



Taylor High School

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School Newsletter

Dear Parent/Carer/Student,

It was lovely to welcome back all our staff and pupils after a well earned Easter Holiday. It was great to see our pupils back in their blazers and uniform; thank you to all parents/carers for supporting our pupils to return to their normal high standard of uniform!

SQA Examinations



It has been a busy week for all our Senior Phase students as they prepared to go off on Study Leave. All S4/5 pupils are now on Study Leave to aid their exam preparation. Every SQA Candidate should now have their personalised exam timetable which they have double-checked, and they should know exactly what exams they are doing and when these will take place. If any pupil, parent or carer has any queries about this, please call the office or contact Mr McQuaid as a matter of urgency. When Senior Phase pupils are in school over the Study Leave period, either for study purposes or to sit an exam, they should attend school in full school uniform as usual, and should sign into the building at the main school office. We wish all our students the best in their forthcoming exams, and we look forward to welcoming them back to school on the 6th June.

COVID Update

The latest Public Health guidance means that the twice-weekly asymptomatic LFD testing has now stopped. Please note that we are still encouraging all pupils and staff to wear face coverings in public areas around the school. Currently, if any pupil is displaying symptoms, they should continue to seek a PCR test.

Blazer Bank



In speaking with a number of our young people, it is clear that they have already grown out of their blazer which would hardly have been worn. We are encouraging all pupils to bring in blazers that no longer fit them and we can try to look at exchanging them for a blazer that does fit. Pupils can drop off blazers to the room next to Mr McLaughlin's office. All blazers will be washed before exchanging them.

St Andrew's Hospice Tinto Hill Climb



This week, S1 were visited by St Andrew's Hospice to launch the Tinto Hill Climb. Young people were given information on the role of the Hospice in our community and details of the fundraising event.

This year it will take place on the 24th of May. Young people are asked to discuss with their parents if they should take part in the event and then complete the form linked to the QR code or [this link](#). By completing the form, this will register young peoples interest.



The cost of the trip will be £20 which will include transport and a donation to the Hospice. Sponsor forms will also be available. We have 90 places available for the event and will be issued on a first come basis. Consideration will also be given to attendance and behaviour in school. We are looking forward to the event and another step towards working closely with the Hospice.



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S3 SNSA Assessments



S3 SNSA assessments will be starting next week. S3 parents have been emailed information regarding these assessments. Pupils will be taken to ICT suits and will complete these online. Young people do not need to revise for these assessments as they are used as a tool for teachers to plan learning and supports for young people.

Farewell to our Class of '22

We said goodbye to our S6 Class of '22 this week! Our young people continued the Taylor Tradition of a fun, emotional and happy last day of celebrations. After a period of shirt-signing, brunch and the S6 Oscars, our S6 young people left Taylor High School towards the Grotto for Mass in a procession lined by pupils and staff led by our resident piper Mr Geddes.

Fr Kevin led us all in a Mass of prayerful thanksgiving for our S6 pupils. From beginning to end, our S6 students made it an excellent celebration, and a truly memorable day. Many thanks go to Mr McQuaid and Miss McHugh for their organisation of the whole event. Have a look at our [Twitter feed for a snippet of the day](#). We wish all our students the very best for their exams and for the chapter in their lives!



Yours faithfully,
Paul McWatt

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

May 2022

May day holiday: Monday 2 May 2022

In-service day: Thursday 5 May 2022 (to coincide with Scottish local government elections)

May weekend holiday: Friday 27 May 2022 (One day has been moved due to Queen's Jubilee celebrations)

June 2022

Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations: Thursday 2 June and Friday 3 June

Schools close: Wednesday 29 June 2022 at 1pm

If you have any queries or concerns, please contact your Principal Teacher of Pupil Support, or if you have a general enquiry you can use our general enquiry mailbox: enquiries-at-taylor@northlan.org.uk.

Yours faithfully,
Paul McWatt