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Dear Parent/Carer

Armadale Academy School App

I am delighted to inform you about the launch of our new school app. By downloading the app you will be able to access school information instantly. You will also be able to receive alerts and messages. Please see the attached document which outlines the benefits. Further instructions about how to download the app will be distributed in our launch week, which will be next week.

I can now also confirm that Mr Graham Paris will begin his post as Head Teacher on Monday 4th March 2019. My last day will be Friday the 1st of March. I am delighted to take up post as Principal Officer for Additional Support Needs for West Lothian Council.

Once again, I would like to thank you for your support in my time as Head Teacher. I wish you and your children every success in the future.

Yours sincerely

Carol McDonald

Carol McDonald Head Teacher







Benefits to Parents who Download Armadale Academy School App

- Download is easy and simple, from either Apple or Google Play app stores
- Up to date information of what is <u>Happening in School</u> on a daily basis from Pupil advertiser. (*Previously only shown to pupils in school*, which meant if pupils were absent they could miss out on big events)
- School Calendar Showing all future events in the Academic Year. (regularly updated for you to plan ahead for important events, holidays, to ensure it does not clash with important dates which your child may be involved in, such as Prelim and SQA exams.)
- Instant Messages to App Users of important issues regarding Whole School Emergencies, Reminders for Parent Evenings, School Shows, Dress Down Days, Sporting Events, Twitter Feed Messages
- Instant Link to School Website- where you can find more information about the curriculum, school policies etc.
- Instant Link to IPAY, On-Line Payments for School Meals, School Trips and other School Fees.(which means pupils won't be carrying money to school, no more searching for change first thing in the morning)
- School Canteen Menu and prices
- Who you should contact at school when you have concerns about your child. (via Current Management & PTC list)
- School Day –Period by Period, (especially helpful if you are taking your child out of school for appointments, knowing when they start & finish and when they are on their morning and lunch breaks).
- **Term Time Dates** (for current and following year, as it becomes available from WLC)