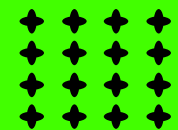




GARNOCK COMMUNITY CAMPUS

**Transition Information Evening
Wednesday 27 May, 2026**

WELCOME



Introduction

Welcome to Garnock Community Campus

Alan MacDougall (Head Teacher)

Alison Bruce (Depute Head Teacher)

Coral McIntosh (Depute Head Teacher)

Fiona Watson (PT Pastoral Support)

Claire Greer (Area Inclusion Worker)



Vision, Values & Aims



Opening Doors to the Future

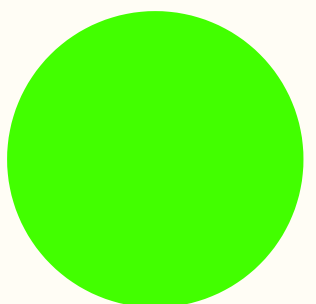
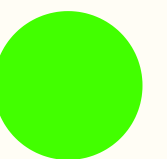
Kindness ■ Growth ■ Determination ■ Ambition

KINDNESS

GROWTH

DETERMINATION

AMBITION



Our Values



Opening Doors to the Future

We are committed to providing every young person with the knowledge, skills, and confidence to thrive in school and beyond. We believe in potential, possibility, and preparing learners to open the chosen door to their future.

KINDNESS

We lead with compassion and treat others with respect. We expect every member of our community to show care for others and themselves.

GROWTH

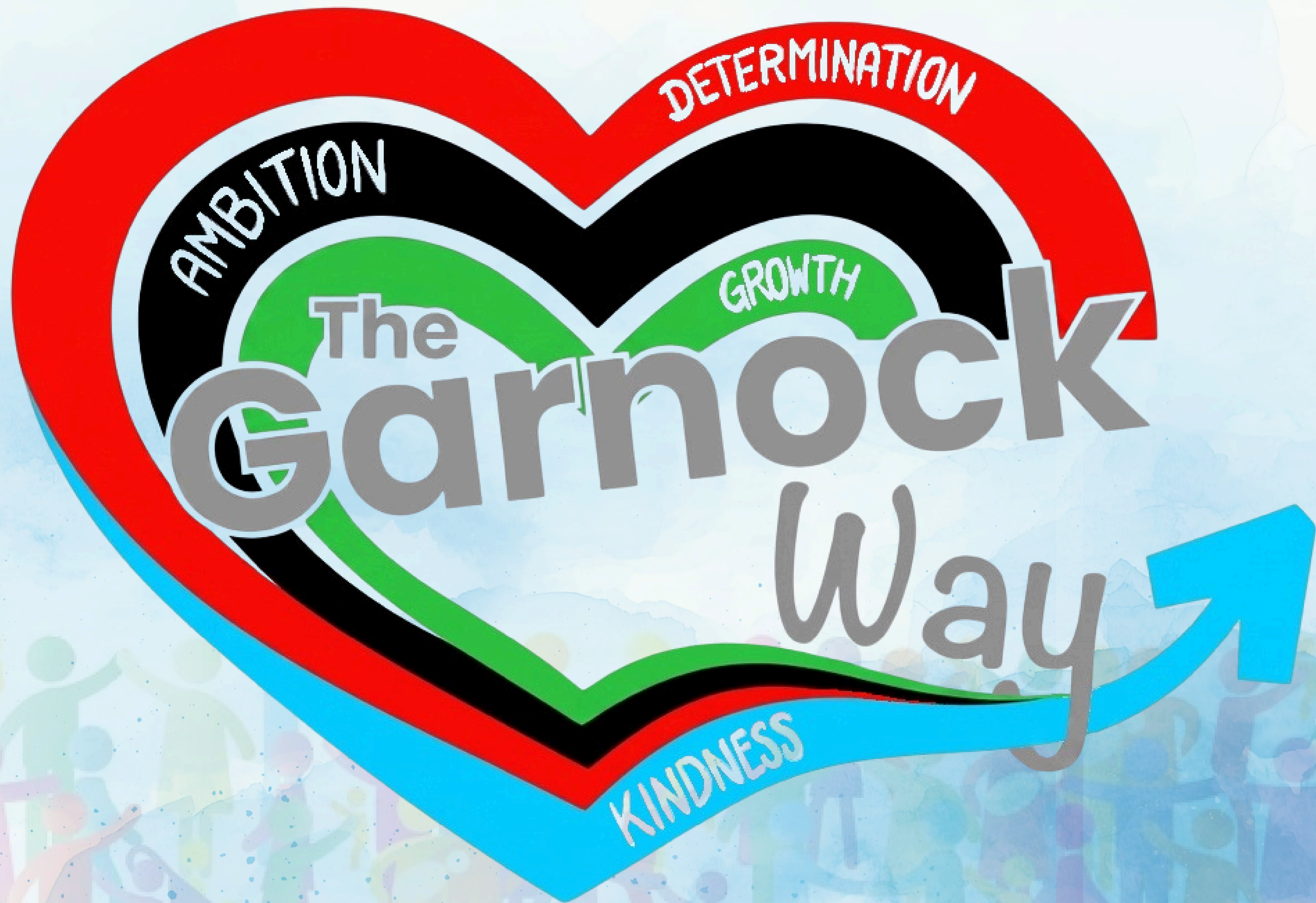
Learning is a journey. We encourage every learner to develop academically, socially, and emotionally—and to see mistakes as opportunities to grow.

