

Education Resources Curriculum and Quality Improvement Service

Establishment Improvement Plan 2017 - 2018

Lesmahagow High School





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Overview of Establishment 3 Year Cycle of Improvement Plan Priorities Sessions: 2017-2020

National Improvement Framework Key Priorities

- Improvement in attainment, particularly in literacy and numeracy;
- Closing the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged children;
- Improvement in children and young people's health and wellbeing; and
- Improvement in employability skills and sustained positive school leaver destinations for all young people.

National Improvement Framework Key Drivers	HGIOS 4 and Early Learning and Childcare Indicators	SLC Education Resources Themes
School leadership	1.1 Self Evaluation for self-improvement 1.2 Leadership for learning 1.3 Leadership of change 1.4 Leadership and management of staff 1.5 Management of resources to promote equity 2.1 Safeguarding and child protection 2.2 Curriculum	Transforming Learning and Teaching
Teacher professionalism Description of the second	1.4 Leadership and management of staff1.5 Management of resources to promote equity	Implementing Curriculum for Excellence
Parental engagementAssessment of children's progress	 2.2 Curriculum 2.3 Learning teaching and assessment 2.4 Personalised support 2.5 Family learning 2.6 Transitions 	Meeting the Needs of all Learners', GIRFEC and Statutory Duties
School improvementPerformance information		Skills for Learning, Life and Work
	 3.2 Raising attainment and achievement/Securing children's progress 3.3 Increasing creativity and employability/ Developing 	Professional Learning
	creativity and skills for life and learning	Leadership (Change and Improvement)

Strategic Priorities 3 Year Cycle

- 1. To improve the literacy and numeracy skills of **every** pupil, through high quality learning and teaching and targeted support, to raise attainment.
- 2. To ensure positive, sustained destinations for all pupils through increased emphasis on skills for work and an improved curriculum.
- 3. To monitor the impact of our work to ensure that we deliver excellence and equity for **all** pupils, in conjunction with developing a culture of growth mindset.

National Improvement Framework Key Priorities Collaboration and consultation Improvement in attainment, particularly in literacy and numeracy; (list stakeholders): Closing the attainment gap between the most and least disadvantaged children; • Integrated Support Team Improvement in children and young people's health and wellbeing; and Skills Development Scotland Improvement in employability skills and sustained positive school leaver destinations for all young **Business Partners** people. **SLC Education Resources Themes National Improvement Framework Key Drivers HGIOS 4 and Early Learning and Childcare Indicators** Transform Learning and 1.1 Self Evaluation for self-improvement School leadership Teaching/Implement CfE 1.2 Leadership for learning 1.3 Leadership of change Teacher professionalism 1.4 Leadership and management of staff Meeting the Needs of all Learners', 1.5 Management of resources to promote equity **GIRFEC** and Statutory Duties 2.1 Safeguarding and child protection Parental engagement 2.2 Curriculum 2.3 Learning teaching and assessment Assessment of children's progress 2.4 Personalised support Skills for Learning, Life and Work 2.5 Family learning School improvement 2.6 Transitions 2.7 Partnership **Professional Learning** 3.1 Ensuring wellbeing, equality and inclusion Performance information 3.2 Raising attainment and achievement/Securing children's progress Leadership (Change and 3.3 Increasing creativity and employability/ Developing Improvement) creativity and skills for life and learning

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Strategic Priority	PEF	Intended Impact	Measures of Success	Actual Impact
To improve the literacy and numeracy skills of every pupil.		100% of leavers will achieve level 3 or 4 in literacy and numeracy.	Insight data, SQA results, positive destinations, professional judgement of teachers	
2. To ensure positive, sustained destinations for all pupils.		100% of leavers secure a sustained and positive destination	SQA data for leavers. Destination figures and reports.	

3. To monitor the impact of our work to ensure that we deliver excellence and equity for all pupils.	Quality management systems show that appropriate support and challenge is in place to meet the needs of all learners.	performing that of our VC schools.	

