



Grange Academy Weekly Bulletin

17th February 2025



Girls' Football Away Game

Reminder to **S1/S2 Football Girls:**

Game this **Thursday (20th Feb) 3.30pm - 5pm at Belmont Academy!**

You will need to leave half way through period 6 on Thursday to make your way there.

Please see Mrs Linton if you have any questions!



Prom 2025

- Table plans and menu options are now on the table outside the science staff base.
- Every pupil must pick 3 courses (even if you aren't planning on eating one of them) and tables can be no more than 10 pupils.
- If you are a table of less than 10 you might be combined with another small table.
- Please do not move anyone from a table without their consent! If you do not pick your table and menu this will be allocated for you.
- There is also a suggestion box outside the base where you can post your song requests, award category requests and ideas for items such as a photobooth. Please be sensible with this!
- Full payment should now be made via parent pay.



Ayrshire Cancer Support Prom Event



A reminder about Ayrshire Cancer Support's upcoming Prom event, this weekend!

It will be held at their Preloved Shop at 43 Newmarket Street, Ayr on **Sunday the 23rd of February** between 12pm – 4pm.

At this event, there will be a selection of brand NEW and preloved prom dresses for sale, alongside brand new heels and accessories; all generously donated by L Occasionwear and Clinic 22. Heels and clutches will be available in several sizes and amounts. They will also have some suits available.

All money raised from sales at this event will allow Ayrshire Cancer Support to continue to provide free and vital support services to children, young people and adults affected by cancer throughout Ayrshire.



S3 Duke of Edinburgh



Any S3 pupils who are interested in starting the Duke of Edinburgh award should attend a meeting **today** during lunch, in the games hall **at 1.30pm**.

Thank you.



Darts Competition

Any pupil in S1-S3 who paid to participate in the recent darts competition is now eligible to enter a knockout competition.

Fixtures will be announced once all entries are in, and will all take place during lunchtime or after school.

Pupils have until this Friday, 21st February to give their name to Mr Baird if they are interested.





Football Boot Recycling

Our recycling box for football boots is running a little low on stock.

If any pupils have boots that no longer fit or are not being used, please use the box and we can find another owner for them so we can have more people ready to play football and less waste by boots being thrown out or not used.

The box can be found in the nearest corner of the PE store cupboard.





Purple Friday Event

This year, Purple Friday takes place on Friday 28th February.

To celebrate the day, there will be purple-themed activities taking place in the library during P1 and P2, which will allow us to have some fun while also showing our support to all LGBT+ young people.

Activities include: nail painting, photo booth, create your own Pride flag, badge making and more...!

Any pupils who are interested in taking part should head to the library and sign up with Miss Cooper by Monday 24th February.





Pathways to Careers

Wednesday 19th February 2025
Ayrshire College Kilmarnock

East Ayrshire's Pathways to Careers Event is running again this year.

Businesses from all over Ayrshire will be present to talk about career and apprenticeship opportunities.

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S1 BLACKPOOL DAY TRIP 2025

- **Date – Thursday 29th May 2025**
- **Time – Bus leaves Grange Academy at approx. 6am (Time TBC and returns around 10pm)**
- **Cost – £55 per pupil (this includes transport and park ticket)**

If you would like to attend, please add your name to the sign-up sheet outside the Guidance office by Friday 28th February.

There are around 110 places on this trip so names may be drawn randomly if it is oversubscribed.

Consent forms will be issued in March to those pupils who have secured a space.

Any questions, please speak to Mrs Causer in Guidance.



Space School 2025

S5 Pupils Only



University of
Strathclyde
Glasgow

About the Scottish Space School

- The Scottish Space School is an exciting initiative supported by the international space community to inspire and motivate young people to study science and engineering and consider careers in these areas.
- It is hosted by the University of Strathclyde, Department of Electronic and Electrical Engineering along with NASA in the United States.

