



Dear Parent/Carer,

I am delighted to announce that our school has been selected by the Scottish FA to be part of a new School of Football programme in partnership with Alloa Athletic Football club.

A qualified (accredited by Scottish FA) coach will be employed for the daily delivery and coordination of each School of Football group and will be responsible for the daily delivery and coordination of the project. Pupils involved in the programme will receive up to 4 Football sessions per week during the timetabled week. For more information on the SOF programme please see attached brochure. Following the first stage of the application process, we will be in direct contact with parents/carers to discuss in greater detail the programme and what it entails for your son/daughter before a final decision is made.

The new programme will operate 3 distinct groups;

S1 Boys - Maximum of 20 pupils
S2 Boys - Maximum of 20 pupils
S1/2 Girls - Maximum of 20 pupils

The first stage of our application process begins next week where we will be hosting performance try outs at Lornshill Academy for any pupil currently in S1 or S2 who is interested.

These will be held on the following dates/times;

S1 Boys - Wednesday 7th October 3.50 – 5.15 pm

S2 Boys – Thursday 8th October 3.00 - 4.30 pm.

S1/2 Girls – Thursday 8th October 3.00 - 4.30 pm.

Pupils should arrive at the PE building at the end of the school day – bring change of kit including appropriate clothing to play football – boots/shin pads if possible but not essential.

Pupils must make their own way home after the session. Due to current circumstances parents/carers are not permitted to observe from the side of the astroturf and must remain in their car in the school park if collecting pupils. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

If your son/daughter would like to attend the try outs on the relevant date above, please click on the link below and complete the online application form. **Closing date for online applications is 4 pm Tuesday 6th October.** Pupils will not be able to attend unless this application has been submitted.

<https://www.scottishfa.co.uk/football-development/participation/childrens-youth-football/cashback-for-communitites/school-of-football-application-form/>

Yours Sincerely

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