

JOHNSTONE HIGH SCHOOL PUPIL BULLETIN 30th September 2016

1. Note from Mrs Hollywood

This past week has seen myself and the senior management team along with parent council members and senior pupils visit our associated primary schools to talk to p7 pupils and their parents. We have visited six schools in three evenings and will visit Kilbarchan Primary next Tuesday. We do this because are very keen to promote Johnstone High School in our local community and tell new pupils and parents about the wonderful pupils and staff in our school!

The topics we cover include our new school values, the supports available for pupils so everyone is safe and happy (and able to learn), we also talk about the curriculum in high school and our SQA results. We then hand over the S6 pupils and our guest from the parent council on their experiences of Johnstone High, as they are in their final year here and have a lot to share with the younger children.

Whatever stage of the school you are in, take some time to reflect on where you are on your journey from primary, through secondary, and ultimately on to the big wide world. I've emphasised to the p7s the importance of **punctuality and attendance** as employers demand this. What standard is your **uniform**? Do you take a pride in your appearance and 'look the part – be the part' for school? I also spoke to the p7 about **work rate** – do you try your best, do your homework and revision and push yourself to reach your potential? Finally, I also emphasised **participation** with the p7 pupils. Johnstone High School has so much going on around clubs, activities, trips and leadership opportunities. Are you making the most of your time here?

2. Miss Pinkerton

Creative Writing Club on for S2 pupils on a Thursday lunchtime. It will be run by Miss Pinkerton and we will look at different styles of writing each week.

3. Active Schools

Just introduce myself as the new Active Schools coordinator for the high school. Looking to interact with as many of the school staff and pupils as possible to get this school involved with as much extra curricular sport and physical activity as possible. I am always open and want to meet each and every one of you. My office is on the home ec corridor. I am also regularly down at the PE department so please come and talk to me if your looking to get involved.

Contact details are: Danny.Johnston1993@renfrewshire.gov.uk 07825528701

Girls Football

Looking to promote the girls football club on a Tuesday after school. Open to all ages free with a football coach. There is a girls football league which Johnstone High have been entered into, so get yourself along and train/compete for the school as well as have some fun.

Hockey Club

Looking to start Hockey after school club on a Tuesday as well. Open to all ages with 2 coaches looking to take this on. Again perfect opportunity to get yourself involved and I would look to get some games with other local schools. Again no charge just come along and have some fun.

4. Employability

Logistics Training and Modern Apprenticeship

Renfrewshire council is working in partnership with West College Scotland and local logistics/haulage businesses to provide young people with industry-standard training which may lead to modern apprenticeships, employment opportunities or further study

Open Evening

Date: Tuesday 4 October

Time: 6-7 p.m.

Venue: West College Scotland, Paisley Campus, Abercorn Building During the session, you will hear from representatives from West College Scotland and A&D Logistics. It is also hoped that you will be able to take in a tour of the impressive automotive facility at West College Scotland.

Renfrewshire Schools Career Event

If you are in S4 – 6 and want to know more about what opportunities there are for studying at university/college or looking to get employment when you leave school then get along to this event.

Date: Tuesday 11th October

Time: 4-7 p.m.

Venue: Brough Hall, University of the West of Scotland, Paisley Campus Speak with a range of universities and local colleges to gain advice about education and employment options after school.

Scottish Apprenticeship Show

Skills Development Scotland have teamed up with the Daily Record to provide youngsters with everything they need to know about becoming an apprentice at the first Scottish Apprenticeship Show. It's a unique opportunity for young people and the nation's top employers to come together face to face in a lively and friendly environment.

S4- 6 pupils interested in an apprenticeship should contact Mr Gilmour asap about visiting the show during school on Monday 11th October.

5. Duke of Edinburgh

There will be a Duke of Edinburgh meeting this Friday 30th September at lunchtime in Miss Montgomery's room (SS2) at 12.45-1.10. Can you all attend for some important updates. See you then!

6. London Trip

If you are in S2 and would like to go to London next year for the activity days (26th-28th June 2017), there will be a meeting on Wednesday 5th October in the P.E classroom (English corridor) at 12:45pm where letters with more information will be handed out. Be sure not to miss the meeting as places for the trip will fill up fast!

London Trip 2017