DETERMINATION

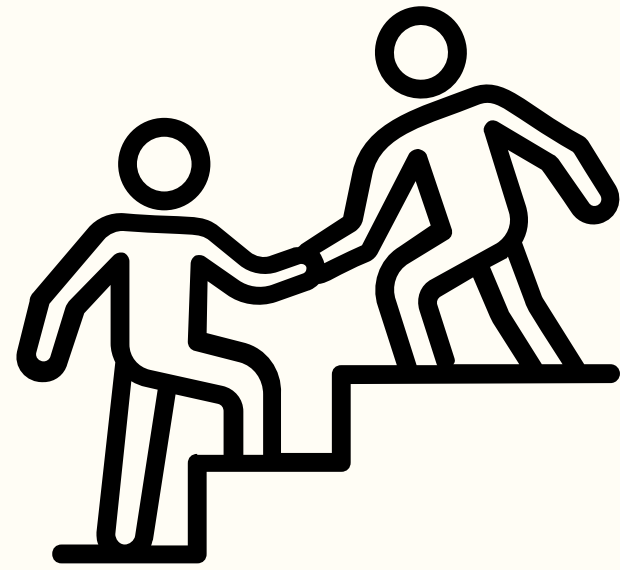
We don't give up. We support our young people to keep going when things get tough, to aim high, and to take pride in their progress.

AMBITION

We want the very best for every learner. Whether in the classroom, on the sports field, in the arts or in personal goals—we nurture dreams and open doors to their future.



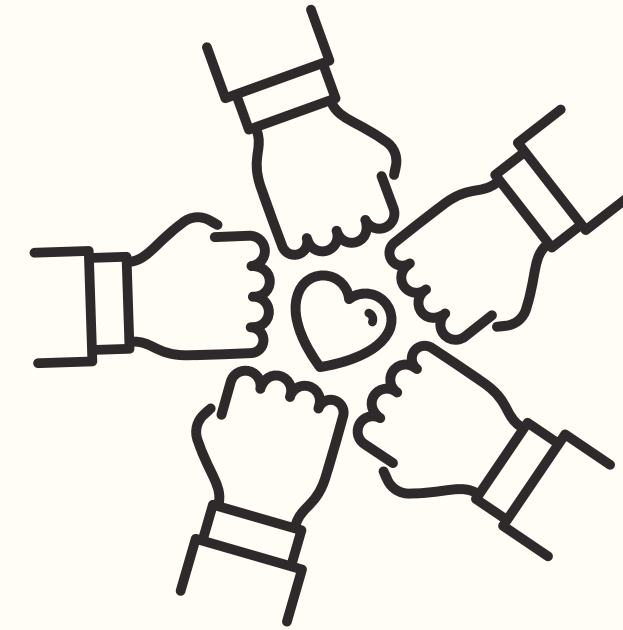
WHO WILL SUPPORT MY CHILD IF THEY NEED IT?



