

Monday 24 June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

As we reach the last week of the academic session, I write with a final update of the term.

1. Some highlights this term in the Anderson High School

- The Senior Music concert on Thursday 18 April 2024.
- S2 John Muir Days in April and May 2024.
- The involvement of pupils from the Support for Learning Department in the Voar Redd Up.
- A busy programme of SQA exams running from Monday 22 April 2024 through to Wednesday 29 May 2024.
- The NHS Nursing Showcase Event, involving S3 Biology pupils, highlighting various nursing careers on Wednesday 08 May 2024.
- Anderson High School winning the secondary schools annual football competition on Wednesday 15 May 2024.
- The success of S1 and S2 pupils in the UK Junior Maths challenge, and some of our pupils being involved in the recent Scottish Mathematics Challenge.
- Our Activities Week and School Trips in May 2024.
- Our new S5 pupils joining the school from Junior High Schools on Thursday 30 May 2024.
- Sports Day on Friday 07 June 2024.
- Anderson High School hosting the Global Classroom Conference last week.
- The P7 Visit Days last Thursday and Friday.

2. Staffing Update

At the end of this week, Mrs Smith, Teacher of Support for Learning, and Mrs Johnson, our Head Cook, will retire. Mr Armstrong, one of our Craft, Design and Technology teachers, and Mrs Gladden, our temporary Support for Learning Teacher, are also leaving the school. We wish colleagues all the very best.

Meanwhile, we have recently welcomed Mrs Whittle, teacher of Support for Learning, back into school.

3. The School Improvement Plan, 2024/25

At the start of the new academic session, we will share our School Improvement Plan for 2024/25.

Our priorities for the new session will be as follows:

- (a) Improving pupil attendance.
- (b) Developing approaches to Learning, Teaching and Assessment in the school.
- (c) Developing the school's curriculum.
- (d) Enhancing opportunities for pupil voice and pupil leadership in the school.

4. Summer Holidays

We will write to you at the end of July with packs of information for the new term, including information about SQA results.

5. The new school session

We will welcome all of our pupils back to school on Wednesday 14 August 2024.

Finally, I hope all families have a splendid summer break and thanks for your support to the school over the session.

Yours sincerely

Robin Calder
Head Teacher