

# P7 Parent & Carer Open & Welcome Event

19 February, 2026  
6.30pm

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## Aims:

- 1/ All parents/carers and young people are more informed about our Academy, our school day and our curriculum/school activities
- 2/ Meet our Academy staff team members
- 3/ Enjoy a tour of our facilities and get a sense of what and how we learn in our Academy



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## ▶ Programme

- ▶ 6.30pm Our Academy Presentation Theatre
- ▶ 7.15pm Tour of Facilities with Pupil Guides School & Sports Hub
- ▶ 8.00pm Doors Close



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## Values, Vision and Aims:

Following consultation including values, vision and aims workshops and surveys with all young people, families and staff between February and June 2022.

Our agreed core values are:

Respect

Kindness

Ambition

Our Academy opened for young people in S1 on Tuesday 16th August, 2022.

Our Academy has three main aims.

Through working in close partnership and collaboration with our Academy community:

1/ Each person is fully supported as an individual to be included and celebrated to be happy and successful with their health and well-being at the centre of everything we do.

2/ We will provide excellent learning, teaching and assessment for all, using the most modern, collaborative and forward thinking practice.

3/ Each person achieves and attains at excellent individual levels to prepare them fully for a successful future.



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# Values, Vision and Aims:

Our Academy vision:

*To be a school community that is sector leading in providing excellent experiences, opportunities and outcomes for all young people - united in the joy of learning, collaboration and improvement to build healthy and successful futures.*



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## Winchburgh Community

You are all builders of our community (not just our Academy).

Partnership with Sinclair Academy (supporting one another)

- Teachers and staff will support your child to become the best version of themselves possible and we will add lots of value to their education
- Parents/Carers – you are the first educators of your children, they need you and we need you
- Staff have a duty to establish positive, respectful relationships with parents and young people just as parents and young people have a duty to establish positive, respectful relationships with staff (always remember that and thank you in advance for your support)
- Young people have much more chance of happiness and success when staff and parents/carers all work together positively and respectfully in line with our school values – **kindness, respect and ambition**

*'It takes a village to raise a child'*



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# 5 EXCELLENT EXPECTATIONS

## The Non-Negotiables of Winchburgh Academy



### ARRIVE

to class on time in a calm and respectful manner,  
fully prepared for all learning activities