Mrs Watson



**Mrs Bruce
Ms McIntosh**



**Teaching Staff
Principal Teachers
SLT
Support Staff
Office Staff
Claire Greer
PC Duffy**



Supporting Our New S1 Pupils

Transition to secondary school is a big step, and we take great care to make sure every young person feels welcome, supported, and ready to thrive.



Buddies

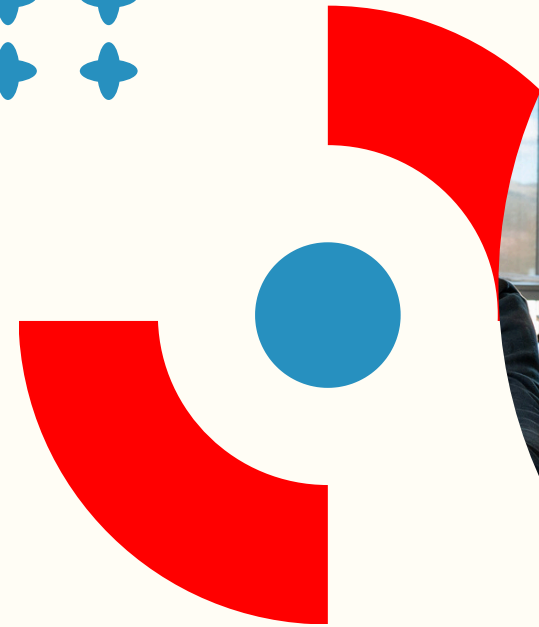
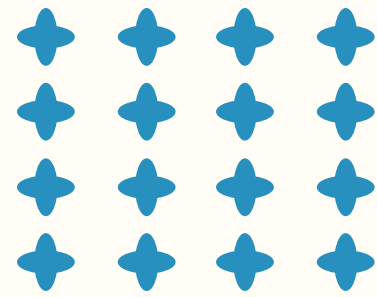