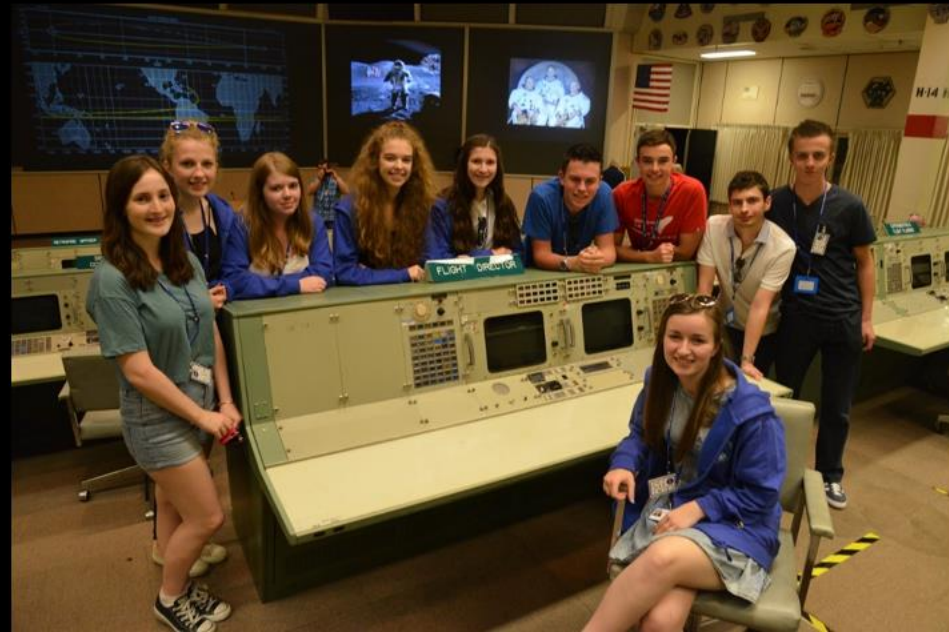
What Is Space School?

- This years Space School programme will take place at Strathclyde University from Monday 9 - Friday 13 June 2025.
- This is a non-residential week. Pupils should be able to make their own way there each day, to Strathclyde University Campus and take part in a series of workshops from 9am-5pm.
- The programme will provide attendees with an opportunity to take part in an eclectic mix of space-themed lectures, labs and workshops and to learn from some of the world's leading figures in space travel, including NASA astronauts and engineers.
- There are only 100 spaces available.



NASA – Johnson Space Centre Houston, Texas.

- For the best performing students at summer school there will be the added incentive of a 7-day study visit to NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas in October 2025.
- 8 pupils will be selected for this fantastic opportunity.