### FOLLOW

all staff instructions straightaway

### ALWAYS

be kind to all others including your words,  
thoughts and actions

### LISTEN

attentively to the person who is meant to be talking

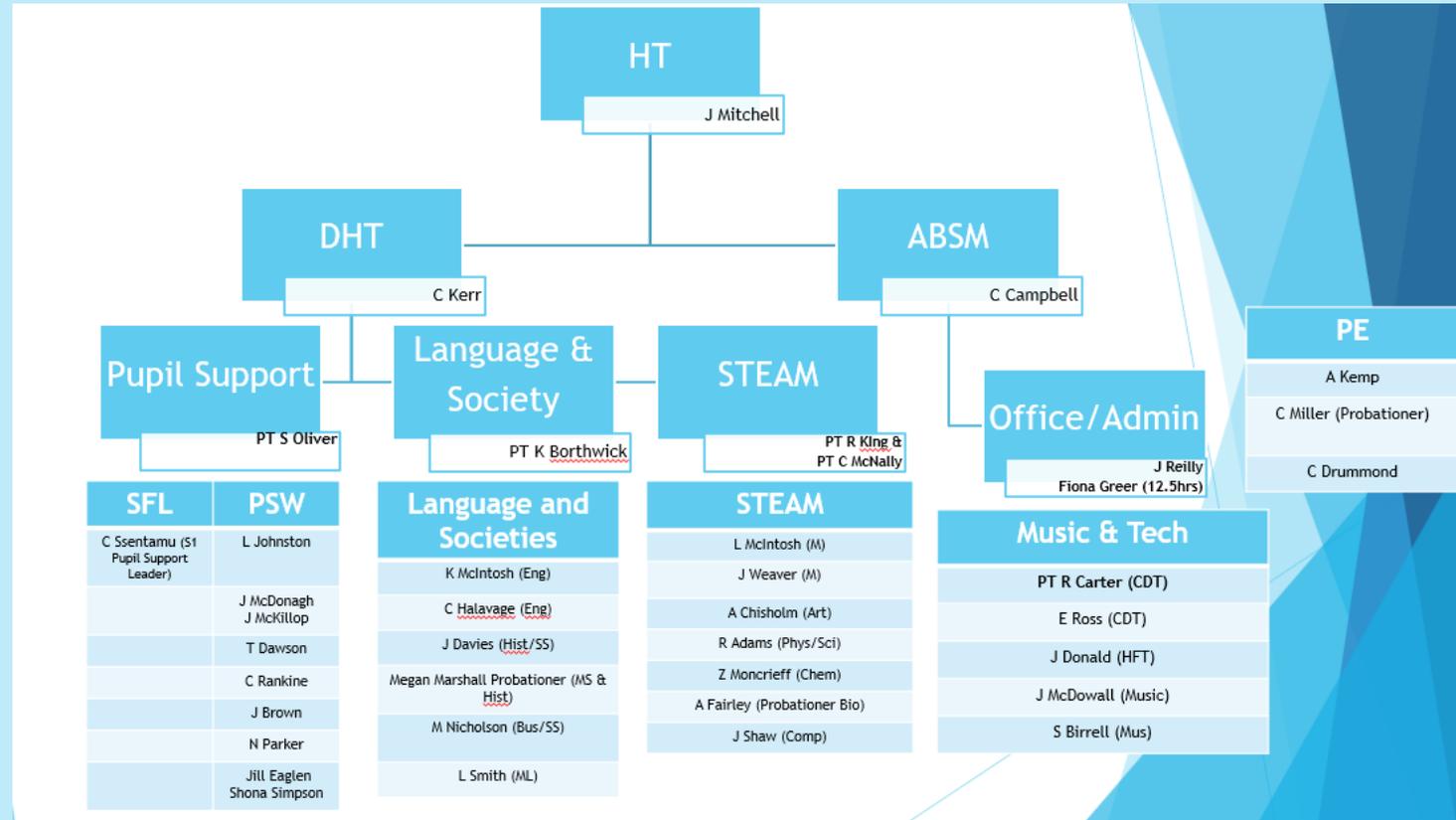
### TAKE CARE

of all resources, equipment and the  
environment/community



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# Winchburgh Academy Current Staffing



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# Pupil Support

- Pupil profiling & transition programme
- PSR Roles and Responsibilities/PSHE programme
- Pupil Support Team
- Health & Wellbeing programme
- Literacy & Numeracy Support
- Interventions for ASN
- Smile Counselling & wellbeing support
- External partnerships (ISS, SDS, CAMHS, CLD, NHS, Social Work)



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# Winchburgh Academy Pupil Support



Mrs Oliver  
PT Pupil Support



Mrs Ssentamu  
S1 Pupil Support  
lead/SfL



Laura Johnston  
PSW



Shona Simpson  
PSW



Janet McKillop  
PSW



Jen Brown  
PSW



Jill Eaglen  
PSW



Toni Keen  
PSW



Jenny McDonagh  
PSW



Robyn Waddell  
PSW



Nik Parker  
PSW



Connor Rankine  
PSW



Lynne Buckner  
SMILE



# S.M.I.L.E @ Winchburgh Academy

- ▶ Lynne is in Winchburgh Academy on a Tuesday and Thursday.
- ▶ She delivers 1 to 1 sessions, group sessions and is involved in our HWB programme



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# Rights Respecting School

- There are four key areas of impact for children at a Rights Respecting school; wellbeing, participation, relationships and self-esteem.
- The difference that a Rights Respecting School makes goes beyond the school gates, making a positive impact on the whole community.
- Children are healthier and happier
- Children feel safe
- Children have better relationships
- Children become active and involved in school life and the wider world



[REACH for our Rights: discussing the Gold Award with Winchburgh Academy](#)



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# Uniform & Our Academy Dress Code:

You can now order and purchase uniform items from our uniform supplier, Border Embroidery Uniforms [WINCHBURGH ACADEMY \(border-embroideries.co.uk\)](http://border-embroideries.co.uk)

Formal Uniform - Shirt, Tie, Blazer, V-neck Jumper, Black Trousers, Black Skirt & Tights, Plain Black Shoes

PE KIT - Winchburgh\_T-shirt & Shorts/Skort

Everyday Uniform - Winchburgh Hoodie, Leggings, Tracksuit Bottoms (optional - pupils can wear formal uniform every day if they prefer)



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**Sports Kit**

Our Academy sports kit can be ordered and purchased from BE Uniform:

[www.border-embroideries.co.uk](http://www.border-embroideries.co.uk)

These options suit from Our Academy PE kit and we will gift all PE kit to all pupils with a school and sports kit as part of their welcome pack in August. Orders have not been processed. You have the option to order and purchase further items if required. You will also need the following as you may need to change your kit. We recommend that all PE kit, young people remember a change of kit if wearing sports items from one change to school for religious and cultural or weather reasons.

