



Ayr Academy Weekly Newsletter

Week 11/09/23 - 23/06/23

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Upcoming Events

- 22nd - 25th September Holiday
- 3rd October S1 Parents' Evening
- 11th October Senior Careers Event
- 13th October Ayr Factor
- 14th-23rd October Holiday
- 30th October S4-6 Parents' Evening



AYR ACADEMY - CALENDAR OVERVIEW 2023/2024

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AUGUST	
17th	In Service Day
18th	In Service Day
21st	Pupils Return
SEPTEMBER	
22nd to 25th	Local Holiday
26th	Pupils Return
OCTOBER	
16th to 20th	October Holiday
23rd	In Service Day
24th	Pupils Return
DECEMBER/ JANUARY	
2th to 5th	Christmas Holidays
8th	Pupils Return
FEBRUARY	
12th	Local Holiday
13th	Inservice Day
14th	Pupils Return
MARCH/ APRIL	
29th to 12th	Easter Holiday
15th	Pupils return
MAY	
2nd	In Service Day
3rd	Pupils Return
6th	May Day Holiday
24th to 27th	May Day Long Weekend
28th	Pupils Return
JUNE	
28th	Summer Holidays

FULL REPORTS	
24th November	S1-S3
16th February	S3
8th March	S4-S6
10th May	S2-S3

TRACKING REPORTS	
15th September	S4-S6
19th January	S4-S6
13th May	S2-S3

PARENTS EVENINGS	
3rd October	S1s
30th October	S4-S6
5th December	S3
16th January	S2
5th February	S4-S6
13th May	S1

EVENTS	
8th September	Bake Sale—Seniors
11th October	Senior Career Event
13th October	Ayr Factor
13th October	Bake Sale
2nd November	Immunisations
13th November	Book Week Scotland
4th December	Prelims Begin
4th December	S3 Fashion & Textile Trip
6th December	Immunisations
15th December	Bake Sale
15th December	Reward Day
20th December	Panto
21st December	Christmas Disco
7th to 9th February	London Trip
7th March	World Book Day
25th March	Reward Day
11th 12th June	Bump up days



Welcome to our New S1 Pupils!!

We have been delighted to welcome our new S1 pupils to Ayr Academy and we have been so impressed with how well they have settled in to their new routine. Pupils have been consistently demonstrating our school values and have been looking so smart in their uniform everyday. We would like to thank all of our S1 parents and carers for their support with this.



S1 attendance so far has been really high, and we are really pleased to see our young people attending school consistently and on time, please continue to encourage good attendance with your child and let us know of any absences so we can record this accurately. If your child is experiencing any barriers to attending school, please contact their PT Guidance (listed at the end).

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Walking around school to visit S1 classes hard at work has been the highlight of our week each week; seeing classes so engaged in their learning and taking great care over their work has been a pleasure. We know lots of pupils have earned praise cards and house points already, well done to them! Pupils can earn praise cards and house points through demonstrating our school values and consistently meeting our school expectations - to be on time, try your hardest and follow instructions.

We know the transition from Primary to Secondary can be challenging, and we can't thank our S6 Wellbeing Ambassadors enough for buddying up with the S1 classes and supporting them through this. The buddies accompanied S1 pupils to classes throughout the first week to help them settle, and will remain in contact with their classes throughout the year; they are currently meeting with all S1 pupils to do settling in interviews and ensure our first years have the support they need. Any issues pupils are facing can be supported by their PT Guidance who is closely monitoring their wellbeing.

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If you have any concerns or queries at all, the PT Guidance is your first point of contact:

1C1 - Mr Robertson

1G1 - Mrs Gray

1K1/1K2 - Mrs Byers

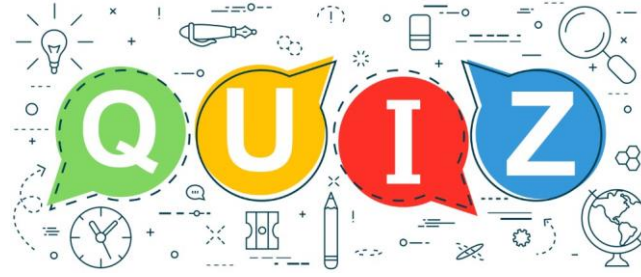
Finally, we will send out information shortly about our first S1 family engagement event to welcome all of our S1 families to our Ayr Academy community.

Many thanks,

Mrs Butler-Robson & Mrs Lawrie



Weekly Quiz



Turn me on my side and I am everything. Cut me in half and I am nothing. What am I?



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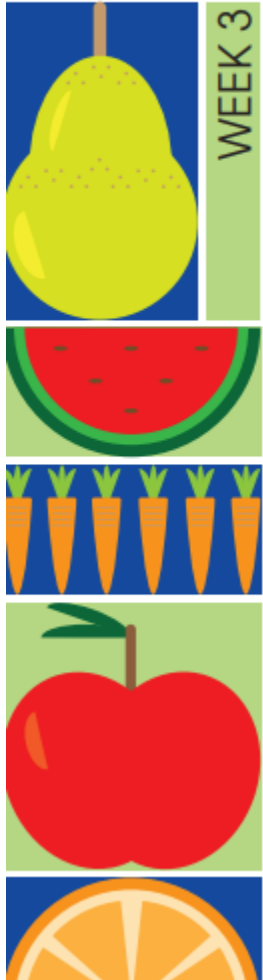
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SOUTH AYRSHIRE SECONDARY SCHOOL MENU 2023/2024



