

What is a chaplain?

GROVE ACADEMY Chaplaincy

The Chaplaincy Team at Grove Academy consists of the Head Teacher, members of staff, pupils and chaplains all working together for the betterment of the school.

Head Teacher

Mr. Graham Hutton

Staff

Mrs. Mharaid Berry Mr. Gerry Dillon

Pupils

Lewis Quinn Laura Sinclair Victoria Sanches

Chaplains

Rev. Dr. Francis Bridger St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Rev. Catherine Collins Broughty Ferry New Kirk

Rev. Alberto de Paula Broughty Ferry Presbyterian

Imam Vali Hussein

Mr. Patrick Sullivan The Church of Christ at Campfield Square

Rev. Dr. Brian Talbot Broughty Ferry Baptist

Rev. Graham Taylor St. Luke's & Queen Street Parish Church

Mr. Gary Torbet

Youth Worker, Broughty Ferry Baptist Church

Each activity or event taken forward by the Chaplaincy Team aims to have historical and contemporary relevance in keeping with recent guidelines from Scottish Education.

For further information

If you would like to know more about the Grove Academy Chaplaincy or to contact any specific chaplain please see the Chaplaincy Information Board or contact the school office.



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Chaplaincy Purpose

The Chaplaincy in Grove Academy aims to support the educational experience for pupils and staff of any or no faith, keeping them connected to the larger community around them. Our chaplains assist the school by serving in key areas requested by the school and act as representatives of their respective faiths on the 'Chaplaincy Team.' The Grove Academy Chaplaincy Team works under the supervision of the Head Teacher and in compliance with Curriculum for Excellence.

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Key Areas of Involvement Leaders of Religious Observance

Religious Observance is defined by Scottish Government as:

"Community acts which aim to promote the spiritual development of all members of the school community and express and celebrate the shared values of the school community."

Chaplains support the creative celebration of religious observance and other festivals.

Pastoral Care

 Chaplains offer care for any member of the school community including parents, who may be in need at times of illness, bereavement or difficulty. Chaplains are happy to liaise with members of other faith communities beyond the school when needed.

- Chaplains also seek to offer support and encouragement to the staff, pupils and parents throughout general school life.
- Pastoral support offered to pupils and staff will be confidential, and non-judgemental regardless of their beliefs or life situations.
- In all forms of care, chaplains work collaboratively with other pupil support systems in the school.

Support for the Curriculum

 Chaplains have a wealth of training, experience and skills which can be shared within the school and enhance the delivery of the Curriculum for Excellence.

- In particular, chaplains support pupil interaction in RMPE, pupil chaplaincy and other relevant school activities.
- When appropriate the chaplains/ Chaplaincy Team endeavour to provide creative and experiential opportunities for spiritual development through projects and special events.

Community Connection

- Chaplains are representatives of their own faith communities and work within the local community of Grove Academy.
- They provide links with other local organisations, raising school awareness in the surrounding area.
- Chaplains are often invited to take part in special events within the life of the school.