- T-shirts
- Sleeved/short sleeve shirts /jumper (when communicated by your PE teacher)
- Sport Polo - from £13
- Sport Polo (optional) girls PE - from £12
- Sports shorts - from £12.50
- Skirt - from £14.10

**Our Academy Dress Code**

**Range of Alternative Options**

In addition to Our Academy required formal items of uniform (schoolie, schoolie jacket, white shirt, black trousers/skirt and all black footwear).

The following optional items can also be ordered and purchased from BE Uniform:

[www.border-embroideries.co.uk](http://www.border-embroideries.co.uk)

Tracksuit Bottoms - from £16

Hoodie - from £17.45

Legging - from £14.65

The following V-neck jumper with Our Academy badge can also be bought on an optional item priced from £18.99

Other items may be added to our range in due course in consultation with our uniform identity focus group.

**'OUR ACADEMY'**  
School Uniform  
2022-2023

**Our Academy Uniform**

Our Academy is aiming to provide a range of uniform items that are both cost effective and comfortable for all young people whilst at the same time supports busy 21st century family lives.

The following items are regarded as essential items. They will be worn on our first day and other identified days throughout the session where formal uniform is required.

At other times, young people can choose to wear any other items from our range as listed/identified throughout this leaflet—no other items are in line with our dress code.

**REQUIRED ITEMS (including all black footwear):**

- Navy blazer with badge (£37.99—£39.99 BE Uniform)
- Tartan tie (provided yr 1)
- White shirt - long/short sleeve
- Black school trousers/school skirt
- Plain black tights
- Plain (unbranded) Navy V-Neck jumper

**Our Academy Rationale & Dress Code**

We are pleased to provide details of Our Academy Uniform for 2022-23, alongside details of our uniform supplier.

There are a number of reasons for having a clearly identified dress code:

- 1) Safety reasons—as one school on our 'School in the Park' site, it is essential that all pupils are instantly recognisable as Winchburgh Academy pupils.
- 2) In its price, a sense of belonging in our school and projects a positive image across our community.
- 3) Our Academy uniform is appropriate, good quality, well priced and well in comparison to other branded clothing.
- 4) Removes stigma attached to not wearing more expensive branded items and therefore reduces peer pressure and protects the well-being of young people.

Formal Uniform Days in Our Academy:	All other days in Our Academy:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Navy blazer with badge</li> <li>• School tie</li> <li>• Tartan shirt</li> <li>• Black school trousers/school skirt</li> <li>• Plain black tights</li> <li>• Plain (unbranded) Navy V-Neck jumper or tracksuit with white and tartan tie</li> <li>• All other clothing items are NOT part of Our Academy Uniform</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formal uniform as described, regulated in the appropriate column</li> <li>OR</li> <li>• An appropriate and smart combination of any other items from Our Academy range as highlighted throughout this leaflet.</li> <li>• All other clothing items are NOT part of Our Academy Uniform</li> </ul>

For clarification/support, please do not hesitate to email us: [winchburgh-ac@westflotham.org.uk](mailto:winchburgh-ac@westflotham.org.uk)

Clothing Grants are available to those meeting certain criteria. More information can be found via the link below.

<http://www.westflotham.org.uk/membersandclothing>

If you need any support and assistance with this please contact the school of:

**SCHOOLS**

Although one fee will be gifted to all PE kit, if you need or would like another fee they can be purchased from the school office.

Please arrange to collect one free fee from the school office by 10am 8th August between 9am and 3pm. If you can't make it along of these times please email:

[winchburgh-ac@westflotham.org.uk](mailto:winchburgh-ac@westflotham.org.uk)

**BE Uniform**

**Ordering & Contact Information**

Blazer Order must be placed by 30th July for Annual delivery

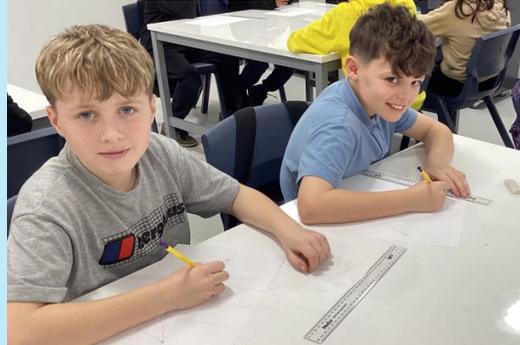
Young school discount available via BE Uniform Web-site

