

March 2025

Dear Primary 7 Parents/Carers,

We are very pleased to inform you that your child has been allocated a place at Drummond Community High School.

I am the Depute Head Teacher (DHT) in charge of P7- S1 transition along with my colleagues:

Mr Paley, Pupil Support Leader (PSL) for Annandale House; <a href="Michael.Paley@drummond.edin.sch.uk">Michael.Paley@drummond.edin.sch.uk</a>
Mr White, PSL for Bellevue House and <a href="Mark.White@drummond.edin.sch.uk">Mark.White@drummond.edin.sch.uk</a>
Ms Rankin, PSL for Claremont House. <a href="Leah.Rankin@drummond.edin.sch.uk">Leah.Rankin@drummond.edin.sch.uk</a>

Mrs Murphy is the Head of Support for Learning (SfL) and is also a key part of the transition from primary to secondary school.

The Year Head for S1 is Mrs Sloan Depute Head Teacher. Shona.Sloan@drummond.edin.sch.uk

This letter is the first of a series of communications I will be sending out to you to introduce you to the staff at Drummond Community High School and to explain how our school is organised.

You will find our website <a href="https://drummondhigh.org/">https://drummondhigh.org/</a> and our Twitter feed @Drummond\_chs useful as information is regularly posted here and on our App too. There is a separate tab on the website for P7-S1 transition.

Drummond's App can be downloaded in the App store, it is called School App for Parents.

Most of the P7 pupils joining us in August are from our catchment primary schools of Abbeyhill, Broughton and Leith Walk but a number are from other primary schools in Edinburgh, and we are delighted to welcome you all.

We will be talking soon with your child's P7 teachers to gather information about them as a person and as a learner. This helps us to create our new S1 classes. We try to make sure they are in the same House as any brothers or sisters that are already attending Drummond (their teacher may ask them about this).

Our S1 pupils always say that they have kept some of their primary friends but have also made lots of new friends. That is part of what is exciting about the move to secondary school, the opportunity of meeting lots of different new people some of whom will become close friends.

We have already started planning our transition program to make this transition as smooth as possible and to prepare your child for their move into secondary school.

Pupil Support Leaders will shortly visit them in their primary school, with an ex-pupil, to answer any questions they might have about transitioning to High School.

The 3-day transition visits the year are on the 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 19th of June 2025 in Drummond. We will also have a parental meeting on Monday the 16<sup>th</sup> of June at 6pm where you can meet us and ask any questions. More details about these two events will follow in letter 2.



Together we will support your child to become proud and confident S1 Drummond Community High School pupils.

Please let us know if you are not taking up your place at Drummond.

If you wish to email/call me with any questions, please find my details below.

Kind Regards,

Pauline Sharp

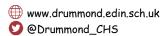
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