



Guidance Faculty

Parent Council Presentation
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Caseload Responsibility



Each Principal Teacher of Pupil Support (PTPS) is the Lead Professional for every pupil on their caseload.

We each have approximately 180 pupils each from S1 to S6.

We are the first point of contact for most issues with both pupils and parents.

Liaison with other agencies to support pupils

- Social Work
- Primary Mental Health Worker
- School Nurse
- Charity organisations - CASWA, KLICS, Mikeysline
- Educational Psychologist
- Paediatrician
- Youth Action Team
- CSWs



Areas of Focus throughout the year

- September - January UCAS/University Trip S6
- January - July Apprenticeship/College applications S4 to S6
- November Mock Interviews S4
- January - March Course Choices S2 to S5
- April - June Youth Philanthropy Initiative - S3



Targeted Interventions

- Attendance Officer Support
- Youth Development Officer
- Mentors
- Mentor Groups during Study Leave
- Fireskills
- Ross County Personal Development Programme
- G2G



Support for ASN Pupils

Currently in Highland 40% - 70% of all pupils have a recorded need. The reasons for this could include a Learning Disability, Dyslexia, ASD, Social and Emotional Difficulty, Mental Health, Looked after Child or Family Issues to name just a few.

It is increasingly more common to find we are supporting the wider family and also visit homes with another member of staff. The conditions that some of our young people are living with are abysmal.

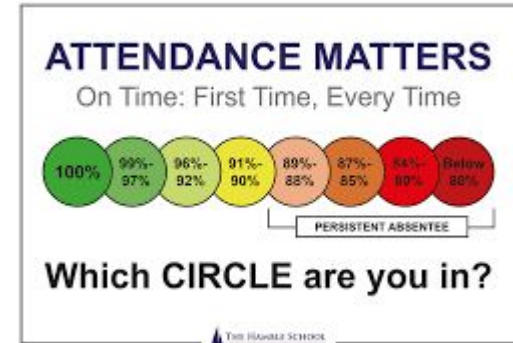
Transitions

- P7 into S1
- Year to Year
- Post-school, working alongside other agencies such as Developing the Young Workforce, Skills Development Scotland, UHI North, Employability



Attendance

- Scottish Wide
 - Direct impact on learning
 - 2011 - 93.4% 2012 - 93%
 - Currently - 89.8
- Letters home, meetings agency support.



THANK YOU

