# P7 Guide to starting school at

## Garnock Community Campus







## **OUR VALUES**



**Teamwork...** Learn to get past each other's differences, work and share ideas together, whilst listening and helping one another.



**Creativity...** Step out with your comfort zone, express yourself and think outside the box.



**Responsibility...** Stay controlled and realise the potential impact your actions may have.



**Respect...** Accept that everyone is unique and have their own personality.



Achievement...
Successfully reach
your goals and
achieve your
dreams.



**Determination...** Never let anything get in your way, keep trying, stay positive and don't give up.

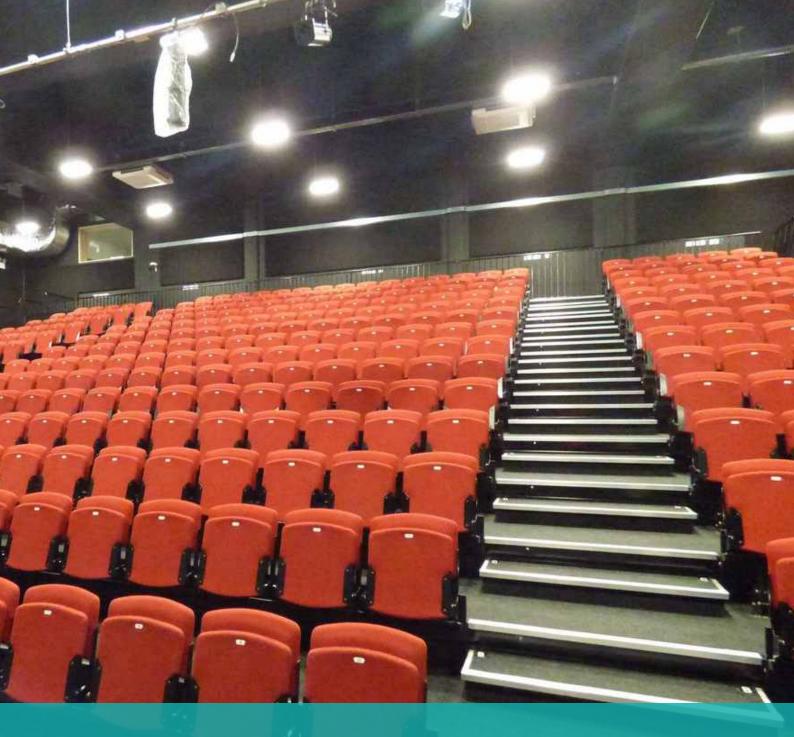
Suddenly I am not too worried about living out these values at Garnock Community Campus, I understand what they mean and also what they should look like. I can't wait to start Secondary school.

## Introduction

In August you will be moving from primary school to Garnock Community Campus for your secondary education. Our school has pupils from 2 – 18 years.

This is a time when you will have lots of questions about what to expect.

Hopefully this booklet will help answer these for you. You will have lots of different feelings about starting. There is no right or wrong, but be assured we are here to help make your transition as easy as possible.



Plenty of seating in our fantastic auditorium!

## **First Day**

On your first day you might arrive by foot, bike, bus, taxi or car. You will be directed where to go by the school by staff. You won't miss them they will have bright yellow jackets on.

Staff and S6 pupils will be on hand to tell you what you need to do and where you need to go.

Don't worry if you aren't with your best friend you can see them at break, or lunch time. You will have a unique opportunity to make new friends from different schools.

You will then be spoken to by some members of staff. This will include Mr Dick the Head Teacher and your Year Head, Ms House.



Lots of room for breaks and Lunch time...

## Registration

You will meet your registration teacher first. This will be someone you will get to know very well as you will see them every morning for 10 minutes at registration (9.00-9.10am).

You go to registration to make sure we know you are in school on time. You will also be given any relevant information regarding the school day, like if there is an assembly, information about school clubs etc. You will be expected to let the teacher see that you have your full school uniform on so you will be asked to take your jacket off when you get to class (this will be the same for all classes).

You will be given a timetable. Please check it is yours. It will have your name and registration class at the top.

Your timetable will show the classes you will attend, when you will go to that class, and the name of the teacher you will have

for the different subjects.

Although you will have more teachers than you will be used to, don't worry about remembering all the teacher names, just remember to be respectful.

S6 pupils will help you out in the first week to ensure you get to classes and help you find your way around the school. We expect you to get lost at some point, which is okay, most people get lost in our school at some time. If this happens ask any adult to help you out, or ask one of our S6 pupils. Look out for the signs on the walls next to all of the stair cases, they will help you too.

The school day is split into periods. Each period lasts 50 minutes. You will attend 7 periods on Monday and Tuesday and 6 periods on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Monday and Tuesday - School starts at 9.00am and finishes at 3.55pm.

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday – School starts at 9am and finishes at 3.05pm.

## **Sample Timetable**

#### Timetable Report

Name: Register Group: 1.3 Stage: S1

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Tuesday	Registration School Miss Galloway	CfE Miss Brady	French CfE Ms Sanchez S101	English CIE Ms Smith S008	Religious Studies CIE Miss Slown S203	Mathematics CfE Mrs Smith S217	Miss Galloway	Geography CfE Mr Erskine S204
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Thursday	Registration School Miss Galloway	CEE	Music CfE Miss Lawrie	English CIE Ms Smith S008	CfE Mrc Findler	Technological Studies CÆ Mr Oetegenn	Mathematics CfE Ms Payne S217	
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This won't be your timetable but it gives you an idea of what it will look like and what to expect.

Each box will tell you the subject, the teacher and where possible the door number of the classroom.

