacher & Year Head or not.

S4 Year Head will be **Mr Paul Cunningham**. His contact number is: **01738 628271**.

Please note the HOUSE that your child is in. You will find the name and telephone number of the relevant Guidance Teacher on the next page.

School Guidance Team

House	Guidance Teacher	Direct Dial Telephone Number
Balmanno	Mrs Mhari Carcary	01738 472678
Elcho	Mrs Christine Ross	01738 472694
Huntingtower	Mrs Gillian Shenton	01738 472695
Kinfauns	Mr Gareth Kirk	01738 474146
Pitheavlis	Mrs Heather Taylor	01738 472679

Pupil Absence

Please call the school absentee line by **9.00am** if a pupil is too unwell to attend school. If no contact is received, the school will issue a Groupcall text message to all parents whose child is not in school. Please phone in each day that your child is off. A further GROUPCALL text is sent after lunch-time should your child not turn up to class for Period 6.

On return from absence, please send in a note of explanation indicating the period of absence signed by the Parent / Carer. This should be passed to the Personal Support Teacher on the morning the pupil returns to school.

Notes requesting excused attendance for appointments with dentist/doctor/optician should be given to their Personal Support Teacher. Pupils will be issued with a permission slip.

School day

Personal Support	8.55 - 9.10
Period 1	9.10 - 9.55
Period 2	9.55 - 10.40
Morning Interval	10.40 - 11.00
Period 3	11.00 - 11.45
Period 4	11.45 - 12.30
Period 5	12.30 - 13.15
Lunch	13.15 - 14.10
Period 6	14.10 - 14.55
Period 6	14.55 - 15.40

School Uniform

White Shirt

School Tie

Senior Ties for S5/6 pupils

Navy/Black Pullover

Navy/Black Trousers

Navy/Black Blazer

School Badge on Blazer

PE Kit – white T-shirt, navy/black shorts, plain tracksuit and swim-kit.

Please note the following items are not acceptable:

Clothing or scarves which feature football colours or other slogans, denim clothing of any colour (jeans or jackets), Sports / Training shoes and finally, hooded tops should not be worn inside the building.

The School Parent Council strongly supports our uniform policy and welcomes parental support in maintaining high standards of uniform and dress.

School Information

This leaflet contains only a summary of key information; please refer to the school handbook on the web-site for full details about Perth High School.

Fourth Year is a vitally important year. The study skills developed earlier in the school should come to fruition as we rush towards National Qualifications, assessments and examinations. Planning is essential, and pupils must make time for reinforcement, revision and study in a highly structured way. By this stage in school, pupils have chosen seven subjects to study and they know their teachers well. Pupils should take every opportunity to fully engage in discussions about their learning with their teachers and should be constantly reviewing how they can make progress and improve.

Reporting to Parents

Last year we trialled some changes to our reporting systems in response to parental feedback that you would like regular contact about how your child is progressing. On the opposite page you will see our jigsaw of reporting, which outlines the number of different ways we will report to parents throughout the year – not all of these will apply to each child.

In addition pupils get feedback on their work from teachers, either in their jotters or on personal learning plans, and this also forms part of reporting on pupils' progress. Please discuss this feedback at home with your child.

In class, pupils have learning conversations with their teachers where they discuss their work and their next steps. The written report that you will receive this year will be a summary of these next steps – no more than three statements from each teacher.

Further changes may be made as we evaluate their success.