Operational Improvement Planning (Action Plan) for Establishment: Session: 2017-18

Strategic Priority 1: To improve the literacy and numeracy skills of every pupil.

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		Leadership (Change and Improvement)		

Key Actions (How)	*Lead Person	*Timescale	*Comments
1.1 To continue the work of the literacy and numeracy groups, including further work on the profiling of skills.			
Key actions include:			
Improving the quality of learning and teaching – professional learning opportunities linked to Visible Learning for all teachers.	Barbara Lee	Launched in August 2017 and discussed at DMs throughout the session. Evaluated April 2018.	
Continue to place emphasis on the importance of reading and encouraging reading for pleasure.	Louise Parsons, Hazel Laird and members of the Literacy Group.	Throughout session 2017-18.	
working more closely with primary colleagues; fulfilling the targets set out in the Lesmahagow Learning Community Plan regarding numeracy;	David Burns and the members of the Numeracy Group.	Throughout session 2017-18.	
focusing on improving the pace and challenge for more able pupils in the BGE;	Principal Teachers and DHTs.	Throughout session 2017-18 in line with Learning Community timescales.	
Improving the impact of the profiling system.	Alastair Gray and members of the Profiling Group.	S3: Development August – December 2017; Collation – February – March; Possible S3 Profile Ceremony March/April 2018.	
1.2 To review courses in line with new BGE	Principal Teachers and link DHTs	Session 2017-18.	
benchmarks for literacy and numeracy and to match the assessments with National 3 learning outcomes.		Review will take place of literacy and numeracy courses.	
Introduction of whole school tracking method for BGE attainment		Professional dialogue will take place on a suitable model for BGE	

		tracking for Lesmahagow High School in line with SLC audit tool.	
1.3 To continue the implementation of the curriculum review to ensure that all pupils can access a range of experiences and qualifications and wider achievements from the BGE through to the Senior Phase.	Extended Leadership Team	Session 2017-18 will see the introduction of Drama in S1-S6 and the planning for successful implementation of Modern Studies in 2018-19 for S1-S6.	
1.4 To implement SQA changes to N5 courses and plan for subsequent changes to Higher and AH courses in future years.	Subject specialists	Throughout session	
1.5 Successful implementation of SNSA tests for Literacy and Numeracy.	PT Maths, PT English, G Parry	April 2018	
1.6 To extend opportunities for Parental Engagement.	R McGowan, DHTs and wider staff	April 2018	

Operational Improvement Planning (Action Plan) for Establishment:

Strategic Priority 2: To ensure positive, sustained destinations for **all** students.

Key Actions (How)	*Lead Person	*Timescale	*Comments
2.1 To respond to the needs of leavers through the following actions: identify their choices of destination at an early stage and build a system of support and tracking; introduce a programme for developing workplace skills; improve skills for work for all pupils and link to profiling; identify potential leavers in S4 and create bespoke learning experiences; create Learner Journeys to increase certainty of destination.	Sam Young and Barbara Lee Integrated Support Team Skills Development Scotland links Alastair Gray and Pupil Support Team and Profiling Group	Throughout the session. Refer to DYW Calendar.	
2.2 Clarity on exact number of leavers along with accurate leaving date.	Alastair Gray and Pupil Support Team	Ongoing	
2.3 Reduce the number of young people in categories of negative destinations through use of partnership, intelligence and resources.	A Gray and Pupil Support Team, Youth Employability, SDS	Ongoing	
2.4 Greater understanding of participation/SLDR by all partners.	A Gray and Pupil Support Team, Youth Employability, SDS	Ongoing	
2.5 Continuing to improve employability tracking of our most vulnerable young people aged 16-18 years.	A Gray and Pupil Support Team, Youth Employability, SDS, Social Work, Housing Services	Ongoing	
2.6 Gap is decreased in positive and sustained positive destinations within the bottom three deciles and the remaining seven deciles of young people aged 16-18 years.	A Gray and Pupil Support Team, Youth Employability	Ongoing	
2.7 Young people identified as winter leavers and in danger of disengaging from school throughout the summer and towards Christmas are identified and targeted.	A Gray and Pupil Support Team, Youth Employability	Ongoing	

