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Dear Parent / Carer

### **\*\*Senior Phase Supported Study\*\***

Our Supported Study programme will be starting next week and running until December. Staff and departments are offering a huge number of sessions and the full timetable will be issued via pupil glow emails. This will also be available to view on the school website from early next week. We would encourage all S4 – S6 to take up the offer of supported study as we work towards the December assessments. If you would like further information, please feel free to contact Mr Higgins.



### **\*\*Mid-morning snack\*\***



We are delighted that all pupils eligible for free school meals will be offered a [mid-morning snack](#) (including a hot roll with vegan options) at interval, starting on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October. Please encourage your child to take advantage of this service. If you think you may be eligible for free meals, please [contact Mr Clelland](#) at the school. Please also see the information below on financial support for families or see the [financial support section](#) on our website.

### **\*\*Financial Support for Families\*\***

A reminder to all families in the school community, particularly to those of you who have pupils in our new S1, we have a dedicated financial support worker, **Sharon Graham**, who can help with all sorts of money-related matters including applying for Free School Meals, EMA and general support with financial advice including benefit support and applications for Universal Credit. Sharon has worked with lots of families already and has had huge successes in assisting parents/ carers and young people. If you are worried about money or debt, Sharon can also provide debt advice. This service is confidential and you can contact Sharon directly by calling 0141 773 5850 or emailing [GlasgowSchools@gemap.co.uk](mailto:GlasgowSchools@gemap.co.uk)



## **\*\*Family Support Sessions\*\***

We have two up-and-coming parent support events open to all:

- **Wonder of Wellbeing, Thursday 14th October, 2021, 6pm-8pm**

This class will help you understand what wellbeing is and learn strategies to improve and maintain your personal wellbeing. To book a place for this event please complete the form here: <https://forms.office.com/r/ueGJ59m5WV>

- **iPad help session for Parents/ Carers (date TBC)**

Practical support session to help parents and carers understand their child's iPad and its capabilities. Support access emails/ Teams/ Showbie. A must for anyone unsure of new tech! To book a place for this event please complete the form here: <https://forms.office.com/r/L9vC4fXLJv>

## **\*\*Education on Relationships, Sexual Health & Parenthood\*\***



Our Pastoral Care team will be teaching lessons about *Relationships, Sexual Health & Parenthood* in PSE this term across all year groups. There is information for parents and carers at <https://rshp.scot/wp-content/uploads/2019/07/Learning-at-Home-Third-and-Fourth-Level-information-for-parents-and-carers.pdf> (the letter can be found in a variety of different languages on the RSHP website). Parents and carers may find this helpful as an overview of what their children are learning, but also in general terms it is a useful resource for parents and carers who may wish to discuss these issues with their children. Parents and

carers are more than welcome to contact their child's Pastoral Care teacher (see below) to discuss any of the information on the website.

House	Pastoral Care Teacher	Email address
Barra	Mrs Cawley	<a href="mailto:gw10broganevelyn@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk">gw10broganevelyn@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk</a>
Harris	Miss Rankine	<a href="mailto:gw19rankineheather@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk">gw19rankineheather@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk</a>
Iona	Mr Sherry	<a href="mailto:gw17sherrybrian@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk">gw17sherrybrian@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk</a>
Lewis	Mr Simpson	<a href="mailto:gw15simpsonneil@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk">gw15simpsonneil@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk</a>
Skye	Mrs Hanley	<a href="mailto:gw10hanleyfrances@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk">gw10hanleyfrances@glow.ea.glasgow.sch.uk</a>

## **\*\*Rosshall Breakfast Club\*\***



All pupils (S1-S6) are welcome to join us at Breakfast Club. There is a range of hot and cold food as well as the opportunity to listen to music, chat with friends and prepare for the day ahead. The club takes place every day from 8am in the Conference Room starting.

For more information, please contact [Mrs Hamilton](#). We look forward to seeing you there!

## **\*\*Flu Vaccine\*\***

NHS Scotland recommends that you get your flu vaccine this year. This is for three reasons:

1. Flu can be serious, even for healthy people.
2. To reduce the risk of spreading flu to friends and family.
3. To help prevent the flu virus putting extra strain on our NHS services this winter.



Our Flu Vaccine programme will take place in school for all young people and staff on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December and Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Consent forms have been given to everyone this week. Completed forms should be returned and handed in to our school office.

Further information about the vaccine can be found [here](#).

## **\*\*Scottish Government Guidance: Face Coverings\*\***



Please see [this link to the latest Scottish Government guidance](#) and note that **the wearing of face coverings will now continue until at least the October break**. We are looking for your support to ensure every young person arrives at school with a face mask and a spare. To date, we have given out over 2000 masks since the start of term. While we appreciate that we can all forget on occasion, we find ourselves repeatedly giving masks to many young people

every day. Thank you very much for your cooperation. On a positive note, once pupils are in the school building, they have been exceptionally good at following the guidelines to keep each other safe. We will continue to inform you if guidance changes.


