

Welcome Back



Gracemount High School A Rights Respecting School

'Committed to care and excellence'

Values – We are a Rights Respecting School



- **A**spiration 
- **M**utual respect 
- **B**eing valued 
- **I**nstilling resilience 
- **T**olerance and fairness 
- **I**ndividual responsibility 
- **O**ptimism 



LEVEL 1

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3 categories of awards

Bronze Awards - award issued by Guidance teacher and letter/text sent home.

- S1/2 – 10 postcards
- S3 - 8 postcards
- S4-6 – 6 postcards

Silver Awards - issued by DHT and letter/text sent home

- S1/2 – 20 postcards
- S3 – 16 postcards
- S4-6 – 12 postcards

Gold Awards issued by HT and letter sent home. Pupil who receive a Gold award (or top 15 pupils in each year group) also qualify for end of term year group trip.

- S1/2 – 30 postcards
- S3 – 24 postcards
- S4-6 – 18 postcards



What's important?



School Aims



1. **95% of S3** pupils achieve third Level Literacy & Numeracy or better by the end of S3.
2. All pupils in S4 to get **at least 5 qualifications**
3. Improve attendance and punctuality - average attendance for all pupils to be **95%+**
4. Deliver opportunities for **personal development** through vocational and wider achievement opportunities.
5. Every young person will be safe, healthy, achieving, nurtured, active, respected, responsible and included.
6. Improve **employability skills** and achieve **100% positive leavers destinations**.
7. Achieve **RRS level 2 award** – want to be the first secondary school in Edinburgh

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Attendance Target

95%



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Importance of attending



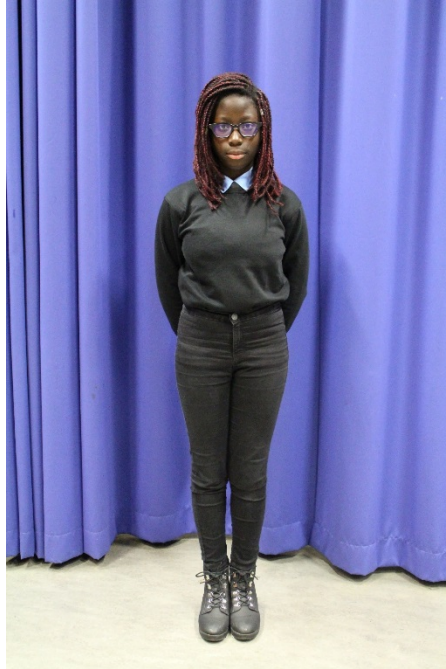
- 95% = 2 school weeks missed
- 90% = 1 full month missed from school
- 85% = 6 school weeks missed – **CONCERN**
- 80% - 2 full months missed of school – **SIGNIFICANT CONCERN**

Afternoon Attendance



- Truancy texts are being sent home for any pupil that is not on school in the afternoon.
- All names will be reported to SLT and will be followed up
- All **TBC's** (morning and afternoon) will be followed up by your register and guidance teacher

Our dress code – why?



A positive school culture.
Safe.
Predictable, and consistent.
Being part of a community.
A sense of belonging.



- **Our full and proper Gracemount High School uniform is what sets us apart.**
- **As a successful school we are proud to dress for success.**
- **Play your part and support our school community by wearing full and proper uniform at all times.**

Junior and Senior Tie

- Looking to design a new tie for S1-3.
- S3 moving into S4 will be presented with their Senior Tie
- Competition will be led by the Art department – deadline February Break.



LEVEL 2

What is not our dress code

- Shoes that are not black
- Torn jeans / trousers
- Tracksuit
- Leggings with no skirt

Two weeks time - No dress code

Pink
Slip

- Pink slip issued – you should show this to any staff at request.
- Name will be recorded.
- 5 times – DHT contacts home
- If situation continues consideration you will not participate in school trips/teams etc. unless it is an exceptional circumstance.



