

**TRIPS / OUTINGS / EVENTS**

Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Bronze DofE Practice Walk	N Forbes
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> June	New Timetable Begins	LA Cimmino
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	S1 and S3 Catch Up Immunisation Day	D Robertson
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Prize Giving	L Wright
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Girls' Football Summer Cup	N Ross
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> – Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> June	DofE Silver Practice Expedition	S Rivans

**FORTHCOMING**

Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Next Gen Careers Day, Wishaw General Hospital	N Forbes
WB 8 <sup>th</sup> June	University of Strathclyde Accelerate Programme	J Mallaghan
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> June	S6 Prom	D Robertson
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> & Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 to S1 Transition Days	D Robertson
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> June	County Sports Heat	N Ross
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Instrumental Music Showcase	C Robertson-Cheyne
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Parents' Information Evening	D Robertson
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> June	DofE Bronze Qualifying Expedition	S Rivans
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> June	S1 Show Racism the Red Card Workshops (Group 1)	B Lee
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Public Holiday	B Lee
WB 15 <sup>th</sup> June	House Assemblies	Pupil Support
Tues 16 <sup>th</sup> June	County Sports Finals	N Ross
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> June	DofE Silver Qualifying Expedition	S Rivans
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Chaplaincy Team Meeting	Chaplaincy Team
Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> June	S1 Show Racism the Red Card Workshops (Groups 2-4)	B Lee
WB 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	University of Strathclyde Accelerate Programme	J Mallaghan
Thurs 25 <sup>th</sup> June	School Closes for Summer Holidays 1pm	B Lee

**Pupil Notice****1<sup>st</sup> June 2026****P Qualifications Scotland Exams**

Well done to our Senior Phase Students who have completed their Qualifications Scotland exams and coursework! Thank you for your hard work and commitment. Our invigilation team, led by Mr. David Abercrombie, have praised the students on their conduct throughout the exam diet.

Exam results will be published on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> August 2026. Staff will be in school that morning to offer advice and support.

Students should speak to Mr Gray, Qualifications Scotland Coordinator, if they have any questions relating to exams and certification.

New S5 and S6 students returned on Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> May, for their induction day, and will follow their new timetable from Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> June.

**B Lee****P Enterprising Maths Competition**

Congratulations to Tyler Parsons, Murray Inch, Oscar Clarke and Tomlin Garnett, who represented our school in the SLC Enterprising Maths Competition at the Banqueting Hall, South Lanarkshire Headquarters, Hamilton this week, and now progress to the national final at the Science Centre in November, after being placed in the top three teams! Well done! Thank you to Mr Prentice for organising our participation in the event.

**B Lee**

**P BGE Sports Champions!**

Well done to all students who competed in our School Sports events last week (and the javelin competition on Monday). House points were awarded for participation and for winning each event, and after a close competition with different House winners in each year group, the Sports Cup this year was won by Kerse House! Congratulations!

Our Sports Champions were also recognised at a special assembly on Thursday morning:

- S1 Girls – 1. Amirah Thomson; 2. Emily Duffy; 3. Poppy Sutters
- S1 Boys – 1. Charlie Clark; 2. Rory McGeachie; 3. Harris Robertson
- S2 Girls – 1. Grace Mitchell; 2. Kyla Fox; 3. Zoe Gormley
- S2 Boys – 1. Lennox Logan; 2. Scott Maquilang; 3. Harvey Anderson
- S3 Girls – 1. Ana Muldoon; 2. Macey McDougall; 3. Eowyn Inch
- S3 Boys – 1. Kyle Wilson; 2. Sam Wailes; 3. Joash Moos
- IST Girls – 1. Katie Maire
- IST Boys – 1. Riley Brady; 2. Owen Turner; 3. Ted Lennox

Congratulations to all winners and all who took part! Thank you to our PE department for organising and to everyone who helped to make Sports Day and inter-house sports events a great success throughout the year.

**B Lee**

**P DofE Bronze and Silver Practice and Qualifying Expeditions**

Our Bronze DofE Practice walk takes place on Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> May, when students will walk part of the Clyde Walkway. Thank you to Rev. Anderson and all at Dalserf Church for affording us the use of their hall as a meeting point at the end of the expedition.

In June, our Bronze Groups will complete their Qualifying Expedition in Dumfriesshire, and our Silver Groups will complete their Practice walk in Inverclyde, then their Qualifying Expedition in South Ayrshire.

Good luck to all who are taking part! Thank you to our DofE Staff team led by Mr Rivans, Ms Forbes, Ms Ferguson, Mrs Lockens Mrs Singer, Mrs Goulding and Mrs Barr, who have supported our students with their expedition preparation and completion of their volunteering, skills and physical sections throughout the year. Special thanks to our Parent Council, OnPath Kype Muir Community Fund and everyone who has helped with fundraising in support of our DofE groups.

**B Lee**

**P New Timetable**

Our new timetable begins on Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> June for all students. Timetables for new S2-4 students were issued at Tutor time on Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> May. Timetables for new S5 and S6 were issued at the S5/6 Induction Day on Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> May. Any students who were absent on these days should collect their timetable from their Tutor Teacher. Students should speak to Mrs Cimmino if they have any questions about their timetable.

**B Lee**

**P S1 and S3 Catch-up Immunisation Day**

There will be an opportunity for S1 and S3 students who missed recent immunisation days to meet with the Immunisation Team on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Please speak to Mr Robertson if you have any questions about the arrangements.

