



Parent/Carer Update 22 August 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

This is the first update of session 2025-2026.

Our new S1s have made an excellent start and should be very proud of how they have settled in. They have joined us for breakfast and have made a positive start each day.

Our SQA results were very strong in a number of areas and above local and national averages, particularly in S6.

We accomplished a great deal last session, and our school community has a lot to be proud of. I shall issue our Standards and Quality Report and School Improvement Plan in the next update. Thanks to those parents/carers who shared their views last term. These have been incorporated into our plans.

Dates for the Diary

Save the date

Tuesday 2 Sept – Scottish Chamber Orchestra Concert, Easterbrook Hall

Friday 5 September – Extra-Curricular Fair

Wednesday 10 September - P6/7 Information Evening

Staffing

We have a number of new staff who have joined us this week:

Mrs Murray – Physics/Science

Miss Anderson – History/Social Subjects

Mx Barthram – Art and Design

Mrs Rooney – Broad General Education

Mrs Roberston – Admin/Support

We are delighted to welcome them to our team.

Reminder - Change to School Day

The new school day is now in place.

Please note that it is imperative that pupils turn up on time for school, as lessons begin at 8.50 AM. Tutor Time now takes place later in the day. Please see structure of school day below. **Being 5 minutes late to school every day equates to 3 days of lost learning per year!**



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Period 1	8.50 am - 9.35 am
Period 2	9.35 am - 10.20 am
Check In (Tutor time/PSE/Learning)	10.20 am - 10.35 am
Break	10.35 am - 10.50 am
Period 3	10.50 am - 11.35 am
Period 4	11.35 am - 12.20 pm
Period 5	12.20 pm - 1.05 pm
Lunch	1.05 pm - 1.50 pm
Period 6	1.50 pm - 2.35 pm
Period 7	2.35 pm - 3.20 pm

Parents Evenings/Pupil Reports

Please see provisional dates for next session:

Year Group	Parents Evening	Reports
S1	29 October – Meet the Teacher 23 April – Tutors	18 September (Tracking), 9 March (Tracking), 21 April (Full)
S2	26 February – Subject Teachers	18 September (Tracking), 13 November (Tracking), 23 February (Full)
S3	10 December – Subject Teachers	18 September (Tracking), 3 December (Full)
S4	14 January - Subject Teachers	2 October (Tracking), 8 January (Tracking), 25 March (Tracking)
S5	10 February – Subject Teachers	2 October (Tracking), 6 February (Tracking), 25 March (Tracking)
S6	10 February – Subject Teachers	2 October (Tracking), 6 February (Tracking), 25 March (Tracking)

Social Areas

Social Areas for pupils from August are as follows:

S1 – Café (indoor), rear of school (outdoor)

S2 – Café (indoor), front of link corridor (outdoor), town centre for **lunch time only**

S3 – Main Hall (indoor), front of main building (outdoor), town centre for **lunch time only**

S4 – Main Hall (indoor), front of main building (outdoor)

S5 – Minerva (indoor), front of Minerva (outdoor)

S6 – Minerva (indoor), front of Minerva (outdoor)

***Please note S1-3 pupils are not allowed off site at morning break; S4-6 pupils are allowed off site for break and lunch**

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