Fizzy Juice



Research has shown that consuming 340ml of sugary drink a day (which equates to less than one can) **increases your risk of type 2 diabetes by 22%.**



Dining Hall

- Litter can be a major issue.
- Look after your school.
- **If this becomes an issue then only food from canteen will be eaten in canteen.**

**The only
cure for
LITTER
is you.**

School Movement - reminders



PE – Orange upstairs only. You cannot go down these stairs except at the end of P2 (Interval), P5 (Lunchtime) and P7 (end of the school day)

Art – Green downstairs only. You cannot go up these stairs – to access English and Maths you move along the CDT/HE corridor

Use of Fire Exits



School Grounds

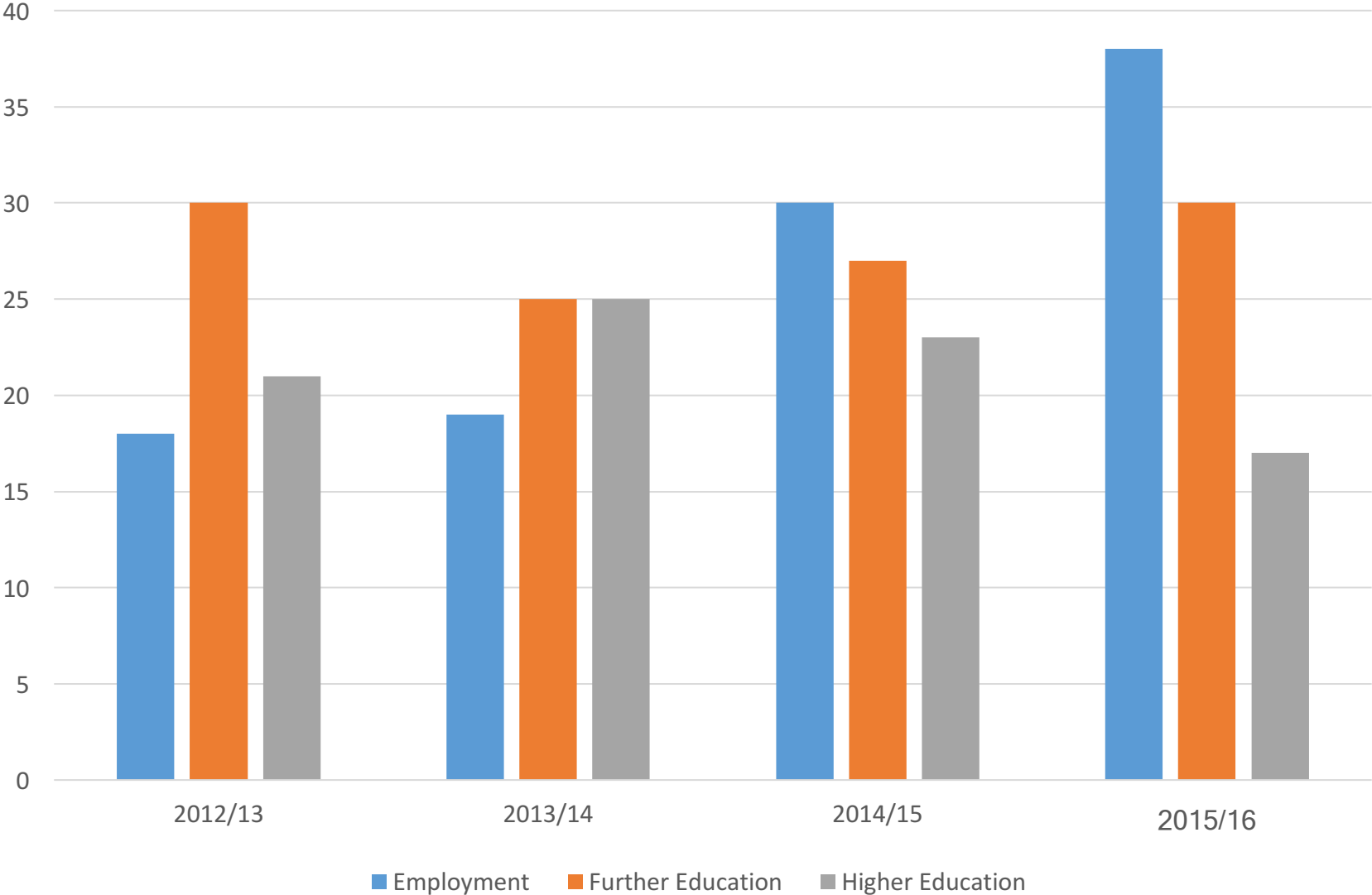


- Remember you are not allowed out of school grounds at interval – immediate on call.



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Leavers Destinations



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Top 5 Skills for Work ?

VERBAL COMMUNICATION	1	
TEAMWORK	2	
COMMERCIAL AWARENESS	3	
ANALYSING & INVESTIGATING	4	
INITIATIVE/SELF MOTIVATION	5	(Time Keeping/Punctuality)