

TRIPS / OUTINGS / EVENTS

Mon 27 th Oct	STEM DYW Trip	N Forbes
Mon 27 th Oct	Chess Club starts again	S Rivans
Mon 27 th Oct	Periods 6 & 7 – S1 Merit Event	S Kelly
Tues 28 th Oct	Periods 6 & 7 – S2 Merit Event	S Kelly
Wed 29 th Oct	Senior Phase Reports issued Senior Phase Parents' Evening Booking Opens	A Gray
Wed 29 th Oct	S1 & S2 Hallowe'en Disco – 6- 8 pm	E Gardiner
Thurs 30 th Oct	Periods 6 & 7 – S3 Merit Event	S Kelly
Thurs 30 th Oct	Higher Psychology Workshop at Neilsland Hub, Hamilton (pm)	LA Cimmino

FORTHCOMING

Mon 3 rd Nov	Senior Phase Parents' Evening Bookings Close	A Gray
Mon 3 rd Nov	Clydesdale Cup – Senior Volleyball – Carluke HS	N Ross
Tue-Fri, 4-7 th Nov	House Assemblies	Pupil Support
Tue 4 th Nov	Senior Phase Parents' Evening	A Gray
Wed 5 th Nov	S5 OnPath Energy Event (am)	CA McGuire
Thurs 6 th Nov	S1/2 and S3/4 Girls' Football Tournament, Hamilton	N Ross
Thurs 6 th Nov	Theatre Trip – To Kill a Mockingbird	S Kelly
Fri 7 th Nov	9.30-11.30 am – Clydesdale Specialist Support Team ASN Drop-in at the Fountain, Lesmahagow	
Mon 10 th Nov	In-Service Day for Staff	B Lee
Tue, 11 th Nov	Remembrance Day Services	Chaplaincy Team
Tue 11 th Nov	Parent Council Meeting	B Lee
Thurs 13 th Nov	Clydesdale Cup (S1 and S2 Rugby and Netball) at Biggar HS	N Ross
Mon 17 th Nov	Inter-house Swimming Competition	E Gardiner
WB 17 th Nov	Year Group Assemblies	Year Heads
Tue 18 th Nov	MVP Mentors Presentation (pm) - Banqueting Hall, Hamilton	E Gardiner & A Gordon
Wed 19 th Nov	Early Lunch-time for all students: 12.25 - 1.05 pm Lesmahagow High School Careers Event - 1.30-3.15 pm	N Forbes

Pupil Notice

24th October 2025**P Netball Team**

Well done to our netball team, who won 7 out of 8 of their games at the Clydesdale Netball Festival on Wednesday evening.

B Lee

P Instrumental Music Service – Congratulations!

Congratulations to the following students who have been invited to join the Instrumental Music Service groups this session:

South Lanarkshire Schools' Big Band – Nathan Blackmore – Trombone

South Lanarkshire Schools' Choir – Amara Duncan and Myla Simpson

Saxophone Ensemble – Darcy Jolley – Tenor Saxophone and Saira Mohammed – Soprano Saxophone

Well done, everyone!

B Lee

P Wellbeing Survey

SLC Education Resources is undertaking an authority wide survey between 3rd November and 12th December 2025 to gather insights into the mental health and wellbeing of pupils from P5 to S6 across South Lanarkshire, to help inform local services and support strategies.

Information about the survey has been shared with parents and carers through Parents Portal.

This information can also be accessed at: [SLC Health and Wellbeing Survey Information](#).

Paper copies will also be provided as required, and where consent forms are needed.

B Lee

P S1 Parents' Evening

Thank you to all parents/carers and pupils who joined us for Parents' Evening on 23rd October. It was lovely to see everyone and to share updates about how well our new S1 students have settled into school. We hope parents/carers enjoyed seeing our classrooms and viewing the displays at our information stations.

B Lee

P Merit Events

Well done to all students who are invited to participate in the S1-S3 Merit workshops in week beginning 27th October. S1 will have the opportunity to select merit workshops for Monday periods 6 and 7, S2 on Tuesday, periods 6 and 7 and S3 on Thursday, periods 6 and 7. Thank you to the Merit Committee and Miss Kelly for all their hard work in organising our Merit events.

