

TRIPS / OUTINGS / EVENTS

31 st May	DofE Expedition Practice Walk	S Rivans
2 nd June	New timetable	B Lee
2 nd June	New S5 and S6 Induction Days	B Lee
4 th June	ICT Cloud Migration	B Lee
4 th June	Prize Giving	B Lee
6 th June	DofE Skills Day	S Rivans

FORTHCOMING

10 th and 11 th June	P7 Transition Days	B Lee
10 th June	IMS Showcase	B Lee
11 th June	S1 Information Evening	B Lee
12 th June	Expressive Arts Awards Evening	R Ritchie
12 th and 13 th June	DofE Expedition	S Rivans
17 th June	Health Sector Training Day	I Iqbal
18 th June	S6 Prom	D Robertson
23 rd -27 th June	Auchengillan Residential Trip	J Mallaghan
25 th June	School closes at 1 pm for summer holidays	B Lee

P New Timetable and S5/6 Induction – Monday, 2nd June

Our new Timetable begins on Monday, 2nd June 2025 for all students. Timetables for new S2-S4 students will be issued from Wednesday, 28th May at Tutor Time.

Timetables for new S5 and S6 students will be issued at S5/6 Assembly in the Street area on Monday, 2nd June. Monday, 2nd June will also be the Induction Day for our new S5 and S6 students who are returning from SQA Exam leave. Further information regarding the S5/6 induction days will be shared in Google Classrooms and will include time to copy any files from the school computer network onto OneDrive in preparation for our move to cloud storage from 4th June 2025.

B Lee

P Year Group Assemblies – Week beginning 2nd June 2025

S5/6 – Monday, 2nd June
 S2 – Tuesday, 3rd June
 S3 – Wednesday, 4th June
 S4 – Thursday, 5th June.

B Lee

P ICT Cloud Migration

From 4th June 2025, we will move to ICT cloud storage only. Students and staff who currently have any documents saved to the server on the school network must copy these to OneDrive before Wednesday, 4th June. S1-S3 pupils should aim to complete this by Friday, 30th May. Returning S4 and S5 students and any students who are leaving school should aim to complete this by Tuesday, 3rd June 2025. Please see Mr Prentice or Mr Wilson if you have any questions.

B Lee

P Prize Giving

Prize Giving takes place on Wednesday, 4th June, in the Games Hall. We look forward to welcoming students, parents/carers, families, invited guests and staff to celebrate the achievements of our students. Thank you to the Prize Giving committee for arranging this annual event.

B Lee

P S3 Reports

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

B Lee

P S1 Parents' Evening

Thank you to all parents and carers who joined us for our S1 Parents' Evening on Wednesday, 21st May, from 4.15 – 7 pm.

B Lee

P S1-S3 Sports Day

Thank you and well done to all S1-S3 students who participated in our Sports Day and Staff v Pupils football match on Thursday, 22nd May at Craighead Park. Special thanks to the Health and Wellbeing Faculty and Pupil Council, supported by Mrs Wright and a number of volunteer staff, who arranged and participated in the activities throughout the day. Overall winners of the Year Group and House group competitions will be finalised and shared this week. Well done to the staff and pupils who participated in the afternoon football match: after an exciting match, which ended 1-1, the staff won on penalties. S2 pupils were already looking forward to next year's Staff v Pupils match!

N Ross

P Expressive Arts Evening

Our Faculty of Expressive Arts Awards Evening will take place on Thursday 12th June at 6.30pm. Please come and join us in the street area to celebrate the successes of our young people with the finals and presentations of awards for Young Musician and Young Vocalist, Senior Musician and Senior Vocalist, S3 Drama Performer of the Year, S3 artist and S3 Designer.

Tickets are available to purchase from the school office - £4 adult, £3 concession/child, £10 Family ticket (2 adults/2 children)

Refreshments will be available to purchase from our Barista Team in 'Cafe2Gow'.

B Lee

P School Canteen Feedback

To share your feedback about canteen services, please complete the following Google Form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfHGZA7SZQWo67CcGoouMwEu_kgM9FHjDnKJpKst394glupAg/viewform?usp=header

B Lee

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.

L Stewart

P SQA Exam Calendar

The updated SQA Exam Calendar is available at: [Exam timetable and learner apps - SQA](https://www.sqa.org.uk/qualifications-and-assessments/exam-timetable-and-learner-apps). We are now in the final week of the SQA exam diet. Monday, 2nd June is a contingency day, should this be required. Please remember to check the dates and times of all exams carefully.

Study leave ends on Friday, 30th May for all students. Teachers continue to be available to support revision this week. 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.

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R Ritchie

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@southlanarkshire.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