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To set a target of 90% of school leavers in positive destinations. 2.8 To develop further the quality of learning and teaching in both the BGE and the Senior Phase to address the learning needs of all pupils through: providing appropriate professional learning activities such as opportunities for practitioner enquiry; departmental and whole-school sharing of practice; building a greater understanding of literacy, numeracy, health and wellbeing approaches; sharing strategies to increase pace and challenge; time to participate in moderation activities; improving our pedagogy to ensure that every lesson counts – every class, every	A Gray and Pupil Support Team, Youth Employability CLPL Group Quality Management Group Literacy, Numeracy and Health and Wellbeing Groups Integrated Support Team Principal Teachers	Ongoing In-service Day activities through the session Refer to: CLPL Calendar Quality Management calendar DYW calendar	
period, every day! 2.9 To review and implement a new approach to Work Placements for those leaving school. All students leaving school should have the opportunity to participate in a relevant work placement in their final year.	Barbara Lee and Work Placement Team	To be confirmed following advice from SLC in August 2017.	

Strategic Priority 3: To monitor the impact of our work to ensure that we deliver excellence and equity for **all** pupils, in conjunction with developing a culture of growth mindset.

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3.1 To create a system that will track and monitor pupils' learning journeys.	A Gray and Jim Mallaghan, PTs Pupil Support Sam Young, DYW Leader Barbara Lee Integrated Support Team	Ongoing	

As part of the transitions programme there will be a focus on	School Improvement Group		
skills for work and career planning b. to develop a consistent and			
strategic approach to the			
recording, analysis and use of			
assessment data in the BGE to			
identify the development needs			
of individuals and groups of learners at departmental and			
whole school level, plan suitable			
interventions and inform self-			
evaluation.			
c. Continue to track and monitor			
the progress of students in the Senior Phase and work in			
partnership with parents/carers			
to support young people in			
attainment.			
	Richard McGowan	Review of 2017 data in	
3.2 To continue to challenge and support in the interrogation of Insight data in our	Barbara Lee Principal Teachers	September/October Further review in February 2018.	
pursuit of improved attainment for all.	Fillicipal Teachers	Turther review in February 2016.	
3.3 To ensure that all staff understand How Good is our School?4 and to be using it	Senior Management Team School Improvement Group	Throughout session.	
effectively at classroom, department,	Principal Teachers		
faculty and whole-school levels.	•		
2.4 To involve more staff in self-evaluation	School Improvement Group	Throughout accion	
3.4 To involve more staff in self-evaluation and observation building on this session's	S Young All staff	Throughout session.	
learning rounds.	7 iii otan		
3.5 To raise awareness of the needs of	A		
pupils with ASD as set out in the Learning Community Improvement	Alastair Gray and Pupil Support Team	Throughout session	
Plan and professional learning for	Tony Gillespie, Educational	Throughout 3030ion	
all staff in SLC ASD training.	Psychologist		

3.6 HMIe Preparation	All staff	Throughout session	
	All staff, pupils, Parent Council,		
3.7 Review and refresh our School's vision	parents	August – December 2017.	
3.8 To continue to develop Growth Mindset			
within the school to improve outcomes for	G Parry and Growth Mindset		
young people and their families.	Working Group	Throughout Session	

Establishment Maintenance Improvement Planning

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Key Actions (from previous plans)

- 1. Continue the Merit System from S1 to S3 and continue to evaluate its success Graham Parry
- 2. Continue our work in Health and Wellbeing, especially our work in mental health and wellbeing Graham Parry
- 3. Respond to the GIRFEC agenda Alastair Gray
- 4. Continue to build business links/partnerships Barbara Lee
- 5. Find ways of tackling bureaucracy in all aspects of school life Richard McGowan
- 6. Promote and experiment with quality IDL experiences Graham Parry
- 7. Revisit the Religious Observance policy and practice Richard McGowan
- 8. Continue implementation of new uniform policy SMT