B Lee

P Achieve Hub!

All Senior Phase students are welcome to study in B210 on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3.35 - 4.30 pm until the end of November. ICT is available, which will provide access to the Achieve resources for an extensive range of subjects and Mrs Forbes will be there to support students. Joining information for Achieve is available from class teachers. This is a great opportunity to spend some time revising in school with your friends, in a welcoming and supportive environment. Please let Mrs Forbes know if you have any questions or suggestions.

B Lee

P Senior Phase Reports and Parents' Evening

Senior Phase Tracking reports will be issued on Wednesday, 29th October, along with booking information for Senior Phase Parents' Evening. Our first Senior Phase Parents' Evening takes place on Tuesday, 4th November. Bookings for appointments open on Wednesday, 29th October and close on Monday, 3rd November. We look forward to welcoming all Parents/Carers of Senior Phase students to our school. Appointments will take place in classrooms around the school; there will also be a welcome presentation, information stations and refreshments available in the Street area.

B Lee

P Hallowe'en Disco

There will be a Hallowe'en Disco for S1 and S2 students on Wednesday, 29th October, 6-8 pm, organised by our S6 Pupil Leadership Team. We look forward to seeing everyone there! Tickets will be available from Mr Gardiner and Miss Gordon.

B Lee

P Monday, 10th November

Please note: Monday, 10th November is an in-service day for staff. School will close at 12.30 pm on Friday, 7th November and re-open for students on Tuesday, 11th November, at 8.40 am.

B Lee

P Remembrance Day Assembly

Our next Chaplaincy Assemblies will take place on Tuesday, 11th November, led by Rev. Morag Garrett, Minister at Coalburn and Lesmahagow Church. All members of uniformed organisations are invited to participate in the assemblies or join the rehearsal on Wednesday, 5th November at 12.30 pm. Please let Miss Lee, Mrs Wright, Mrs Baillie or Mr Anderson know if you'd like to take part.

B Lee

P Parent Council Meeting

Our next Parent Council Meeting takes place on Tuesday, 11th November, in the SMT Room, from 7.15 - 8.45 pm. A Microsoft Teams link can be provided to any parents/carers who would like to join online. New members are always welcome. Please contact the school office to request the online link or for further information. We look forward to seeing you there!

B Lee

P Easyfundraising – Lesmahagow High School Parent Council

Thank you to all members of our school community who support our students through 'easyfundraising', in partnership with Lesmahagow High School Parent Council. Once

registered, over 8,000 easyfundraising partners donate part of what you spend to Lesmahagow High School Parent Council. It doesn't cost you any extra – the cost is covered by the brand. To find out more or to sign-up, please follow this link:

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=225689&invite=K6SZUA&referral-campaign=s2s&utm_medium=email&utm_source=facebook&utm_campaign=referral-2025&utm_term=PRO83&utm_content=socialshare&fbclid=IwVERTSANL4E1leHRuA2FibQIxMAABHII0CYum4LI2x_3OXqYOBqQYjpr6DsAJ_OQEfpuxKXID9PA5_VwjX89-Y_qb_aem_Yj_d_USx5PWGbXcpR2IijQ

B Lee

P Scripture Union

Scripture Union Club meets on Wednesdays at lunchtime in Mr Anderson's room, B101. It was lovely to see everyone who joined us last week and brilliant to welcome new members. We look forward to seeing everyone again on Wednesday! All welcome, please bring your lunch!

B Lee

P Chess Club

Chess Club has started again in Mrs Mullen's room (B102) on a Monday lunchtime. All are welcome. We plan to play both Lanark GS and Carluke HS in a feisty tournament later in the autumn. We must win our trophy back!

B Lee

P S1 and S2 Board Game Club

A reminder that the board game club is on at lunch-time on Wednesdays, in the Virtual Classroom in Social Subjects. Miss Barnett looks forward to seeing you there!

B Lee

P S1 Gaming Club

S1 Gaming Club runs on Thursday at lunchtime in the Contemplation Room. Thank you to all who have already signed up. If you are interested in attending but did not sign up, please come on Thursday to add your name to the list!

E Gardiner

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!

N Ross

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, 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.co.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 completed on 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