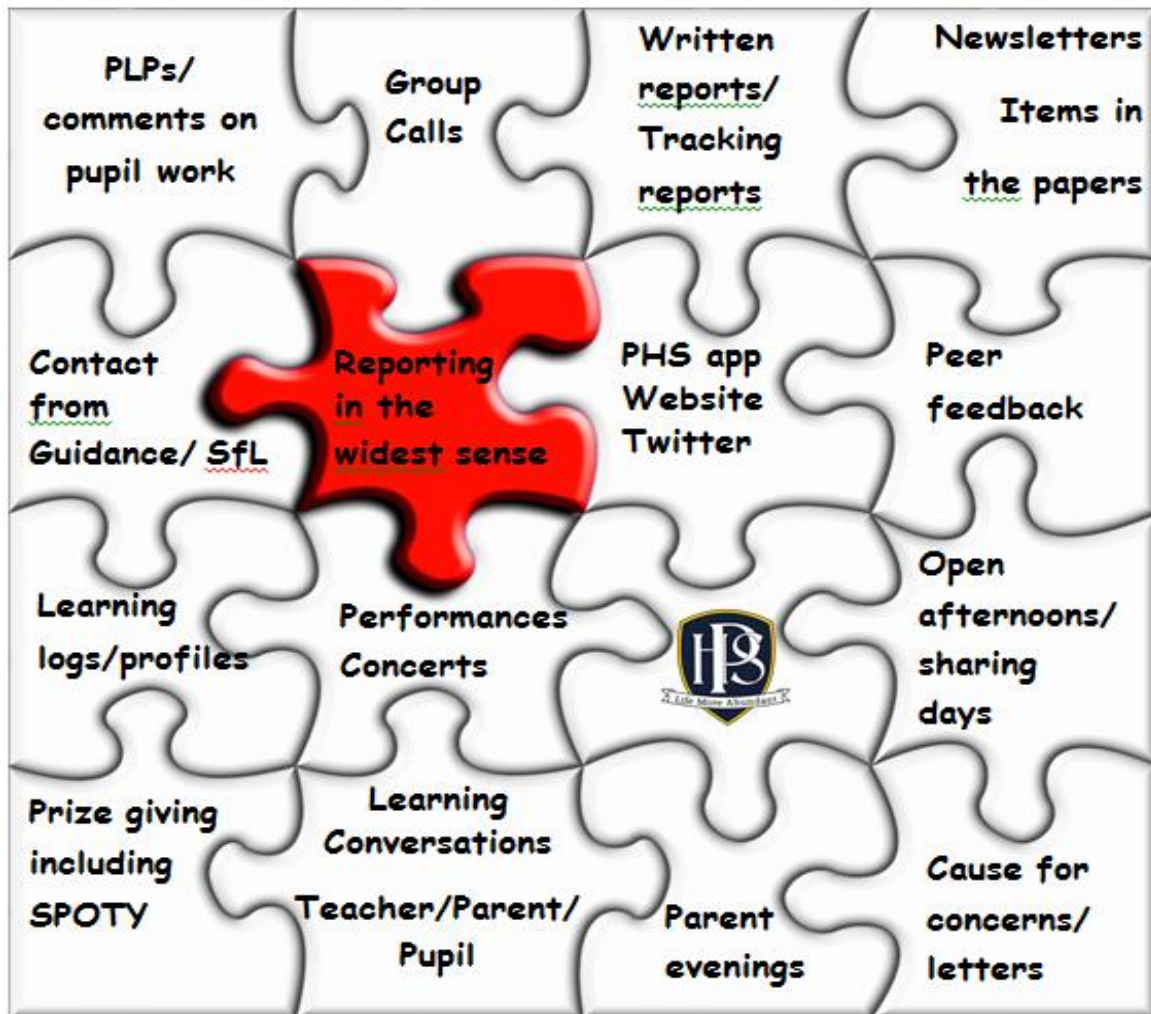
This year you will be invited to or receive:

A tracking report in October – this report will include target grades for each of your child's subjects and ratings for effort, behaviour and homework.

A progress report in January - this report will include working grades for each of your child's subjects; ratings for effort, behaviour and homework and up to three statements of next steps for each subject.

A parents' evening in February

A tracking report in February – this report will include target grades for each of your child's subjects and ratings for effort, behaviour and homework.



The 'Reporting Jigsaw' above is an overview of all the opportunities that Perth High is now providing to parents and carers as a way of communicating children's progress and learning.

Diary Dates for Session 2019 / 2020

2019

Wednesday 21 st August	Pupils return to School 8.55am
Wednesday 28 th August	Parent Council AGM 7pm
Tuesday 3 rd September	S4 Individual Photographs
Wednesday 4 th September	S4 Class Photographs
Week Commencing 21 st October	S4 Tracking Reports issued
Thursday 3rd October	School closes at 3.40pm for October Break
Friday 4th October	In-service day training – school closed to pupils
Monday 21 st October	Pupils return to school 8.55am
Thursday 14th November and Friday 15th November	In-service day training – school closed to pupils
Monday 25 th November	S4 Prelims begin
Wednesday 4 th December	S4 Prelims end
Tuesday 17 th December	Christmas Concert 7.00pm St Ninians Cathedral
Friday 20 th December	School closes at 12 noon for Christmas Holidays

2020

Monday 6 th January	Pupils return to School 8.55am
Week Commencing 6 th January	S4 Progress Report issued
Week commencing 10 th February	S4 Tracking Report issued
Tuesday 11 th February	S4 Parents Evening
Wednesday 12th February	In-service Training Day – school closed to pupils
Thursday 13th and Friday 14th February	Mid-term break – school closed to staff and pupils
Friday 3rd April	School closes at 3.40pm for Easter Break
Monday 20 th April	Pupils return to School 8.55am
Monday 27 th April	SQA Examinations Begin
Friday 8th May	May Day Holiday
Friday 22nd May	In-service Training Day – school closed to pupils
Thursday 4 th June	SQA Examinations End
Thursday 25 th June	Annual Awards Ceremony – Concert Hall
Wednesday 1st July	School closes at 12 noon for Summer Holidays
Wednesday 19 th August	Pupils return to School 8.55am
	Dates of Parent Council Meetings tbc

All information is also available on Perth High School website