## **\*\*Lateral Flow Testing\*\***


All young people are encouraged to do a **Lateral Flow Test twice a week**. Your child may collect tests from the school office at any time. Children under 16 are required to have their [consent form](#) signed by a parent or carer. Please encourage your child to do this regularly and record their results online.




## **\*\*Clubs and Activities\*\***

Thank you to all of our young people who have participated in clubs and activities and to all staff who run these. The uptake has been excellent. More clubs have been added since my last update. Please see what's on offer below and encourage your child to get involved as much as possible.

Monday 			
Year Group	Club	Time	Location
<b>S2/ S3</b>	Drama Club	12.30	Gf01
<b>S1-6</b>	Touch Rugby	After school	PE Dept
<b>S1-3</b>	Netball	Lunchtime	PE Dept
<b>S1-3</b>	LGBTQ+ and Allies	Lunchtime	Gf70
<b>S1</b>	Games Design	Lunchtime	Sf25
<b>S1 – S3</b>	Creative Writing club	Lunchtime	Gf64
<b>S4-6</b>	Violin	1.10pm	FF49
<b>S4-6</b>	Singing group	Lunchtime	FF47

Tuesday 			
Year Group	Club	Time	Location
<b>All year groups</b>	Wind Ensemble	12.20	Ff49
<b>S1 – S3</b>	Ukulele	12.40	Ff48
<b>S1-3</b>	Dodgeball	Lunchtime	PE Dept
<b>All year groups</b>	Badminton	Afterschool	PE Dept
<b>S1-3</b>	Violin	12.30	FF47

Wednesday 			
Year Group	Club	Time	Location
<b>S1 – S3</b>	Rock Band	12.50	FF49
<b>S1-3</b>	Singing Group	12.45	FF47
<b>S1 – S3</b>	Dance Club	After school	Gym
<b>S2</b>	Football	Lunchtime	PE Dept
<b>S1-3</b>	Basketball	Lunchtime	PE Dept
<b>All year groups</b>	Netball	After school	PE Dept
<b>S1</b>	Football	After school	PE Dept
<b>S1-3</b>	'Lingo Lab'	Lunchtime	Sf28
<b>S1-3</b>	Bead/ Jewellery club	Lunchtime	Ff14
<b>S4-6</b>	Dungeons and Dragons	After school	GF66

Thursday 			
Year Group	Club	Time	Location
<b>S4 – S6</b>	Violin Club	12	Ff47
<b>S1 – S3</b>	Singing Group	12.45	Ff48

<b>S1 – S3</b>	Guitar Group	12.50	Ff47
<b>S1 – S3</b>	Violin Group	Afterschool	Ff47
<b>S1-3</b>	Intercultural club	Lunchtime	FF64
<b>S1/ S2</b>	Book Club	Lunchtime	Gf64
<b>S1-3</b>	Fitness	Lunchtime	PE Dept
<b>S1-6</b>	Gymnastics	After school	PE Dept
<b>S1-3</b>	Dungeons and Dragons	After school	Gf66
<b>S1-6 (both lunchtimes)</b>	Portuguese Club	Lunchtime	Sf28
<b>S4 – S6</b>	<b>Rock Band</b>	<b>After School</b>	<b>Ff49</b>
<b>S1-6</b>	Elf Dance rehearsals	3.10pm	Dance studio
<b>S4-6</b>	Debates Club	Lunchtime	FF62

Friday    			
Year Group	Club	Time	Location
<b>S1</b>	Drama Club	12.30 (starts 10 <sup>th</sup> September)	Dance Studio
<b>All year groups</b>	Orchestra	After school (starts 10 <sup>th</sup> September)	Ff47
<b>S1-3</b>	Staff vs Pupils	Lunchtime	PE Dept
<b>S1-3</b>	'Culture Vultures' (Film/ Music Club)	Lunchtime	Sf29
<b>S1-3</b>	<b>School Magazine</b>	<b>Lunchtime</b>	<b>Gf66</b>
<b>S1-6</b>	Elf singing rehearsals	12.30pm	FF48

### **\*\*Parent Forum\*\***

If you would like to become involved in the parent council, please contact Rosshall Academy parent council [here](#). All parent council minutes can be accessed on our website by clicking [here](#). Please also follow our parent council on Twitter [@RosshallIPC](#) Our next parent council meeting will be held on **Wednesday 6 October 2021 at 7pm** on Zoom. Please [contact the parent council](#) for a link to this meeting.

As always, if you have any queries or concerns about your child's learning or wellbeing, please do not hesitate to phone the school on 0141 582 0200, email your child's Pastoral Care teacher, or contact me on: [Headteacher@rosshallacademy.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:Headteacher@rosshallacademy.glasgow.sch.uk)

I wish you and your family a lovely weekend. A reminder that school closes to pupils next Thursday 7 May at 3.05pm for the October holiday break and reopens for the new term on Monday 18 October.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Mitchell'.

Alison Mitchell  
Head Teacher