**Universal
Support for
Pupils**



**Specific
Support for
Pupils**

THE SCHOOL DAY

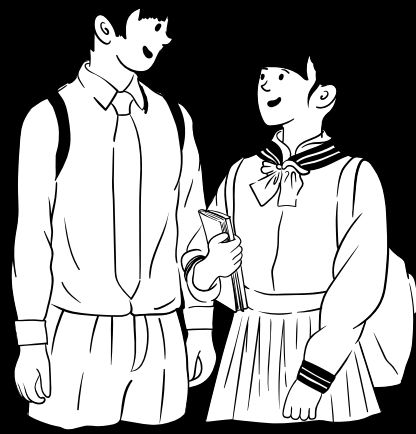


- Wellbeing
- 50 min. periods
- Class size: 20 or 30

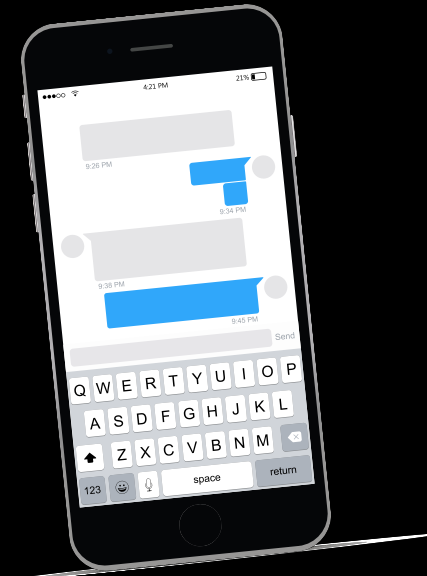
Monday & Tuesday 9.00am - 3.55pm

Wednesday - Friday 9.00am - 3.05pm

Break 10.50am Lunch 12.45pm



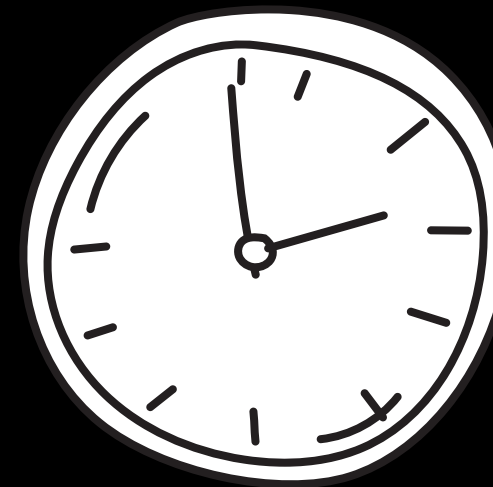
Campus Uniform (Uniform Hub)



