



**PORT GLASGOW
HIGH SCHOOL**
SUCCESS FOR ALL

PGHS Weekly News

Friday 22 November 2024



This week at Port Glasgow High School



Congratulations to our Port Glasgow High School Community!

As you will be aware, last week our school community underwent the Peer Review process. The outcome was very positive for our school and recognised the hard work that all members of our school community do from our pupils to our teaching and non-teaching staff in making Port Glasgow High School a place where we aim for success for all. We would like to thank you for taking the time to complete the parent questionnaire and to those parents who met with the peer review team as part of a focus group. The Peer Review Team were high in their praise of our young people in how they dress for school, their conduct and how they are able to talk about their school experience.

The Peer Review Team validated us as the following:

Leadership of Change	Very Good
Learning, Teaching and Assessment	Good
Ensuring Wellbeing, Equality and Inclusion	Good
Raising Attainment and Achievement	Good

Well done PGHS U18 Boys Football Team!

A fantastic win for the boys on Thursday afternoon against St Columbas A U18! The boy's effort (in the snow storm) was excellent and coming back from 2-0 down demonstrated brilliant resilience against a good team. The final score was 4-3. Well done boys! The winning team are listed below:

Jack H	Cameron S	Aidan G	Calum McL	Ben H
Logan P	Kieran B 1 goal	Leo G	Craig L 1 goal	Calum McB
Gary G 2 goals	Latyon C	Sam Mcl		



CAN YOU BE AN EXAM INVIGILATOR WITH US IN 2025?

We are looking to add to our current team of SQA Exam Invigilators for the exam diet in 2025.



Exam Invigilators are a key support and essential to the success of an exam diet. They are paid directly by SQA, and training will be given at PGHS.

Exam Invigilators are not necessarily required full time during the exam diet - we have busy days and quieter days, and our team work on a rota basis that is planned out well in advance.

Invigilators monitor the exam hall and support candidates with following exam guidelines.

They may count papers, lay out and collect in exam papers, and support candidates who are out with the Main Exam Hall in smaller groups.

Our candidates always get to recognise our exam invigilators and value their support! If you think you can offer your support - please get in touch!

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I will be happy to give you more details and we will begin some short training sessions after the December break in school. The exam diet runs from 28th April to 2nd June 2025.

The full exam diet can be seen here:

https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/files_ccc/nq-2025-exam-timetable.pdf



Prelims S4-6

Please encourage your child to study and revise for prelims. Study resources are available in school at my office. Prelim timetables are included in this newsletter. Prelim timetables were available for pupils to pick up at school.

Ms Welsh

Supported Study

Please also encourage your child to attend Supported Study sessions up until 6 December. These will help support their study towards prelims and their final SQA exams next year.

Our S4 are attending well so far - S5 only a little more improvement needed - Please encourage S6s to attend study!

Craft Club

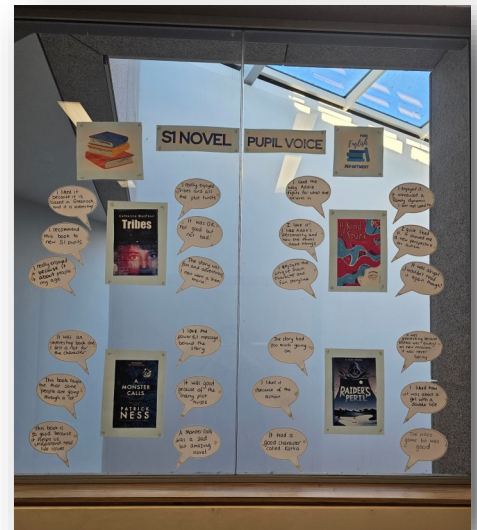
Christmas Craft Club is well underway and some beautiful projects are being created. Well done to Eilidh S3 who has already finished this wonderful embroidery.



Subject Departments Updates this week

English

The reviews are in! S1 pupils have given us feedback on their class novels. Check out the display in the English corridor to see the recommendations.



Music

Emily H won the Rotary Young Musician of the Year last night in the Beacon Theatre playing four mallet marimba pieces and is through to the district finals. Cameron also did us proud and won third place in the singing category. Well done!