Online [www.border-embroideries.co.uk](http://www.border-embroideries.co.uk) & Customer Support: [beorder@border-embroideries.co.uk](mailto:beorder@border-embroideries.co.uk)

FREE Click & Collect to store available

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Tel: 0131 378 7409

# Partnership with Winchburgh Primary and Hawkhill Primary - P7 transition



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# Universal Transition Arrangements:

Date	Event	Details
Thursday 21 May Friday 22 May	Transition Day visits at Winchburgh Academy	All P7 children will take part in 2 days at the Academy where they follow a timetable, meet many teachers and their new classmates. 8.50am - 3.15pm (Thursday). 8.50am - 12.25pm (Friday)
Thursday 21 May	P7 Marketplace	Come along to our Atrium to visit our curriculum stalls, chat with staff and order our school uniform. 4.00pm - 6.00pm. Parents/carers and P7 children welcome.
June 2025	S1 Welcome Booklet	This booklet contains helpful information for starting in August such as timetable, who your child's PSR teacher will be as well as useful reminders about uniform.
Wednesday 12 August	S1 Welcome Assembly	Please join us at 9am in the theatre for our S1 Welcome Assembly. Parents/carers welcome.



# Enhanced Transition Arrangements:

Date	Event	Details
Thursday 16 April Thursday 30 April Thursday 14 May	Enhanced Transition Group	Should your child be involved in this a separate invite will be sent in due course. Identified P7 children welcome. 8.50am - 10.45am



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# Learning in S1

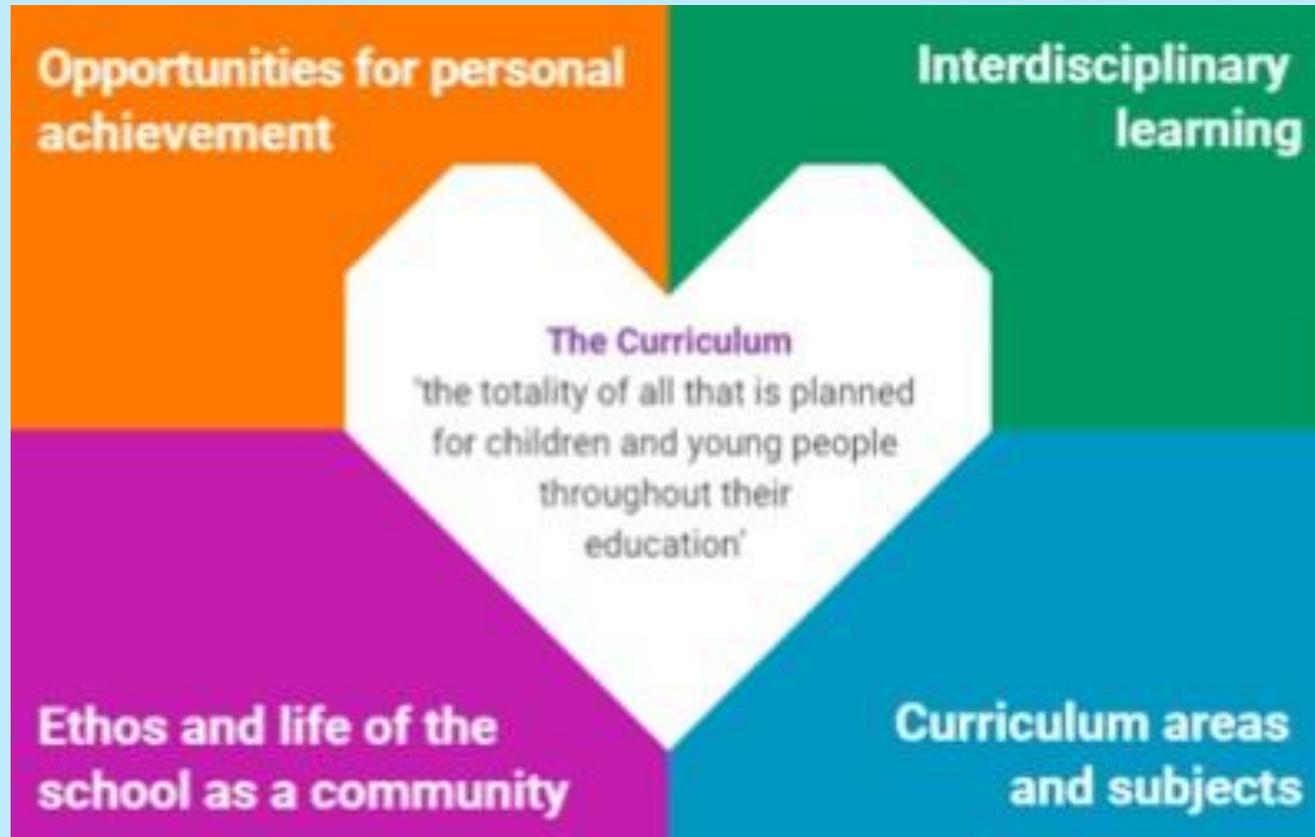
- Majority of classes will be double periods (100 minutes)
- Some shorter 50-minute periods
- Pupils will learn through the following areas:

