

March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted that your child has been allocated a place at Maidenhill for September 2023. As a school, we pride ourselves in knowing our students as individuals and we look forward to working with your child, as well as with parents and carers.

There is a great deal of evidence to show that when parents and schools work together, students have the best chance of success at school and of achieving the best qualifications, they can. We hope that during the next five years, you will be fully involved in school life, attending school events such as information evenings, concerts, productions and sports day in addition to Parents' Evenings when you will be able to discuss your child's progress. It is also important to consult the term dates on the school website before booking holidays; missing any time from secondary school quickly leads to students falling behind with their work and holidays during term time will <u>not</u> be authorised.

As a school, we are constantly looking for ways to improve both the physical learning environment and the quality of the education that we provide for our young people. You may well be aware that when Ofsted last inspected Maidenhill in March 2022, they confirmed we continue to be a 'good' school and commended the school on its ethos and the positive learning experience that students have.

We wanted to give you advance notice of a few important dates for your diary. Any Year 6/7 information, including key dates, will be posted on our website, as we go through the summer term.

- Friday 7th July Discovery Day, for all our new Year 7 students starting in September 2023
- Monday 10th July at 5.30pm Parents' Evening for new parents/carers
- Tuesday 5th September First day of term 1 at 8.40am for the new Year 7

Between now and then, you will find important information on the school website and we will in due course be sending you an information pack containing further details about uniform, arrangements for music tuition, cashless catering etc. There will also be forms to be completed and returned before your child starts. Please note we expect <u>ALL</u> parents/carers to attend the Year 6 Parents' Evening in July.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Rome, Assistant Head Teacher, who oversees the transition from primary to secondary school. A member of Maidenhill staff will also contact all feeder primary schools before Discovery Day, so that we can begin to get to know your child.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs P Wilson

Head Teacher

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Head Teacher (Term 5 onwards)

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