



Brechin High School

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Weekly Update 19.04.24

Message from the Head Teacher

This has been the last week of our S4, S5 and S6 timetable, pupils and staff have made the most of their time together. Mrs Dunsmore's SQA assembly on Tuesday was well attended, with pupils asking sensible questions. We know how stressful this time of year is for young people and families, please make sure as parents you see a copy of your child's SQA timetable so you can support them to be ready on the right day and at the right time. We've emphasised that exams are better done by being well rested and not feeling hungry, the staff in the attainment hub have toast, and other food, available for pupils who need it.

Next week sees the start of the Pathways to Success study program. This has been designed following the feedback I asked for from parents and pupils after last year's exam diet. It does rely on our senior pupils behaving in a mature way and parents communicating with us. Thank you in advance for your support with this. I hope the hybrid model we are offering allows the flexibility for your child to study in the way that works best for them and your family. The ongoing support on offer from our senior phase teachers is extensive, with further individual support being arranged in communication with those who need it or have work still outstanding.

The P7 sports transition today has been blessed with sunshine (& some wind). Plenty of smiles, energy and enthusiasm from the s3 helpers and all of the P7s, it has been a joy to see.

Our S6 pupils have been celebrating their last few days in school by dressing up! Some fun photos below!



Tree Planting Day

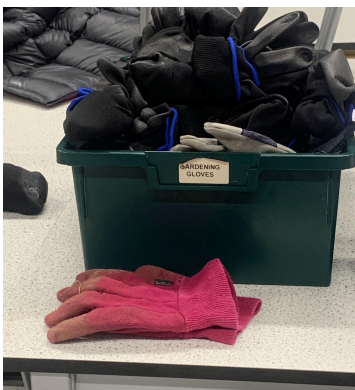
On Thursday the 28th of March all S1- S3 were involved in planting trees as part of a food forest. Planning for this started many weeks before . Mrs Hutton our Support Services Manager made sure we had staff in position to get our young people on site ,minimise the mud coming into school and topped up equipment for us. The students taking Rural studies had painted 420 stakes, topped and tailed 420 waste plastic bottles, cable ties added to bottles, then mapped out and hammered in 420 stakes.



You can see that the ground has some grass and weeds and some paths made by the dog walkers, but there is a great deal of bare soil.



On the day we were prepared by 9 o'clock. Gloves, boots, tree guards, spades all ready for pupils to use...and of course 420 trees!



So to the land we went, with students and some expert advice. School staff; past and present were involved as well. One of the Scotia team is a former student.



Time ran out and all but a few trees were not planted, these went in over during Easter break. Well done to everyone involved!