

Supporting our S4-S6 learners:

Plans will be shared with our young people about our next round of study cafes, Saturday sessions and supported study. This will be posted on Teams.

Options

Thank you to all parents and carers who joined our online information meetings – we hope that they were useful and informative.

In addition, My World of Work (developed by SDS) is a useful tool that you can use at home too <https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/my-career-options>

Forms and additional information has been shared with young people and families.

Once parents / carers have all this information, if they have any questions about the process or more specifically about their child's options, they should contact their child's Pastoral Care Teacher.

House update

Pupil Leadership

We have launched our first Shawlands Pupil Voice Forum. This is led by our school captains, and is fed into by our house captains, values ambassadors and other pupil groups. The first task they are undertaking is speaking to PSE classes and gathering views about how we can communicate better throughout the school and we are also working on a new motto, which our young people are offering suggestions for.

Primary / Secondary Transition

P7 students from all our associate primaries will be visiting Shawlands Academy for 3 full days in total: 2 days in May and 1 in June.

At our Inservice day last week, English, Maths and Science staff worked with Primary colleagues to moderate work. This is an important part of the transition process and something that we are building on to help more meaningful curricular transitions.

We are also working very closely with our families in Govanhill. Two members of staff are working with Community Services in the Govanhill area once a week to build relationships with our families in Annette Street and Cuthbertson Primaries.

Successes

We are delighted to share that we were very successful in the recent Modern Languages awards. Young people and staff were awarded for the wonderful work that is taking place, including Language Diversity, Language Ambassador of the Year, Family Learning and the Celebration of other Languages. I am sure you will join me in congratulating them.

Industrial Action:

We will continue to keep our families updated regarding industrial action. We have contacted the SQA regarding the impact the targeted strikes will have on our young people and I ask that you do

the same. We are in the process of re-negotiating our working time agreement to facilitate a change of date for the S3 parents and carers meeting. More information will follow.

Thank you for your time tonight and for your continued support.

Pauline Carr

Head Teacher

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