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Starter	Lentil soup Tomato & red pepper soup	Lentil soup Farmhouse soup	Lentil soup Cream of mushroom soup	Lentil soup Chicken & rice soup	Lentil soup
Mains option 1	Macaroni cheese	Steak pie	Chicken curry & boiled rice	Lasagne	Breaded fish
Mains option 2	Fish goujons	Quorn chilli wraps	Tomato & mascarpone pasta & garlic bread	Cheese & tomato pizza	Chicken goujons
Veg	Potato wedges, peas, baby carrots & salad bar	Mashed potato, broccoli & salad bar	Roast vegetables & salad bar	Potato wedges, sweetcorn & salad bar	Chips, beans, coleslaw & salad bar
Sweet	Self-service fruit bar available daily				

Available Daily
 Sandwiches, rolls, wraps and baguettes with a variety of fillings
 Panini's, pizzini's and toasties
 Baked potatoes
 Pots to go
 Salad bar
Check the menu board for daily specials



Scan here to see the dates for each weekly menu and allergen information

- Vegetarian

- Vegan





One Pot Tuna Pasta

With so many of our recent leavers embarking on University this week, here is a quick, easy and cheap meal for one!

Ingredients

- Pasta
- Tin of tuna
- Tin of sweetcorn
- Red onion
- Soft cheese (to mix) - mayonnaise could also be used
- Salt and pepper (to taste)



Method

Boil your pasta until cooked and mix all of the ingredients into the pan once you've drained out the pasta water. Mix it all together and you'll have some tasty one-pot tuna pasta to serve

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We have taken some time to reflect on how well we were doing in our classes, and many pupils found this helpful.

This week we will look at our **PREPARATION**.

Which of these statements do you think suits you best? If you are yellow or red, what can you do to move to green?



I come to class with the right materials.
If I have forgotten something, I take steps to sort this right at the start of the period.



Sometimes, when the class has started, I find I don't have the right materials (e.g pencil, worksheet, etc.)
I then ask the teacher for help.



The teacher has to ask me directly whether I have all the correct materials.
If the teacher doesn't ask me, I don't start my work.

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COMING SOON

COURSES ARE LOADING



*B A R I S T A A N D
N A I L B A R*

BIKE MAINTENANCE HAS STARTED ALREADY

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Ayr Academy's Finest



If anyone would like to nominate a pupil as one of Ayr Academy's Finest, please email nicola.mcgarra@south-ayrshire.gov.uk with details and any photos you may have. 😊

**Coming Soon
With Miss Roche...**

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Mrs Cairns' 'Piece of the Week'



This week's 'Piece of the Week' from Mrs Cairns is by Grant McClelland, Zoe Reid, Makenzi Thomson, Kyla Lyell, Cody Riddux and Amina Shaar - all S2. The pieces are colour studies of flowers using colour pencil. Pupils were focusing on applying light layers of pencil to aid the blending process to create a realistic effect. Well done to all six pupils, fantastic effort! 😊

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AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

COME DOWN TO P.E FOR SOME AFTER SCHOOL FUN!

Monday - basketball



Tuesday – Fitness + Badminton



Wednesday – Netball



Thursday – Volleyball + Football



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Weekly Quiz Answers



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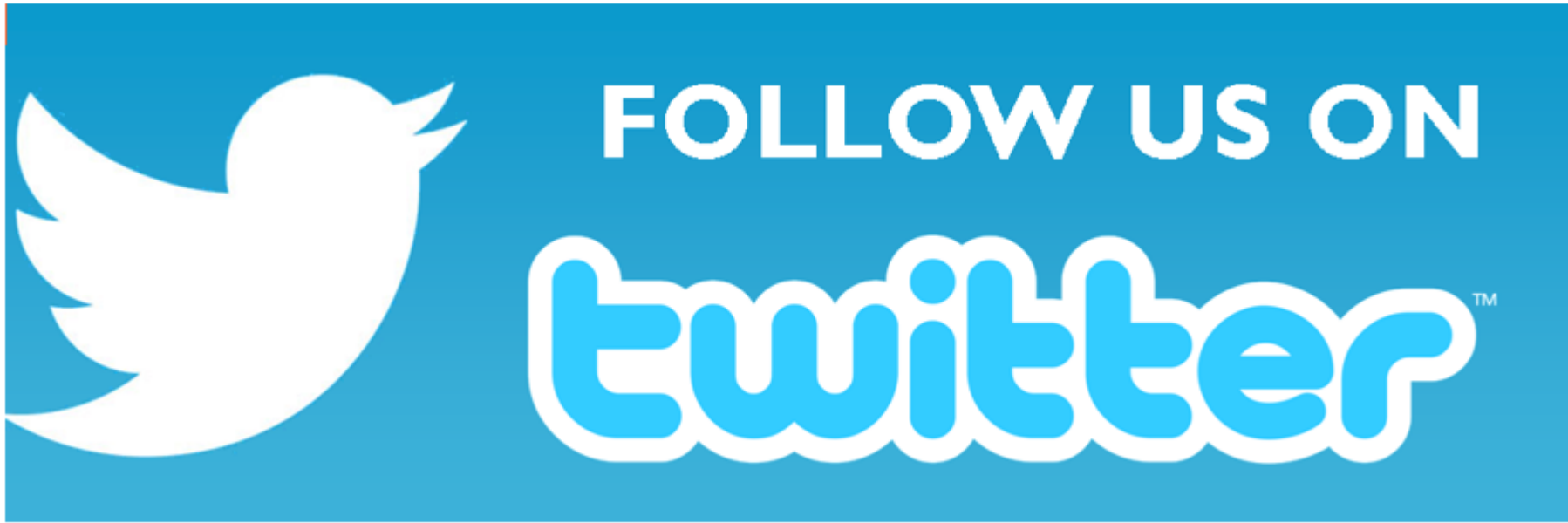
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