

P Activities Day – Monday, 23rd June

A wide range of activities have been organised for students to enjoy both in and out of school on Monday, 23rd June. Some students are going to Auchengillan or to Strathclyde University from Monday – Friday.

Monday's activities include:

- PE and Technologies: Golf at Hollandbush, Just Dance, Volleyball Tournament, 5v5 football, Barista Skills
- Expressive Arts: School Show Rehearsals, Zen Zone craft and colour, Aboriginal dot painting
- Languages: Reading and Relaxation
- Home Economics and Technologies: Creative Workshop – Building raised planters or Making patchwork denim bags, Lanark Loch Picnic, Computer Games
- Maths: netball tournament, Uno and card games
- Social Subjects: Movie Day

Please speak to the relevant department for further information or to sign up to the activities. Please bring PE Kit for the sporting activities.

N Ross

P School Captain Interviews and Pupil Leadership Voting

Thank you to all students who have submitted their applications to join our Pupil Leadership team. Interviews for School Captain take place on Monday, 23rd June. Students and staff are invited to view speeches and vote through Google Classroom, by the end of the day on Monday, 23rd June. Please see Mr Robertson if you have any questions regarding the Pupil Leadership Team or Captains Interviews.

D Robertson

P Inflatables Day – Tuesday, 24th June

Each year group will have the opportunity to enjoy our 'Inflatables Challenge' on Tuesday, 24th June, in the Games Hall. Please bring your PE kit to change into for the activity.

D Robertson

P Last day of term – Wednesday, 25th June

This will be a non-uniform day. No donation is required. (No football colours permitted.) There will be one interval for all students, which will be extended, from 11.10 - 11.40 am. School closes at 1 pm for the summer holidays. We hope everyone has a lovely summer holiday and look forward to seeing everyone again in the new term. Pupils return on Thursday, 14th August 2025, at 8.40 am, in full uniform, for the new term.

B Lee

P County Sports – Second Round

Well done to all students who represented our school at County Sports and congratulations to the eleven medal winners! We look forward to celebrating the success of students at our Sports Personality of the Year event in September!

B Lee

P Duke of Edinburgh's Award – Expedition

Well done to our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Awards groups who completed their expedition on 12th and 13th June! The groups now look forward to preparing for their Silver Expedition, with

provisional dates identified for September. Please speak to Mr Rivans and Miss Forbes for more information.

Mr Rivans/Miss Forbes

P Strathclyde University Accelerate Programme

We hope all students who participated in the Strathclyde University Accelerate programme in week beginning 16th June enjoyed the experience. Good luck to all students who are participating in the programme this week, week beginning 23rd June. Please see Mr Mallaghan if you have any questions.

M Mallaghan

P S6 Prom

Thank you and well done to everyone who helped to make our S6 Prom a really special and memorable evening. Special thanks to the Prom Committee for making all of the arrangements, Mr and Mrs Gilmour, our Photography team, Mr Hobson our Coach Driver and to all families and friends who came to the school to see everyone before we left for the Radstone Hotel.

R 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 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.

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.

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