Port Glasgow High School MUSIC DEPARTMENT		
	LUNCH	AFTER SCHOOL
MONDAY	Advanced Higher Supported Study Music Theory	Wind Band
TUESDAY	BGE & SQA Performing Support	Inverclyde Strings Inverclyde Wind Orchestra Ukulele Group
WEDNESDAY	VOISS Strings Group	School Show Jazz Band
THURSDAY	Folk Band Percussion Ensemble	Junior Orchestra Percussion Ensemble SQA Performing Support
FRIDAY	Soul Band SQA Composition Support	



Prelims Timetable

Day	Date	Year Group, Level, Subject, Paper	Time	Location
MONDAY	02-Dec			
		Higher English Paper 1	9 – 1030am	Assembly Hall
		Higher English Paper 2	11am - 12.30pm	Assembly Hall
		S5/6 National 5 English Paper 1	9am – 10am	Assembly Hall
		S5/6 National 5 English Paper 2	11am – 1230pm	Assembly Hall
		Higher Business Management	9am – 1115am	Assembly Hall
TUESDAY	03-Dec			
		S4 National 5 English Paper 1	9am -10am	Assembly Hall
		S4 National 5 English Paper 2	11am – 1230pm	
		S4 National 5 ESOL Reading	9am – 10am	
		S4 National 5 ESOL Writing	10.30am – 11.30am	
		Higher French Listening	205pm – 235pm	Modern Langs Dept
		NPA Business & ICT Assessment	2.05pm – 3.45pm	ICT Classroom
		Higher Administration Practical Assessment	115pm – 345pm	F094
		S4 National 5 ESOL Listening	1.15pm – 1.50pm	SfL Classroom TBC

Day	Date	Year Group, Level, Subject, Paper	Time	Location
WED	04-Dec			
		Higher Geography Paper 1	9am – 1025am	Assembly Hall
		Higher Geography Paper 2	11am – 1150am	Assembly Hall
		S5/6 National 5 Geography	9am – 1030pm	Assembly Hall
		Higher History Paper 1	9am- 1030am	Assembly Hall
		Higher History Paper 2	11am – 1230pm	Assembly Hall
		Higher Modern Studies Paper 1	9am – 1040am	Assembly Hall
		Higher Modern Studies Paper 2	11am – 1150am	Assembly Hall
		S5/6 National 5 Modern Studies	9am – 1040am	Assembly Hall
		Advanced Higher Chemistry	9am – 12pm	Assembly Hall
		S5/6 National 5 Personal Finance	9am – 1040am	ICT Suite
		S4 National 5 French	9 – 1015am	Assembly Hall
		S5/6 National 5 Spanish Listening	915 – 945am	Modern Langs Dept
		Higher Spanish Reading	9am – 1045am	Assembly Hall
		Advanced Higher English Paper 1	9am – 1030am	Assembly Hall
		Advanced Higher English Paper 2	11am – 1230pm	Assembly Hall
		S4 National 5 Chemistry	1pm – 3pm	Assembly Hall
		S4 National 5 Drama	1pm – 230pm	Assembly Hall
		S4 National 5 Design & Manufacture	1pm – 245pm	Assembly Hall
		S4 National 5 Practical Woodwork	1pm – 2pm	Assembly Hall
		S4 National 5 French Listening	1.30pm – 2pm	Modern Langs Dept
		S56 National 5 Spanish Reading	1pm – 2.15pm	Assembly Hall
		Higher Spanish Listening	2.15pm – 2.45pm	Modern Langs Dept



Prelims Timetable (Continued)

Day	Date	Year Group, Level, Subject, Paper	Time	Location
THU	05-Dec			
		Higher Music Listening	9am – 10am	Music Dept
		Advanced Higher Music Listening	9am – 10am	Music Dept
		National 5 Music Listening	11am – 12pm	Music Dept
		Advanced Higher Music Performing	10.30am – 3pm	Music Dept
		NPA Business & ICT Unit Assessment	1.15pm – 3pm	ICT Class
		S4 National 5 Admin Practical Task	1.15pm – 3pm	ICT F087

Day	Date	Year Group, Level, Subject, Paper	Time	Location
Friday	06-Dec			
		S4 National 5 Maths Paper 1	9am – 9.50am	
		S4 National 5 Maths Paper 2	10.10am – 11.10am	
		Advanced Higher Maths	9am – 11am	
		Higher Maths Paper 1	11.30am – 12.25pm	
		Higher Maths Paper 2	1.15pm – 2.15pm	
		S5/6 National 5 Maths Paper 1	11.30am – 12.10pm	
		S5/6 National 5 Maths Paper 2	1.15pm – 2.15pm	
		S4 National 5 Admin Practical Task 2	1.15pm – 3pm	ICT F087

Day	Date	Year Group, Level, Subject, Paper	Time	Location
MONDAY	09-Dec			
		Higher Music Performance	9.50am – 11.45am	Music Dept
		Higher Drama	9am – 11.30am	Assembly Hall
		Higher Physics Paper 1	9am – 9.30am	Assembly Hall
		Higher Physics Paper 2	10am – 11am	Assembly Hall
		S5/6 National 5 Physics	9am – 11am	Assembly Hall
		Higher Human Biology Paper 1	9am – 9.30am	Assembly Hall
		Higher Human Biology Paper 2	10am – 11.35am	Assembly Hall
		S5/6 National 5 Biology	9am – 11am	Assembly Hall
		S4 National 5 Geography	1.15pm – 2.45pm	Assembly Hall
		S4 National 5 Modern Studies	1.15pm – 2.55pm	Assembly Hall
		S4 National 5 History	1.15pm – 2.55pm	Assembly Hall
		S4 National 5 Spanish Reading	1.15pm – 2.30pm	Assembly Hall
		S4 National 5 Spanish Listening	2.30pm – 3pm	Modern Langs Dept



