

## Greenfaulds High School Summer Newsletter 2016



I can't believe that I have reached the end of my first year as Head Teacher in Greenfaulds High School! The session has flown past, particularly as we have the move to our new building firmly in our sight for early in the new term. The move of some 1300 pupils, 130 staff and countless boxes is a complex event, and when the final date for the move is agreed in August, parents and families will be informed. At that time, the authority will apply to Scottish Government for a 3 day special closure for pupils, to allow for the

relocation of staff and resources into the new building. Having first-hand experience of relocating to a brand new build, I am confident that the impact the new environment will have on learning and teaching will only help our community continue to make great progress.

It has been a very busy session for us and the SQA exam diet has just finished. Pupils will have to wait until 9 August for results to be published. Hopefully the effort, drive and sheer hard work of pupils and staff will have paid off and we will continue to see high levels of attainment in the school. We have seen a steady improvement in our Positive Destinations – a measure of where pupils go when they leave school. The number of pupils leaving school to go into further and higher education, training or employment is above the national and local authority averages, and we must thank the Pupil Support team and our school careers advisor for the support offered to our young people to make sure that they find routes from school which match their interest levels and aptitude.

It has been a busy term with the opportunity for pupils to participate in a wide range of events and enjoy an opportunity to celebrate in success.

I would like to wish all pupils and staff a very relaxed and well-deserved summer break and look forward to welcoming everyone back in August!

## **Awards Ceremony**

Our Senior School annual awards ceremony took place on Wednesday 15th June, with the Junior school awards ceremony following on Friday 17th June. Both events were a celebration of many of the achievements of our young people, and were well supported by parents and friends. In addition, our S6 graduation ceremony was held on Thursday 16 June, with a swift exit to change for the Senior Prom in the evening. This year's venue was Glasgow Hilton Hotel and the event was enjoyed by approximately 200 S6 pupils and staff.

## **School Website/Twitter Account**

Our new look website has just been launched, hopefully providing a platform for sharing relevant, up-to-date information with parents and the wider community. Our Twitter account is growing from strength to strength with new followers coming on board each week, and it is gratifying to see the number of departments which provide departmental tweets about life in a busy school. A huge thanks must go to Mr. Harris and Mr. Bowie, DHTs for administering the sites. These can be found at

Website: <https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/nl/ghshome/>

Twitter: [https://twitter.com/greenfaulds\\_hs](https://twitter.com/greenfaulds_hs)

## **Greenfaulds Heads West!**

On 17 June, 35 senior pupils and 4 staff headed to California for the trip of a lifetime. Primarily a geography field study, the tour delivered the whole range of Western USA landscape, with visits to San Francisco, Yosemite National Park, Death Valley, Las Vegas and Los Angeles. Bleary-eyed and jetlagged on their return to school on Monday 27 June, the trip was reported a resounding success, with plans to repeat again in June 2018. A huge thanks must be extended to Miss Kelly for organising the trip, and to accompanying staff and pupils for ensuring it was a resounding success!

Over 50 of our younger pupils are currently enjoying a European trip looking at aspects of the European Parliament. If ever there was a time in history when pupils will be able to look back and say – 'I was there when.....', then this Modern Studies trip hits the spot! Daily tweets from Mr Scoular and his staff keep us all up to date about the sites visited and the fun the pupils are having, and we look forward to their safe return at the weekend.

## **Summer Transition Programme**

Once again Greenfaulds will be offering a summer programme for pupils from our primary cluster, targeted at supporting pupils to make the transition from primary to secondary. As ever, a varied and fun time is ahead for all involved. Further details can be obtained by contacting Mrs McLoughlin at the school. Summer school will take place in the first week of August.

## **School Uniform**

I must extend a huge thanks to parents/guardians for the overwhelming support in the introduction of formal school uniform. Over 1000 pupils have now purchased the school blazer, with many choosing to wear them immediately. The uniform nights organised in school were a huge success and it was very gratifying to hear first-hand from pupils and parents that the move to uniform has been well received. Another uniform date on 2 August from 1-3pm has been arranged (and also a collection date of 11 August from 10-11 am) for those pupils still to purchase. Applications for clothing grants can be made at any North Lanarkshire OneStop Shop if applicable.

## **Dates for your diary**

SQA Results published	Tuesday 9 August 2016
School Resumes (staff)	Monday 15 August 2016
School Resumes (pupils)	Wednesday 17 August 2016

Please note that the school office is staffed throughout the holiday period should you have any enquiries.



# Friends Of Greenfaulds



The Parent Council invites local businesses to advertise their products and services on our Friends of Greenfaulds website for a small annual fee of £50. This Parent Council initiative is to help raise funds to support the numerous programmes of work and extracurricular activities that pupils of Greenfaulds High school currently participate in.

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