

Weekly Blog: Week Ending 20th February 2026

UNCRC Highlighted Article

Article 12:

Young people have the right to have their views and opinions taken seriously when decisions are being made. Over the next few weeks we will relaunch our Every Child Deserves a Champion initiative as well as some more pupil voice initiatives.

These are all based on input from our Young Leaders of Learning.



Diary Dates

Thursday 26th February	S5/6 Parents Eve (Virtual)
Friday 27th March	S2 Reports Issued
Tuesday 31st March	S6 Graduation Ceremony, 7pm, (details to be issued via a separate letter)
Wednesday 1st April	S6 Charities Day
Thursday 2nd April	School Closes (Easter Holiday)

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Senior Phase Arrangements

Next week I will meet with S4—S6 Pupils during assemblies. I will outline the following arrangements below:

S6 Graduation Ceremony

This will take place in the school on Tuesday 31st March at 7pm. I will write to parents and carers separately regarding this

S6 Charity Day

The annual S6 Charity Day will take place on Wednesday 1st April. S6 pupils are currently planning for this day and will communicate arrangements in due course.

Study Leave

Senior Phase pupils will stop on Tuesday 21st April for Study Leave. Pupils do not need to attend school if they do not have an exam but are welcome to come in for a quiet place to study. If pupils are coming in to school they should wear full school uniform.

New Timetable

Pupils will return from study leave and begin their new timetable on Monday 1st June. Timetable will be issued on this day in an allocated location within the school. Pupils should ensure they have completed options before the stop for study leave. Any pupil who is intending on leaving school should have already notified their Pastoral Teacher.

Qualifications Support and Guidance

Information and support for upcoming examinations can be found on the new Qualifications Scotland website:

<https://www.qualifications.gov.scot/>



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School Ethos

As part of our ongoing programme of assemblies we will spend time as a school supporting the following:

Focus 1: Arrival to Class

Arriving at Class - pupils should wait in an orderly manner outside a room before entering the class. Pupils (all year groups) should not enter a class without a teacher present.

Focus 2: Mobile Telephones

All pupils must put their phones in the box provided. Teachers will support this as pupils enter the classroom.

Focus 3: Food and Drink in Class

Only water should be out on the table. No energy / fizzy drinks. Pupils should be encouraged to fill bottles during break times.

Focus 4: End of Lesson

At the end of the lesson pupils should wait behind their desks to leave the classroom in an orderly fashion. This should be directed by the class teacher. No pupils should be waiting in the doorway.

The introduction of a five minute 'warning' bell has been well-received across the school. This sounds 5 minutes before the end of lunchtime and allows pupils the opportunity to pack up and arrive to class on time ready to learn.

I would like to thank you for your continued support.

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University of Glasgow Philosophy Trip

On Thursday 19th February a group of S5 Students visited the University of Glasgow. During their visit the group enjoyed talks on studying philosophy at the University, visited the Chaplaincy and explored the campus.



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