



@strochsec_dde

DDE SUMMER NEWSLETTER!

STR
1928
ALIOS ADIUVA



DDE Leavers 2025

It is with a real heavy heart we say goodbye to another fantastic group of senior pupils. The last few months at St Roch's were spent remembering all of the good times we had with our seniors over the years, celebrating their achievements and looking forward to their new opportunities as they move on to the next chapter of their lives...and we had time to finish off all of the assessments and prepare for SQA exams too, of course!



S6 pupils attended the S6 graduation ceremony along with their families on Tuesday 10th June. All DDE leavers attended the DDE graduation on Friday 13th June where we shared memories of each leaver and watched a lovely presentation showing photos of all their achievements and fun over their time at St Rochs.



Some of our S6 pupils also attended Prom on June 6th. It was a lovely night and everyone really enjoyed themselves. Thanks again to Mrs McCabe for all her organisation.

S1 Stirling Castle Trip

S1 pupils are currently studying the Scottish Wars of Independence with Ms Starrs in Social Subjects and they had the fantastic opportunity to visit Stirling Castle. It was a beautiful day to tour the centuries old castle and learn even more about Scottish heritage and history.

Did you know Mary Queen of Scots was crowned at Stirling Castle at just 9 months old?!



S1 Mexican IDL

S1 pupils have really been enjoying their IDL classes in health & food technology. They have been looking at traditional and modern Mexican cooking inspired by Frieda Kahlo's famous paintings. Here they are making some Mexican pizzas.



DEAF FOOTBALL 2025

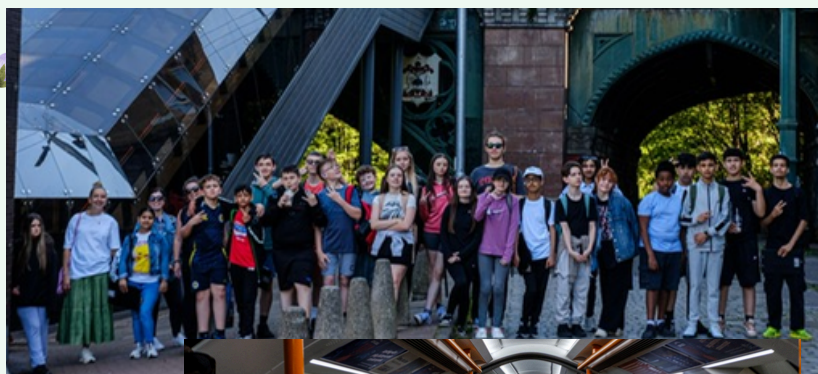
On 16th June Deaf pupils from across Central Scotland gathered together for the annual Secondary school's football tournament. St Roch's A team won 3rd place and Melissa won player of the day! Well Done!



S1 - S3 NATURE WALK FOR LITERACY

On 16th May S1-S3 pupils went on an excursion to the Kelvin Walkway and Botanic Gardens to participate in a nature walk. Led by Mr Dow and Ms MacQuarrie, pupils looked at the nature and beautiful surroundings to inspire poetry, photography and creative writing as part of their literacy curriculum within the DDE.

The weather was on their side too!



Photograph showing Teegan's degree show "The Spring Awakening" which was performed throughout May in the Tron Theatre in Glasgow.

PREVIOUS PUPIL UPDATE

Many of you will remember our ex pupil Teegan. Teegan is graduating from the RCS the summer. She is the first pupil from the DDE to go on and study here - the course was BA Acting in BSL.

Teegan had a passion for drama since S1 and followed this passion all the way through secondary school. Teegan studied drama every year throughout secondary school and took up many drama opportunities out with school to allow her prepare to study this subject at degree level. Teegan left school at the end of S4 to take up one of only a few very sought after places on this degree course. A fantastic achievement and we wish her every success in her future after graduation!



PUPIL VOICE EVENT

On 6th May three of our S3 pupils were invited by GCC Pupil Forum to facilitate at the Primary Forum. Pupils worked with children from primary schools across Glasgow. Our S3 pupils listened to and recorded views of young people, supporting them to share they understanding with the wider group. Pupils had a lovely day and were very good at helping the primary children.

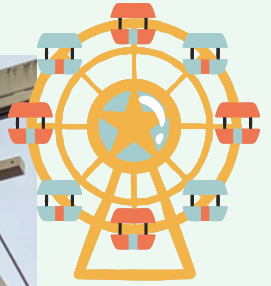




ROME HOUSE TRIP TO M&D'S THEME PARK

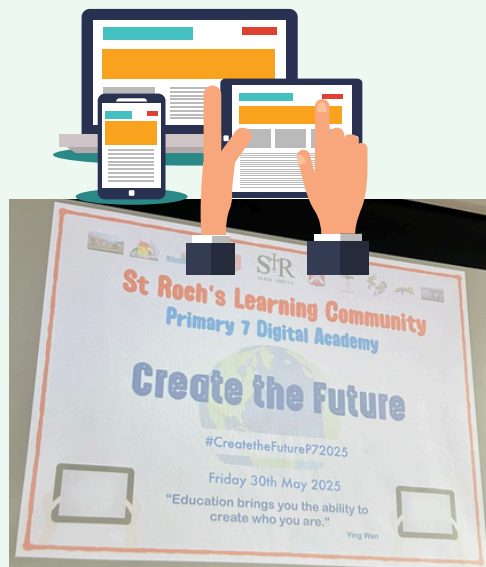
On 29th May, S1-S3 pupils in Rome house got to enjoy a trip as a reward for being the first winners of the school house rewards system. Some of our DDE pupils also got to attend 'hot chocolate with the Head Teacher' as a special reward to those pupils not in Rome house who had been awarded a large number of house points.

This was the first year of the house points system and we are so proud of how hard the pupils worked to show the three 'Rs' Ready, Respectful and Responsible.



PRIMARY 7 DIGITAL ACADEMY

On 39th May two of our S2 pupils, along with some mainstream peers, went to St Martin's Primary School to participate in a St Roch's Learning Community Digital Academy. Pupils loved helping future S1 peers and many friendships were made!



= SUMMER =

Dates for the Diary

We finish for summer break on **Wednesday 25th June at 1.00pm**

School re-opens on **Thursday 14th August** for all pupils.

Have a lovely, relaxing summer break and we look forward to welcoming you all back in August.