Mobile Phones



Equipment



Time Keeping





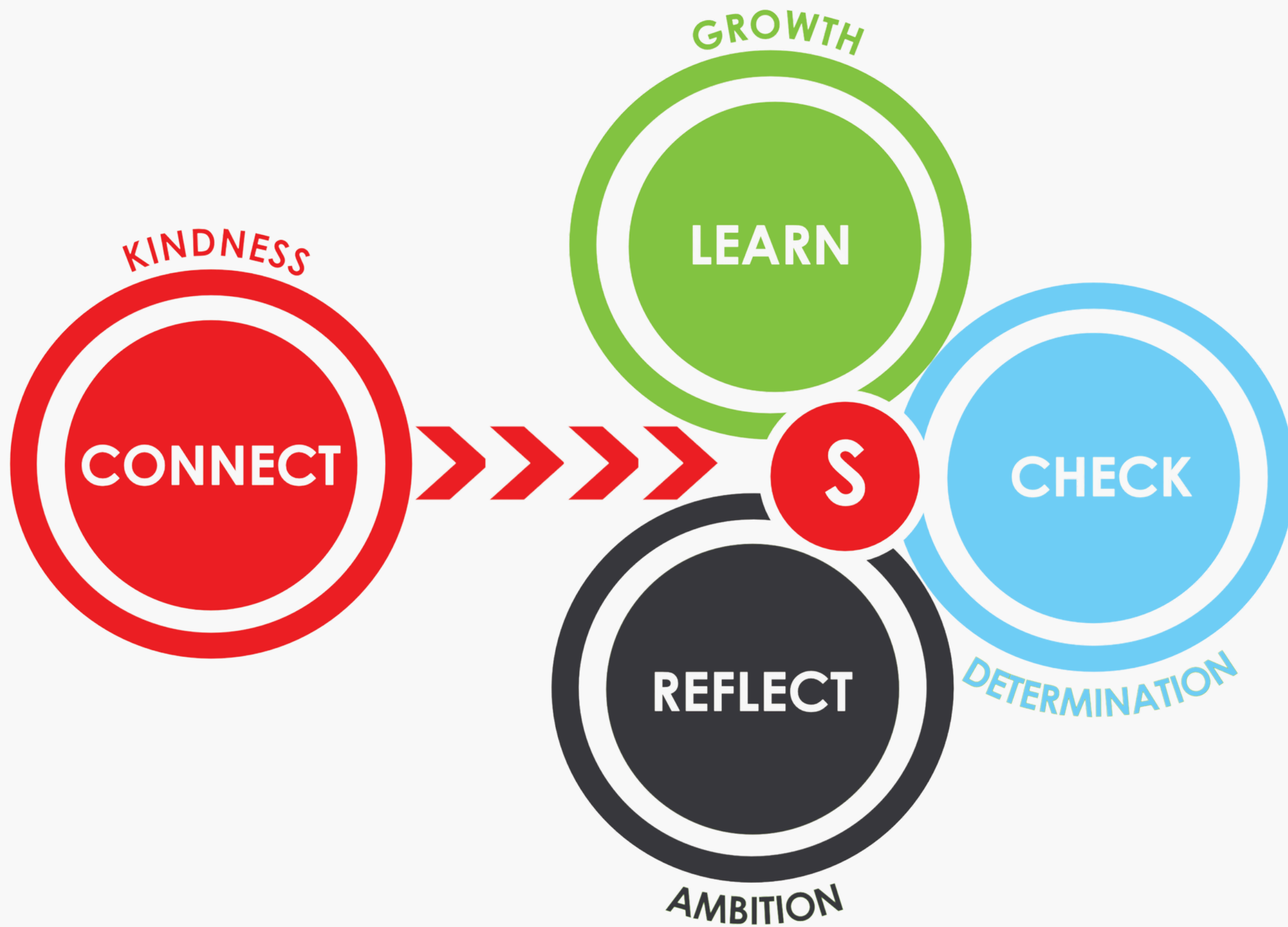
○ Subjects studied in S1

○ How progress is tracked and reported

○ Learners with additional needs

How will my child be learning?

Curriculum & Learning





Transition Days



Day 1:

- Welcome Assembly with Senior Staff and Buddies
- Full school timetable experience
- Breaks and lunchtimes supported by Buddies

Day 2:

- Full school timetable experience
- Breaks and lunchtimes supported by Buddies
- Meet Pastoral and Support Staff
- Pupil voice activities and wellbeing check-ins

Day 2: Evening

Disco!
6:00–7.30pm

Day 3

- Health and Wellbeing Day
- Team building
- Home Economics
- Den Building
- Glow Dodge Ball
- Inflatables



Lunch Arrangements

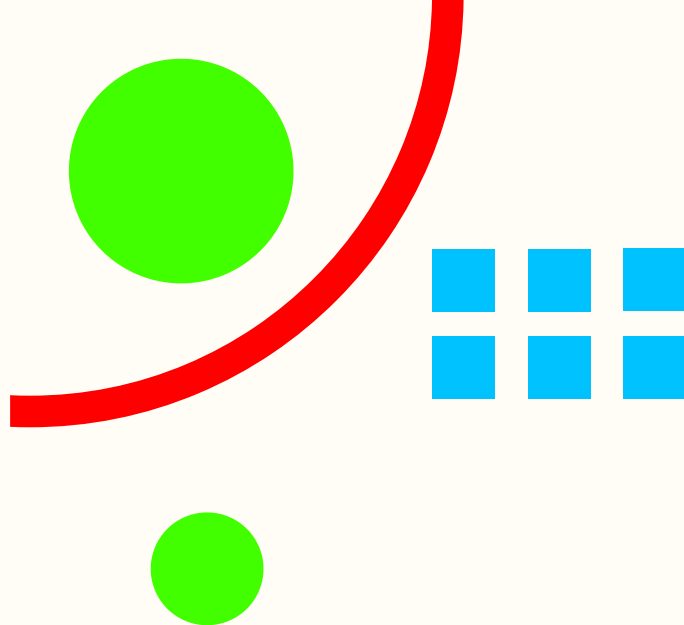
During the transition days, lunch will be provided free of charge on days 1 and 2. For our Wellbeing Day on day 3, pupils are asked to bring a packed lunch. If entitled to FSM, lunch will be provided for your child.

- School meals: how to pay, what's available.
- Packed lunch options and eating arrangements.
- Free school meal entitlement



Extra-curricular and Wider Achievement





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Communication with Parents/carers

○ If there is an issue, we will phone you.

