

P Clydesdale Cup

Well done to all students who participated in the athletics events at the John Cumming Stadium, Carluke on Wednesday, 14th May! We were very proud of our team and the commitment shown on the day and in training events in the lead up to the competition.

Well done also to all students who have been involved in the previous Clydesdale Cup matches: rugby, netball, table tennis, badminton and football. Overall, we were placed third in the competition, with some great individual and team performances. Congratulations to Carluke High School, who won this year's cup! We look forward to future events.

B Lee**P SLC Netball Tournament**

Well done to all students who participated in the SLC Netball Tournament at the Ally McCoist Stadium in East Kilbride. The team members were excellent ambassadors for our school and enjoyed taking part in the competition.

B Lee**P U15s Football Semi-Final Match**

Well done to our U15 team, who delivered another excellent performance at the Glebe on 15th May, against Strathaven Academy. It was a strong performance from both teams, with a score of 2-2 at the end of play. Both Lesmahagow goals were scored by Kyle Wilson. Well done to Strathaven Academy, who won 3-2 on penalties.

B Lee**P DoE Expedition Meeting**

Thank you to everyone who joined our DofE Expedition Information Evening on 15th May. Mr Rivans and Miss Forbes outlined the arrangements for the upcoming skills days, practise expedition and final expedition. Please see Mr Rivans or Miss Forbes if you have any questions.

Mr Rivans/Miss Forbes**P S3 Reports**

S3 Reports will be issued on Wednesday, 21st May. Please see Mr Gray if you have any questions about reports.

B Lee**P S1 Parents' Evening**

Our S1 Parents' Evening takes place on Wednesday, 21st May, from 4.15 – 7 pm. We look forward to welcoming parents and carers of S1 students to our school.

B Lee**P S1-S3 Sports Day**

S1-S3 Sports Day takes place (weather permitting) at Craighead Park on Thursday, 22nd May. There will be opportunities for all students to participate both in the sports events and a range of other activities organised in partnership with the Pupil Council. Pupils are encouraged to wear House colours for Sports Day (Kerse – Red, Logan – Yellow, Milton – Blue).

Pupils will attend Tutor Time and Period 1 as normal.

There will be warm up activities for all students, sports events organised by the PE department, year group races for skipping, hula hoop and other competitions, face painting/temporary tattoos, t-shirt decorating (please bring a spare t-shirt) and cheerleading workshops. The home economics department will also arrange a tuck-shop selling juice, sweets and crisps (please bring some money if you'd like to purchase a snack), and some bracelets and key rings will be on sale.

Lunch-time will be from 12 noon – 1 pm on Thursday, to allow time for the afternoon S3 Pupils v Staff football match in the afternoon.

Pupils will then return to school to attend period 7 as normal.

N Ross

P May Holiday Weekend

Friday, 23rd May and Monday, 26th May are holidays. However, SQA exams continue for Senior Phase students. Modern Studies exams take place on Friday, 23rd May and Art exams take place on Monday, 26th May. School reopens on Tuesday, 27th May, at 8.40 am. We hope everyone has a lovely holiday weekend.

B Lee

P Expressive Arts Evening

The evening of Thursday 12th June has been confirmed as the date for our Expressive Arts evening. This will include the following awards: Art & Design S3 Artist of the Year and Designer of the Year, Drama S3 Performer of the year and Music Young Musician, Young Vocalist, Senior Musician and Senior Vocalist. Please see your class teachers in Art, Music and Drama for further details.

Mrs Ritchie

P S1 and S2 Run Club

All S1 and S2 pupils interested in participating in a run club on Mondays, 3.45 – 4.30 pm should see Miss Stewart.

Miss Stewart

P SQA Exam Calendar

The updated SQA Exam Calendar is available at: [Exam timetable and learner apps - SQA](#) The SQA exam diet is now underway and ends on Monday, 2nd June (contingency day).

Some changes have been made to the exams on each day - please check the dates of each of your exams carefully.

Study leave will commence for Senior Phase students on Thursday, 24th April. The last teaching day for Senior Phase students before the SQA exams will be Wednesday, 23rd April. Teachers will be available throughout the exam diet to support revision.

Good luck to all Senior Phase students with their SQA exams! Please let Mr Gray know if you have any questions.

B Lee

P School Show – October 2025

Planning and rehearsals for our School Show – Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat – continue! Performances will take place in the week before the October break. Congratulations to everyone who has secured a leading role! If you are interested in taking part or helping in any way, please go along to rehearsals on Thursdays, 3.35 – 4.45 in the Music Department.

