



# HT's Report

## Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2017



### Staffing News:

- New teacher for Mandarin
- Science - update
- Technical – update
- PE- update
- PEF – additional staffing

### Timetable:

- New timetable begins on Mon 16<sup>th</sup> May – some follow up interviews required
- New ties - £1 off price of a blue tie if you return a red tie
- S3 Wider Achievement choices will be made this week.
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### S5/S6 Exams:

Update on exam support for S5:

Assemblies are still being used to motivate and focus pupils in the build-up to exams.

Tannoy messages used effectively to spot check pupils.

Regular class visits by DHT.

Each pupil was given a study pack containing the following:

- Copy of power points used as part of PSE delivery on Study Skills
- Three blank study planners (My Spring Holiday Study Planner, My Evening Study Planner & My SQA Study Planner.)
- Individual pupil subject card for pupils to note exam dates.
- Your Exams 2017 SQA information guide.
- Get your results by text or email: SQA information.
- Hillhead High School Exam Revision and Study Guide.
- Copy of 2017 SQA Examination Timetable.
- Copy of HHS Spring Break Revision Programme 2017.

Four week PSE study support programme:

1. Presentation on creating a study plan.
2. Presentation on being successful in exams.
3. Motivational presentation called “Reach for the Power”, delivered by Tree of Knowledge.

4. Optional Exam Stress Management & Mindfulness delivery by Educational Psychology. This will take place Wed and Thurs this week, approx. 30 pupils have signed up.

Motivational presentation was very well received and feedback from pupils very positive. Mr Neil is Meeting with Tree of Knowledge in May to discuss the possibility of input lower down the school as part of PSE delivery.

Spring break revision programme well attended.

95 pupils attended Maths camp.

PE holding their revision day in May and are currently piloting some work around metacognition that will be presented at upcoming PT's meeting.

Text messaging & Twitter to be used during exam leave to inform parents of exams. Letter will also be distributed to via pupils on Thursday of this week regarding exam arrangements etc.

## S6 Options

- Draft choice in March
- Options form issued again in June. S. Neil liaising with other schools, colleges, Glasgow Hub and Open University to provide more choices.
- Often additional changes in light of SQA results.

## Website Review

- Feedback collated. 44 responses from parents and pupils. 53 responses from staff.
- Work to begin during exam diet. Likely to use the Glow template

## Pupil Equity Funding

- Full consultation with all staff has taken place. Pupil Focus groups planned. Presentation prepared for parents.

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