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Dear Parent / Carer,

As we come to the end of 2023, I am pleased to be able to update you on several matters. You will also find attached a copy of our Academy Star (Christmas Edition) newspaper.

We say goodbye to Mrs Sheila Cameron who has been a teacher of ASL at the Academy for over 5 years. I am sure you would want to join me in wishing Mrs Cameron a happy and healthy retirement.

We also say goodbye to Ms Jenny Burr (PSA) and Miss Kirstie Mulheron (Modern Languages) who are both moving on to new posts.

In November we were delighted to welcome to our Science Faculty Mr Stephen Dempsey (Physics). Also joining us over the last term have been Mrs Louise French, Mrs Fiona Daun and Mrs Sam Hutchison joining our PSA team.

Can I ask for your help when dropping off and picking up pupils from the Campus. Cars must not stop or park in front of the bus terminal. Unfortunately, cars have been causing an obstruction which has been affecting the buses ability to drop off and collect pupils safely.

#### **NHS Vaccinations 2024**

NHS staff are scheduled to attend Inverurie Academy from Monday 26/02/24 to Friday 01/03/24 to carry out HPV/DTP/MMR vaccinations predominately for S1 and S3 pupils. Consent forms will be distributed in early January .


As we move into 2024, some of the key dates for next term are listed below:

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Start of Term
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> January	Start of S4/5/6 Assessment Weeks (Study Leave begins)
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January -	S2 (Group 1) away to Loch Eil
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	S2 (Group 1) returns from Loch Eil
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January -	S2 (Group 2) away to Loch Eil

Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	S2 (Group 2) return from Loch Eil
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Parent Council Meeting 7pm
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	S2 into S3 Option Choice Evening
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	End of S4/5/6 Study Leave
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	S2 Parents Evening
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Careers Evening
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Occasional Day
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Occasional Day
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	In-Service Day
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	In-Service Day
W/C Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	S4/5/6 Reports issued
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	S3 Parents Evening
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Parent Council Meeting 7pm
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Spring Concert
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Last Day of Term

Finally, can I thank you all once again for your continued support of Inverurie Academy and can I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Healthy New Year.

Yours sincerely



Mr N Hendry  
**Head Teacher**