Prelims Timetable (Continued)

Day	Date	Year Group, Level, Subject, Paper	Time	Location
TUES	10-Dec			
		Higher Administration Theory	9am – 10.30am	Assembly Hall
		S5/6 National 5 French Reading	9am – 10.15am	Assembly Hall
		Higher French Reading	9am – 10.45am	Assembly Hall
		Higher Design & Manufacture	9am – 11.15am	Assembly Hall
		S56 National 5 French Listening	2.05pm – 2.35pm	Modern Langs Dept
		S4 National 5 Physics		Assembly Hall
WED	11-Dec			
		National 5 Music Performance (see Dept for your exam time)	9am – 3pm	Music Dept
		S56 National 5 Chemistry	9am – 11am	Assembly Hall

Day	Date	Year Group, Level, Subject, Paper	Time	Location
THU	12-Dec			
		Higher Chemistry Paper 1	9am – 9.50am	Assembly Hall
		Higher Chemistry Paper 2	11am – 12.35pm	Assembly Hall
		Higher PE Theory	9am – 11.30am	Assembly Hall
		Higher Computing	9am – 11am	Assembly Hall
		S456 National 5 Computing	9am – 10.30am	Assembly Hall
		S456 National 5 Graphic Communication	9am – 10.30am	Assembly Hall
		Higher Graphic Communication	9am – 11am	Assembly Hall
		Higher Music Performances (See dept for your exam time)	9am – 11am	Music Dept
		S4 National 5 Admin Theory	1.15pm – 2.15pm	Assembly Hall
		S456 National 5 PE Theory	1.15pm – 2.05pm	Assembly Hall
		Higher & Advanced Higher Music Performances	11.45am – 3pm	Music Dept

Day	Date	Year Group, Level, Subject, Paper	Time	Location
FRI	13-Dec			
		S4 National 5 Biology	9am – 11am	Assembly Hall
		S5/6 Health Sector	9am – 9.45am	Classroom tbc
		Music Performances Extra time (see Music Dept for your exam time)	11.45 – 3pm	Music Dept



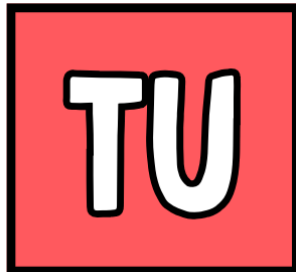
Supported study - Week 5: 25 November - 29 November 2024

Day	STUDY WEEK 5- Please note days allocated to specific year groups in each subject		
Monday	<u>S4</u> ENGLISH	<u>S5/6</u> HUMANITIES	<u>S5/6</u> DRAMA
Tuesday			
Wednesday	<u>S5/6</u> TECHNOLOGIES	<u>S4</u> PE	<u>S5/6</u> BUSINESS ED & COMPUTING
Thursday	<u>S4</u> MATHS	<u>S5/6</u> SCIENCES	<u>S4</u> MUSIC
Friday	ART <u>All levels</u>		

Lunchtime and After School Clubs

Lunchtime - Games Club with Mr O'Donnell S040

After school - Dance, Futsal club, basketball



Lunchtime - SI Coding Club with Dr Chen F086

Lunchtime - Games Club with Mr O'Donnell S040

After school - Fitness, Girls football



Lunchtime - Craft club with Mrs Barclay S039

Lunchtime - Games Club with Mr O'Donnell S040

After school- Football, Badminton



Lunchtime - S2 Coding Club with Dr Chen F086

Lunchtime - Games Club with Mr O'Donnell S040

After school - Netball

The PGHS Junior Orchestra with Miss Ballantyne





Senior Pupil Leadership Team

2024-2025

School Captains



Anna D



Aimee H



Stacy R



Jack K

House Captains

KINGSTON

Emma B & Lana H

LITHGOW

Emily H & Emma W

GLEN

Emma McL & Connie M

FERGUSON

Ava O & James K



S6 Ambassadors

Mental Health

Devon W

Health & Wellbeing

Cara McM



S6 Lead Prefects

Sam McG

Logan V



2024-2025 School Calendar

August 2024						
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April 2025						
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May 2025						
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June 2025						
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July 2025						
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-  School Closed/ Holidays
-  Teacher in-Service Day (no school for students)
-  School Open



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