

TRIPS / OUTINGS / EVENTS

9 th June	ICT Cloud Migration Final Stages	B Lee
10 th and 11 th June	P7 Transition Days	D Robertson
10 th June	IMS Showcase, Hamilton Town House 7pm	B Lee
11 th June	S1 Information Evening	D Robertson
12 th June	Expressive Arts Awards Evening	R Ritchie
12 th and 13 th June	DofE Expedition	S Rivans

FORTHCOMING

16 th June –	Strathclyde University Accelerate Programme (identified subject areas)	J Mallaghan
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

Pupil Notice

9th June 2025

P Timetable 2025/26

We hope everyone enjoyed the first week of our new 2025/26 timetable. Thank you for all your hard work and the commitment you've shown in your new classes. Assemblies last week focussed on our Standards and Expectations, Vision and Values. Maintain these high standards in the weeks ahead.

B Lee

P ICT Cloud Migration

Thank you for moving your files from the school server to OneDrive over the past few weeks. Computers should be available again in week beginning 9th June, once final checks have been made. Thank you to all staff involved in supporting the ICT update.

B Lee

P Prize Giving

Our 2025 Prize Giving took place on Wednesday, 4th June, when we celebrated the achievements of our students in a wide range of fields. Congratulations to all of our prize winners and thank you to all family members, friends and colleagues who joined us at this event. Thank you also to our dedicated Prize Giving committee who organised the evening, to everyone who donated prizes and all who supported our raffle.

Congratulations to the following recipients of International Ties:

Freyah Black – Football, Katie Brownlie – Baton Twirling, Cole Campbell – Boxing, Emma Clark – Athletics, Emma Gardiner – Curling, Liv Jeffrey – Netball, Ellie Maher – Swimming, Eilidh McArthur – Swimming, Grace Mitchell – Kickboxing and Boxing, Ana Muldoon – Athletics, Zakk Neeson – Swimming, Ava Short – Boxing, Lily Stewart – Gymnastics, Abigail Winning – Football.

Special congratulations to:

S3 Sports Champions: Freyah Black and Adam Wayt
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William Tod Dux Medallist for 2025: Jessica Lobjoie

Well done, everyone!

B Lee

P County Sports – First Round

Good luck to all S1-S3 students who are participating in the first round of County Sports on 10th June at East Kilbride.

P Instrumental Music Service Showcase

Good luck to all students who are participating in the Instrumental Music Service Showcase on Tuesday, 10th June, at 7 pm, in Hamilton Town House.

B Lee

P P7 Visits/ Information Evening

Our new S1 students will visit us on Tuesday, 10th and Wednesday, 11th June from our associated primaries, 9 am –2.30 pm. There will be an assembly on Tuesday, 10th June to welcome our pupils, followed by an opportunity to follow timetables and visit a range of classes.

Our S1 Information Evening takes place on the evening of Wednesday, 11th June, commencing at 6.30 pm in the Street Area. There will be a welcome presentation, an opportunity to meet with Pupil Support and key staff. Mrs Gayle Dyt, Canteen Manager, will also be there to answer any questions regarding catering arrangements.

B Lee

P Duke of Edinburgh's Award – Expedition

Good luck to our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Awards groups who will complete their Expedition on Thursday and Friday 12th and 13th June. We hope you enjoy the experience, and the weather is kind to you! Well done and thank you for all your hard work in the weeks leading up to the expedition, including joining the practice walk, skills day and updating your portfolio. Thank you to all staff involved in supporting our students and to Tesco, the Community Council and Parent Council for supporting the purchase of equipment for our students.

B Lee

P Expressive Arts Evening

Our Faculty of Expressive Arts Awards Evening will take place on Thursday, 12th June at 6.30 pm. 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'.

We look forward to seeing you then.

R Ritchie

P Strathclyde University Accelerate Programme

Good luck to all students who are participating in the Strathclyde University Accelerate Programme in week beginning 16th June. Please see Mr Mallaghan if you have any questions.

B Lee

P S6 Prom

We hope all Senior Phase students enjoy their Prom on Wednesday, 18th June, which takes place at the Radstone Hotel.

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 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@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