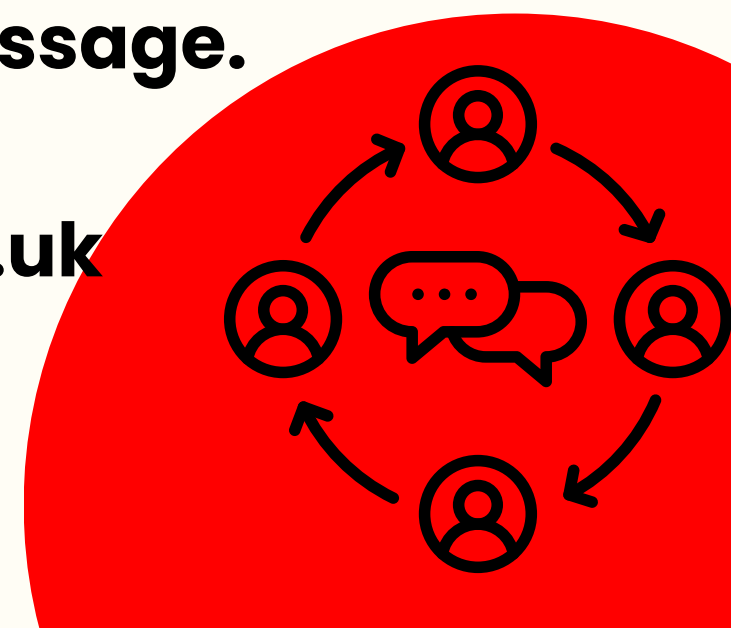
○ Xpressions (Parent Portal)

○ Letters, text messages, newsletters

○ Instagram : garnockcampus

○ Parents' Evenings/Reports

- **Fiona Watson will always be your first contact.**
- **Report absence/contact by text message.**
- **Email: garnock@ea.n-ayrshire.sch.uk**
- **Phone: 01505 683685**



Using Our Campus Website

Wellbeing Section

Here, you'll find information on how we support the emotional, social, and mental wellbeing of our young people.

- Our approach;
- Advice on mental health;
- Links to agencies across the Garnock Valley;
- Directory of Support

'What to Expect...' Series

Our 'What to Expect...' guides are short, parent-friendly explainers on key parts of school life. These include:

- Transition events and your child's first day
- Parents' Evenings (Primary & Secondary)
- Contacting the school
- Subject Choices
- What happens if we need to contact you.

The purpose of these documents is to help demystify school processes and strengthen our home-school partnership.

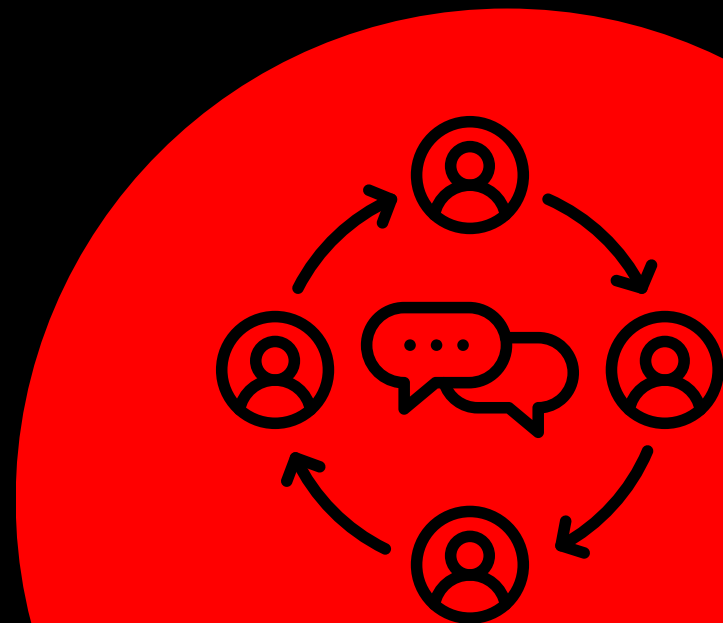
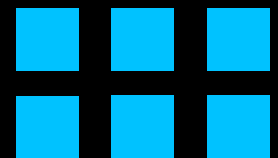
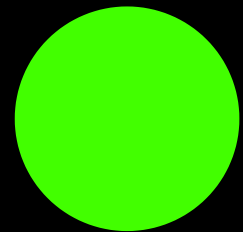
Check the website regularly for updates and changes.