**B Lee**

- P Prize Giving**  
Prize Giving takes place on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June, commencing at 7 pm, in the Games Hall. We look forward to celebrating the achievements of our students in a range of fields and recognising their commitment and effort throughout session 2025-26. Thank you to our Prize Giving Committee, led by Mrs Wright, for all their hard work in organising the celebration.  
**B Lee**
- P Girls' Football Summer Cup**  
Good luck to our girls' football team who travel to Hamilton Palace Sports Ground on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> June, to participate in the Girls Secondary Football Summer Cup!  
**B Lee**
- P Next Gen and Accelerate Programmes**  
Good luck to all students who are participating in the Next Gen Careers Day at Wishaw General Hospital on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> June, and to those who have secured places on the University of Strathclyde Accelerate programme in Week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> June or 22<sup>nd</sup> June. Both provide excellent opportunities to prepare students for post-school destinations. Please speak to Ms Forbes (Biology) if you have any questions about the Next Gen Careers events or to Mr Mallaghan for information about the Accelerate Programme.  
**B Lee**
- P Prom**  
S6 are looking forward to their Prom on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> June, at the Radstone Hotel. Thank you to the Prom Committee for all their hard work in organising the event.  
**B Lee**
- P P7 Transition Days and Parents' Meeting**  
We look forward to welcoming our new S1 students on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> June for their Transition Visit days. Students will have the opportunity to meet with their Pupil Support Teacher and some of their class teachers, as well as following part of their August timetable.  
Our P7 Parents' Meeting will take place on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> June, which will provide an opportunity for parents and carers to meet with the Extended Support Team. We look forward to welcoming parents/carers to this event.  
Please speak to Mr Robertson, Year Head and P7 Transitions Coordinator, if you have any questions.  
**B Lee**
- P County Sports**  
Good luck to all students who are participating in the County Sports Heats in East Kilbride on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> June! The finals take place the following week, on Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> June. Please see Mr Ross for further information.  
**B Lee**
- P IMS Showcase**  
The Instrumental Music Service Showcase takes place on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> June, at Hamilton Town House. Well done to all students who are participating in this event. Thank you to the Music Department and our Instrumental Music Tutors for supporting our students throughout the year.  
**B Lee**
- P S3 Public Speaking Competition – Scottish Semi-Final**  
Well done to Jamie Cranstoun and Sam Wailes who progress to the national final of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Public Speaking Competition on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> June after delivering an excellent speech and answering questions about the impact of slavery in the latest head against Wallace High School. Well done Jamie and Sam!  
**B Lee**

- P Show Racism the Red Card Workshop**  
S1 students will have the opportunity to participate in a Show Racism the Red Card workshop on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> (9 - 10.30 am) or Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> June (9 - 10.30 am, 11.45 - 1.15 pm, or 2 - 3.30 pm).
- B Lee**
- P Chaplaincy Team Meeting**  
Our Chaplaincy Team will meet on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> June, from 12.30 - 1.15 pm in the SMT Room to plan our Chaplaincy Assemblies for Session 2026-27. Please speak to Mrs Wright, Mr Anderson, Mrs Baillie, Miss Kilday or Miss Lee if you would like to attend the meeting or if you'd like to share any feedback or ideas to help plan the programme.  
Our Chaplaincy Team members are: Rev. Morag Garrett (Minister, Coalburn and Lesmahagow Church), Rev. George Lind (Kirkmuirhill Parish Church), Mrs. Helen Duffy (Session Clerk, Coalburn and Lesmahagow Church), Mr. Bob Baillie and Ms. Jean Lennox (Kirkmuirhill Church), Mr. Daniel Monday (Clydesdale Christian Youth Trust), school staff - Mrs Wright, Mr Anderson, Mrs Baillie, Miss Kilday and Miss Lee, Pupil Council representatives and volunteer students.
- B Lee**
- P New Opportunity for S5 students**  
Applications have opened for the New World, New Skills Work Experience programme offered by PwC, a paid work experience programme to provide young people from lower socio-economic backgrounds with a snapshot of life at PwC. The programme runs from Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August. For further information, see: <https://www.pwc.co.uk/careers/early-careers/entry-level/new-world-new-skills.html>
- B Lee**
- P Exceptional School Closure - Monday 15 June 2026**  
The Scottish Government has formally approved South Lanarkshire Council's request for an exceptional school closure on Monday 15 June 2026, in recognition of the Scotland men's national football team's success in the World Cup and the additional public holiday previously agreed by the Council. The school will therefore be closed on Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2026.
- B Lee**
- P Feedback Requested from Parents and Carers on Skills Development Scotland's (SDS) career service**  
Skills Development Scotland would like feedback from parents and carers on their career service. Please take part in this [short survey](#). Parents and carers are key influencers over young people's career ambitions and choices.  
All responses are confidential and anonymous, and the results will be used to inform SDS services.  
The survey should only take about 10 to 15 minutes to complete. Please respond by 31<sup>st</sup> May.
- 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 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=IwVERTSANL4E1leHRuA2FibQIxMAABHll0CYum4LI2x\\_3OXqYOBqQYjpr6DsAJ\\_OQEfpuxKXID9PA5\\_VwjX89-Y\\_qb\\_aem\\_Yj\\_d\\_USx5PWGbXcpR2lijQ](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=IwVERTSANL4E1leHRuA2FibQIxMAABHll0CYum4LI2x_3OXqYOBqQYjpr6DsAJ_OQEfpuxKXID9PA5_VwjX89-Y_qb_aem_Yj_d_USx5PWGbXcpR2lijQ)

**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 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](mailto: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**