B Lee

P Emergency Exits

A reminder that fire doors must only be used during emergency evacuations. This change has been implemented by South Lanarkshire Council, across all schools and other Council buildings, for health and safety reasons, to improve security and also due to maintenance issues. All pupils must enter and leave the school building using the main entrance/exit.

B Lee

P Home Economics

All pupils are reminded to bring a container for Home Economics when cooking. Thank you!

S Miller

P Uniform Items and School Bags

If you have any pre-loved uniform items or school bags that are no longer needed, we would be delighted if these could be handed into the school office so that we can add them to our uniform and school supplies for next session. Please help us to look after our environment – remember the importance of reducing, repairing, reusing and recycling!

B Lee

P Lost Property

A number of lost property items (including expensive outdoor jackets) remain unclaimed in the lost property store. Please check with Joan and Lynn if you have misplaced any items within the school.

B Lee

P Community

A reminder of the importance of placing litter in the bins provided. It is important that we look after the local environment and show respect for our community.

B Lee

P ParentsPortal

Thank you to all parents and carers who have signed up to ParentsPortal, our new digital communication service. ParentsPortal enables parents to update contact information, complete consent forms, view canteen menus and attendance information, link to ParentPay and other functions. From this session, school reports will also be available through ParentsPortal. Please contact the school office if you require any further information.

B Lee

P 'Too good to go'

Unsold sandwiches/wraps/baguettes left over from lunch-time can be collected from a fridge in the Pupil Support corridor at the end of the school day or by arrangement with PTs Pupil Support/SMT/PTs Equity. Please speak to SMT, PTs Pupil Support or PTs Equity for further information.

Please also remember that a supply of toiletries are available in Mr Mallaghan's Pupil Support Office. There are also some porridge pots if anyone has missed breakfast.

B Lee

P Uniform

Our school uniform is:

- White shirt/blouse;
- School tie (red and black/ senior/ international);
- Plain black V-neck jumper or cardigan without logos;
- Black trousers/black skirt;
- School blazer, with option of braiding for S6;
- Plain black footwear (including laces); and
- P.E. kit (white, red or black t-shirt, black shorts).

Please speak to Mrs McCallum, your Pupil Support Teacher, Miss Leckenby, Mrs Miller or any member of SMT if you need any uniform items. Alternatively, you can request uniform items at the links below:

School uniform <https://forms.gle/AWcqcQ7seyd5c91i9>

We would welcome any donations of any pre-loved items of school uniform, particularly school blazers to add these to the supplies available to pupils. Please pass any donations to the School Office. Thank you.

B Lee

P Windfarm Connect2 Renewables Employability Fund – S4-S6 pupils

The following information about the Windfarm Connect 2 Renewables Employability Fund has been shared with S4-S6 pupils and posted in S4-S6 Google Classrooms:

Due to your proximity to the Kype Muir and Middle Muir windfarms, if you plan on leaving at the end of this school year, you could be entitled to up to £500 (if going to college/university) or £200 if going into employment/apprenticeship. This is a grant payment that does not need to be paid back. The only real requirement is that you live within the required postcode areas.

I would encourage you all to apply if eligible - it is free money that could be really useful as you start your post-school journey.

To apply, you really just need to complete a form - but you won't receive the money until you start college/university as they will need to see your student card. You can make enquiries now though by contacting: connect2renewables@souuthlanarkshire.gov.uk or telephone 0800 9520 070.

J Mallaghan

P Homework

Homework will be shared using Google Classroom. Please make sure you are a member of all your Google Classrooms, including your Year Group Google Classroom.

LA Cimmino

P Young Scot Card and Free Bus Travel

If you need a new Young Scot Card, or still have to renew your card to access free bus travel, your Tutor teacher can give you a form to complete, which will allow us to apply for your card on your behalf. Completed forms should be returned to Miss Fletcher or the School Office. Please see Miss Fletcher if you have any questions about accessing free bus travel.

B Lee

P EMA – S5/6

EMA application forms can be downloaded from the South Lanarkshire Council website. On the Council website, click on 'Education and Learning', then 'Secondary School Information', then 'Education Maintenance Allowance'. If you need any help with this, please see Mr Robertson or your Pupil Support Teacher. It is your responsibility to complete and send the application form.

When you receive an award letter with your EMA number on it, bring this to Mr Robertson who will then issue a copy of the Learning Agreement to be signed by your teachers and Parent/Carer. You should then return the completed Learning Agreement to Mr Robertson and the school office will then process your EMA.

Only when you have completed all of the above will the payment process begin. Please see Mr Robertson if you have any questions about EMA.

D Robertson