NewsDesk * Policy Updates * What to Expect contributions

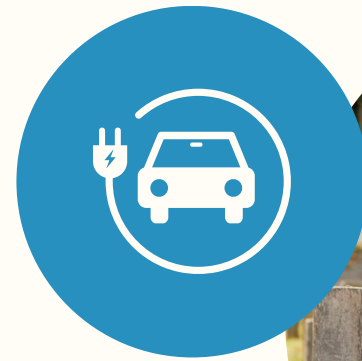
Opportunities for Parental Engagement

Discover how you can actively support your child's success.

- Attend school events regularly
- Volunteer for Campus activities
- Join the Parent Council
- Stay informed through school communications
- Share your ideas.



Travel and Safety



- Buses
- Walking routes
- Car park drop-offs
- Expectations for arriving and leaving school safely.





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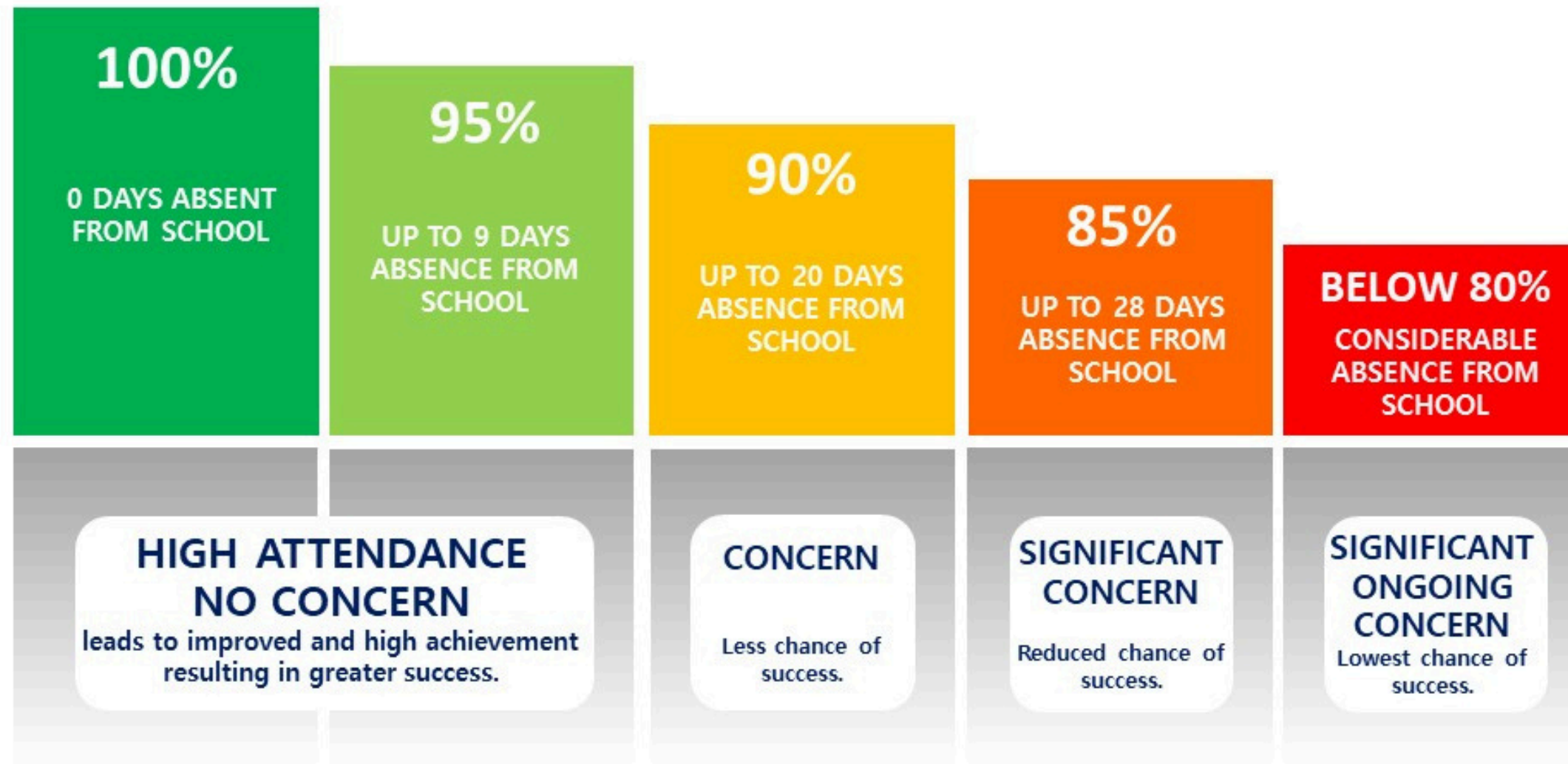
Attendance Matters