For example, Ms Smith in English is in room S008. The 0 at the start means she is on the ground floor, a 1 would mean it is the first floor and a 2 is the second floor. The S is for Secondary.

The only thing not on the timetable is the time you will be in each subject. But remember with the exception of Registration which is 10 minutes, every period will last 50 minutes, no matter what the subject is.

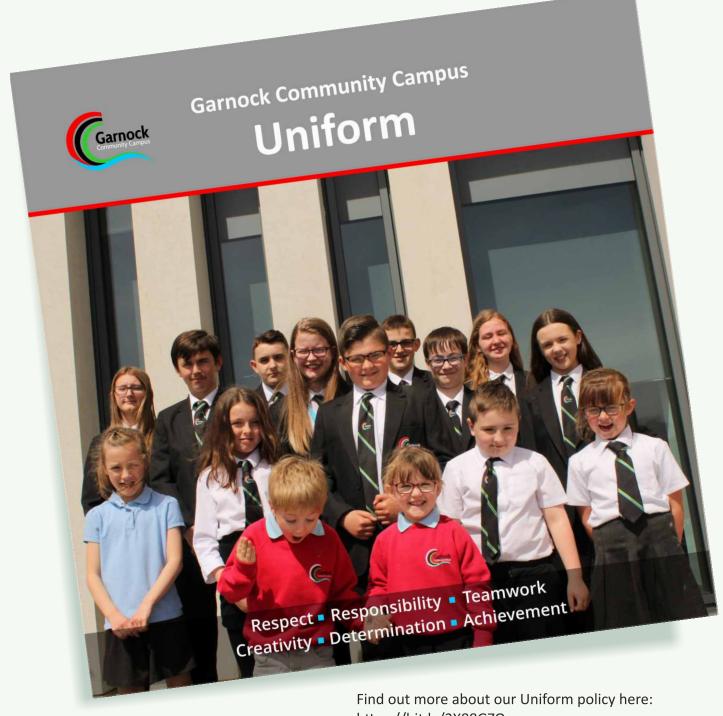
A bell will ring to let you know each time to move to the next class.

We recommend taking a photo of your timetable and having it on your phone.

You might lose a piece of paper but you are less likely to misplace your phone!!

If you do lose your timetable don't worry we can get you another copy.





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## **Uniform**

Garnock's secondary school uniform is different to what you are used to in primary school.

#### In the secondary school the uniform is:

Black trousers/skirt and plain black tights

All black footwear

Plain black jumper/ cardigan

School blazer (these can be purchased from Embroidery Solutions in Kilwinning) White shirt with the school tie (the Parent Council will provide all S1 pupils with their tie)

Plain outdoor jacket (no big logo's)

#### You cannot wear:

Leggings on their own, Jeans of any colour or Tracksuit bottoms

**Hoodies** 

**Coloured T-shirts** 

Trainers/coloured shoes

Football colours of any kind/ anything which may be deemed as offensive

Denim jackets

Coloured trainers

#### P.E. Kit

T-Shirt

Shorts/Sports leggings/tracksuit bottoms

**Trainers** 

No football colours or anything that may cause offence is allowed for PE



space to meet your friends

### **Break and Lunchtime**

You will have a 15 minute break from 10.50am until 11.05am every morning.

Your lunch will be 40 minutes every day. This is from 12.45pm until 1.25pm.

The school canteen has a wide range of hot and cold food available every day. You can of course bring your own if you prefer. You can't use the community café in the school during school time, as this is for members of the public and S6 pupils.

You will not be allowed out of the school grounds at either break or lunch.

This includes going to the local van or the shop.

There is plenty of space within the school dinner hall and playground for you to have something to eat, and meet up with your friends.

Staff will be on duty at lunch time too. Again look out for the yellow jackets.

If you have any problems at all speak to any member of staff and they will be happy to help you.

You will be allowed your phone at break and lunch,
but do yourself a favour –
make sure you switch it off before going to class.
Mobile phones are not allowed in class.
You should not be taking any photos
within the school either.



Loads of Lunchtime clubs!

## Staff

The Head Teacher at Garnock Community Campus is Mr Dick.

#### **Year Heads/ Depute**

There are 5 Depute Head Teachers at Garnock, all year heads for different year groups:

Mrs Tipping Mrs Gardner Mr Scott Mr Duff Ms House

Mr McMillan is depute for the Primary School

Ms House is going to be the year head for the new S1 pupils in August.

When you come to Garnock you will be put into a house group, each house group has a pastoral teacher. Your pastoral teacher is the first person you should come to if you have any problems, concerns or news of any kind. Each pastoral teacher is head of the house group.

You will be in one of the following houses:

ARRAN CUMBRAE HARRIS ISLAY

Our Pastoral teachers are: Mrs Stirling Mr McLean

Mrs Watson Mr Brown

#### Support staff

Some other staff members to know about are
Mrs Milne - PT Pupil Support
Miss Still - Nurture Teacher
Claire Greer – Area Inclusion Worker
Tracey Clark – School counsellor
PC Duffy – Campus Police Officer
Erin Edmunds – Careers Advisor
Phia McInnes – First Aider

Any member of staff at Garnock will help you if you have a problem or queries, or will direct you to someone who can help you.

## **Finally**

When your first day is finished, you will be tired, this is normal.

You will have had a lot of information to process, not forgetting all the stairs you will be going up and down.

We are really looking forward to welcoming you to our school and we are sure after a week or so it will be like you have always been here.

For any other information please check out the website, it has lots of really useful information on it.

www.garnockcommunitycampus.co.uk



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