Minutes	200	200	150	150	150	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	50	50
Subjects	English	Maths	Integrated Science	Integrated Social Subjects	PE	CDT / HFT	Art	Music	PBL	My Academy	Flexible Learning	Spanish	PSE	PSR



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# 4 Contexts of Learning

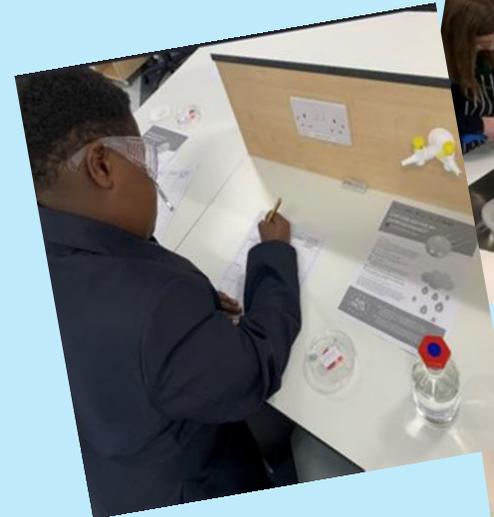


# My Academy

## My Academy :

Friday mornings after break are a chance for personalisation and choice, as our pupils to participate in their chosen 'My Academy'. Examples of this year's options are below:

- Golf
- Sewing Bee
- Swimming
- Football
- Winchburgh Heritage Trail
- School of Rock
- Fitness
- Games Design



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# PBL(Project Based Learning)

- Monday between break and lunchtime
- Focussed on skills development:
  - Innovation
  - Collaboration & Communication
  - Adapting & Initiative



## Flexible Learning - Friday Morning before break

- Targeted Literacy/Numeracy
- Cultural events
- Outdoor learning
- Computing
- Inter-school & Inter-house events
- Cross Campus events such as 'Show Racism the Red Card', 'Rights Respecting Morning' and developing our Campus Pledge



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# Current School Activities/Clubs Programme

## WINCHBURGH ACADEMY | TERM 2 CLUBS

26th January to 19th March | Lunch: 12.40 - 1.10pm | After School: 3.40 - 4.40pm

Any queries about any club please get in touch with the PE department: [Wlfraser.Forrest@glow.sch.uk](mailto:Wlfraser.Forrest@glow.sch.uk) or [wcallum.miller@glow.sch.uk](mailto:wcallum.miller@glow.sch.uk)

### Monday

● Art	Miss Chisholm	Lunch
● School Show	Ms McIntosh	Lunch
● Reading Club	Ms Halavage	Lunch
● S1/S2 Volleyball	Mr Miller	Lunch
● Badminton	Mr Arias	After School

### Tuesday

● Choir	Mrs Birrell	Lunch
● Futsal	Mr Fairley/Mr Forrest	Lunch
● STEM	Mr Fairley	After School
● Hockey	Mr MacLeod	After School
● Dance	Miss McIlhenny	After School
● Basketball	Mr Kemp	After School

### Wednesday

● Chess	Mr Weaver	Lunch
● Computing	Mr Shaw	Lunch
● Comic/Manga	Mr Fairley	Lunch
● History	Miss Marshall	Lunch
● S3/S4 Netball	Miss Drummond	Lunch
● S3/S4 Volleyball	Mr Miller	Lunch
● S1/S2 Netball	Mrs Walker	After School

### Thursday

● Basketball	Mr Forrest/Mr Kemp	Lunch
● Gymnastics	Mr Miller	After School

● Open to both Winchburgh & Sinclair Pupils

● Open to Winchburgh Pupils Only



REST, PLAY,  
CULTURE, ARTS

Please now make your way to the Atrium  
and join your Tour Guide.



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