Building your tomorrow, today!



*No poverty of expectation,
opportunity and aspiration for our
young people and families.*

WHAT IS YOUR ATTENDANCE?



Education Scotland research shows missing 19 days, or almost 4 weeks of school, means you are more likely to drop a full grade in a subject.





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*Attendance Matters
Your Child Matters
Our Partnership Matters*

**TOGETHER, LET'S GIVE OUR YOUNG
PEOPLE THE BEST START IN LIFE!**



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WHAT CHANGES



A LARGER COMMUNITY

955 pupils in the Secondary.
A busy campus with many opportunities.



MORE TEACHERS

Many specialist teachers,
each with their own classroom.



MORE INDEPENDENCE

Young people take greater responsibility
for their learning, choices and organisation.



COMMUNICATION LOOKS DIFFERENT

We communicate when needed.
We expect pupils to share information
and speak up for themselves.



WIDER OPPORTUNITIES & FRIENDSHIPS

New experiences, clubs, activities
and a wider social world.



GREATER ORGANISATION

Different teachers set work in different ways.
Building habits and routines takes time.



BUILDING RESILIENCE

Mistakes happen. We learn, adapt
and keep moving forward.

WHAT STAYS THE SAME



WE CARE DEEPLY

We know and value your child
as an individual.



RELATIONSHIPS MATTER

Staff build strong relationships
and notice when something changes.



SUPPORT IS ALWAYS HERE

Pastoral care, inclusion and wellbeing
remain at the heart of all we do.



WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

We work closely with families
to support every young person.



WE WANT EVERY YOUNG PERSON TO SUCCEED

Your child's success and happiness
is our priority.



OUR VALUES GUIDE EVERYTHING WE DO

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GROWING Into Secondary

A new stage. New opportunities. Continued support.

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WHAT TO EXPECT AT GARNOCK COMMUNITY CAMPUS



OUR COMMUNITY

955 pupils in the Secondary Leadership Team oversee the full 2-18 Campus.



PASTORAL SUPPORT

One Pastoral Teacher for each year group, who also has a teaching commitment.



PARENTS' EVENING

One Parents' Evening in S1.
Teachers meet with every parent/carer each year.



REPORTING

Two reports each year:

- Interim overview report (early in the session)
- Full report (later in the session)



COMMUNICATION

We communicate as necessary and will always get back to you as soon as we can.
Please be patient with our response times.



EXPECTATIONS

We expect young people to share information at home.
Conversations at home make a big difference.



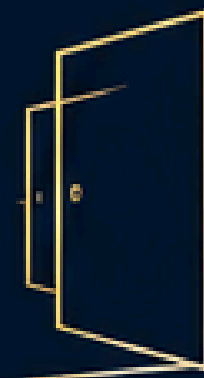
None of these changes happen overnight.
Secondary is a journey of growth, and we work closely with young people and families to support that transition step by step.

Our aim

is not simply to help young people cope with secondary school – it is to help them grow, belong and thrive within it.



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KINDNESS

We look out for one another and treat everyone with respect.



GROWTH

We embrace challenge, learn from experience and keep improving.



DETERMINATION

We keep going, even when things are tough.



AMBITION

We aim high and believe in a bright future for everyone.



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THANK YOU



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