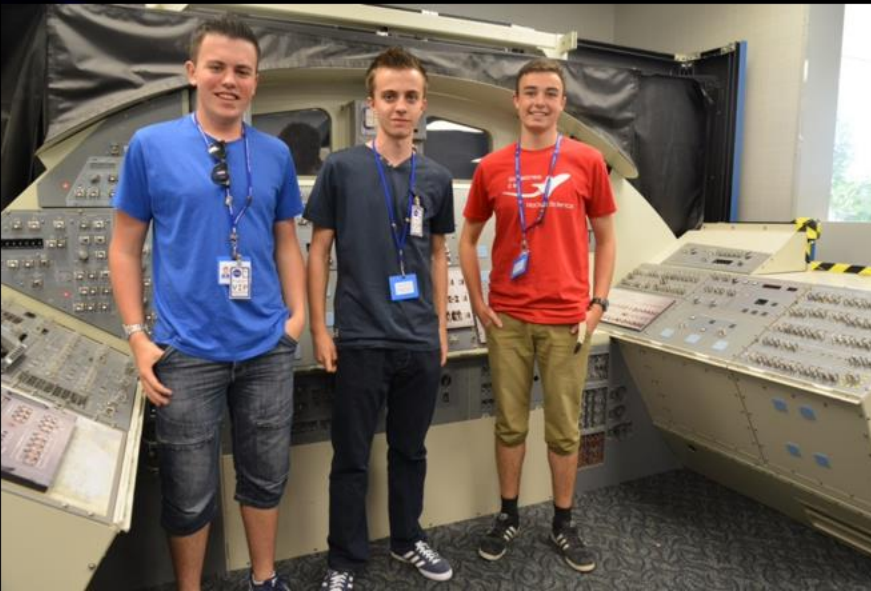
Former Pupils who went to Houston



Zoe Parker excelled at the Summer School and was successful at securing a place to go to Houston in October 2012.

In 2010, Rachael McAughtrie also went to Houston, Texas.

In 2014, Andrew Chapman was one of the lucky ones to go to Houston.



To Apply

- You must be in S5 in the current school session studying Maths and Science subjects at Higher level.
- You must also have an interest in potentially studying engineering after leaving school.
- If you are interested in applying for Space School 2025, please see Ms Bell (Biology, S023) for more information.
- The closing date for entries is Monday 17th March 2025.





S2 Cooking Project



A group of S2 pupils recently took part in a 4 week cooking project in Home Economics.

The pupils thoroughly enjoyed the chance to hone their cookery skills and it was a great chance to work with various staff from across East Ayrshire.

We hope to run another 4 week block for S2 pupils before the end of term so keep your eyes peeled for more exciting opportunities.

Have a look on the school app to see the recipes the pupils made!





Rolls-Royce Apprenticeship



Applications for Advanced Level 3 Apprenticeships are now **live**. These apprenticeships are a fantastic opportunity for students to learn on-the-job, gain valuable skills and begin their career journey at Rolls-Royce.

Level 3 apprenticeships require a minimum of 4 National 5s (or equivalent), including Maths, English Language, Science (excluding Biology) and one other subject, at grade A-C.

See the school app or scan the QR code for the link to apply, or speak to Mr Johnston for more details.

Applications close on March 28th, however please note that Rolls Royce reserve the right to close applications early depending on number of applicants.



FutureFest 2025

Thank you to all the stakeholders that attended this year's Futurefest. We had over 50 stalls and it was great to see so many pupils interested in finding out about future career, apprenticeship and higher education opportunities.

Remember to keep an eye on the bulletin and school app for more career/apprenticeship events.





Indoor Athletics

Congratulations to all our pupils who competed in the recent **Scottish Indoor Athletics** at the Emirates Arena in Glasgow.

The results show both a fantastic turnout from Grange pupils, as well as lots of very strong performances!

Well done everyone!





Booth Welsh Front Office Reception Vacancy

The role will be full time, Monday – Thursday 9am–5pm, & Friday 9am-4pm.

Required to support the main reception function but will also have additional responsibilities to support the wider business with administration duties.

Driving licence would be advantageous.

Some of daily tasks will include:

- Greet clients, visitors and employees arriving at reception and ensuring that they are dealt with promptly and professionally.
- Manage switchboard and reception
- Ensure that all calls coming into the switchboard are answered promptly, are introduced, and passed to the correct employee for assistance
- Maintain office security by following safety procedures and controlling access via the reception desk and issue visitor badges
- Assist with our in-house Café Zero coffee shop
- Arrange travel and accommodation
- Manage client areas and meeting rooms
- Organise catering and room setups for client and employee events
- Sort, prepare, and deliver packages as well as other correspondence
- Provide support service for employees
- Maintain stock levels of PPE and stationery

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Please send CV or Covering Letter to: michelle.keogh@boothwelsh.co.uk or speak to Mr Johnston for more information.



BSL Recap

Can you remember the sign from the last bulletin?



Move your fist in a circle on your chest
(make a sad face at the same time)



BSL Sign of the Week



With flat hands, put your fingertips on either side of your head.
Then move your hands forward and down until your fingertips are pointing forwards.



Have a great week, Grange.

Work hard.

Be kind.