

# Lesmahagow High School



## **P7 Parents' Information Evening** *Journey to Lesmahagow*

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# Purpose of this evening

1. To introduce the Support Team (Pupil Support and Support for Learning) so you know your point of contact at the school.
2. To offer an update on our Transition Programme – *‘Journey to Lesmahagow’*.
3. To offer some additional information to prepare pupils and parents/carers for Secondary School life.
4. To give you the opportunity to ask any questions.

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# Welcome from our School Captains



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# Senior Management Team



Miss Lee- *Acting* HT

Mrs Wright – *Acting*  
DHT

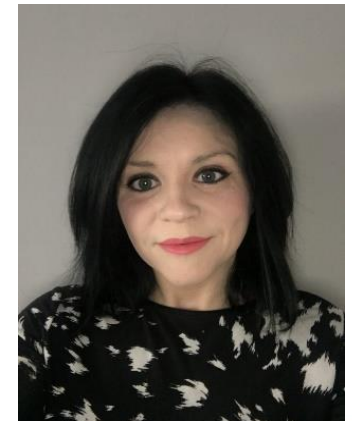


Mr Gray - DHT



Mr Robertson - DHT

Mrs Docherty - DHT



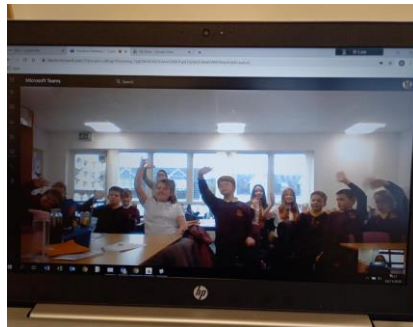
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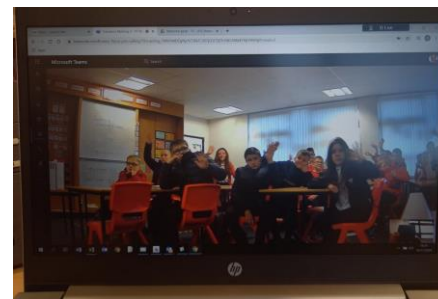
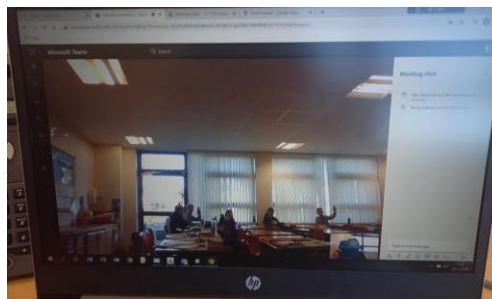
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# Head Teacher's Welcome



Miss Lee



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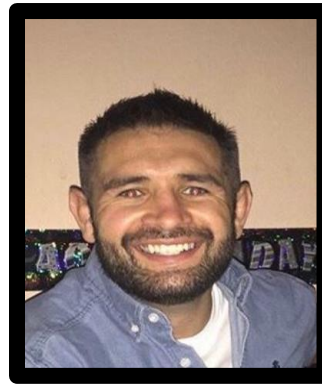
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# Pupil Support

The Principal Teachers of Pupil Support are:



Mr Mallaghan  
Kerse House



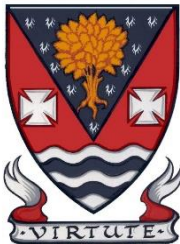
Mr Hill  
Logan House



Mr Robson  
Milton House

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# Support for Learning

The Principal Teachers of Support for Learning are:



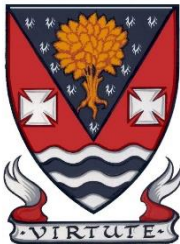
Mrs Storry



Mrs Laird

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# Support for Learning Department



We have 2 Principal Teachers of Support for Learning. Please feel free to email them if you have any questions about a Support for Learning issue.

Hazel Laird PT SFL (all week) [gw07lairdhazel2@glow.sch.uk](mailto:gw07lairdhazel2@glow.sch.uk)

Morag Story PT SFL (Monday/Tuesday) [gw20storrymorag@glow.sch.uk](mailto:gw20storrymorag@glow.sch.uk)

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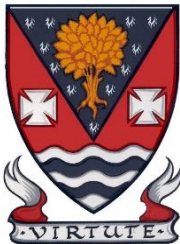


# School Information

- School Roll - 538
- Teaching Staff Roll - over 50 teaching staff
- Lesmahagow High School serves the villages of Lesmahagow, Auchenheath, Blackwood, Coalburn, Hawksland, Kirkmuirhill and the areas surrounding each village.
- Vision: *Aspire to be our best*
- Values: *Respect, Honesty, Ambition, Resilience and Equity*

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# The School Day

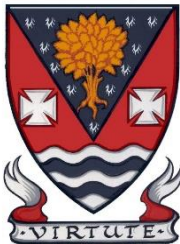
Our school day is different from our Primary Schools.. Each day will begin promptly with tutor time at 8.40. finishing at 3.35 Monday to Thursday and 12.30 on Friday.

Monday - Thursday	
Period	Time
Tutor Time	08.40-08.50am
1	08.50-09.40am
2	09.40-10.30am
3	10.30-11.20am
Interval	11.20-11.35am
4	11.35-12.25pm
5	12.25-13.15pm
Lunch	13.15-13.55pm
6	13.55-14.45pm
7	14.45-15.35pm

Friday	
Period	Time
Tutor Time	08.40-08.50am
1	08.50-09.40am
2	09.40-10.30am
Interval	10.30-10.50am
3	10.50-11.40pm
4	11.40-12.30pm

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# The School Day

- August 2021
  - Intervals and lunches will be the same for all S1-3
  - Friday – S1-3 will have their interval at 11:20am
- The school week will run on an 'odd' and 'even' week rotation:
  - Week 1 – Odd – Period 1 followed by double periods of 3, 5 and 7
  - Week 2 – Even – Period 1 followed by double periods of 2, 4 and 6.
- S1-3 will be dismissed from school at 3:30pm to reduce volume of pupils in corridors at one time.
- Caveat – Covid changes

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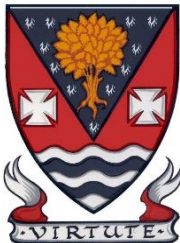
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# What August will look like:

- Pupils should arrive for the school day starting promptly at **8.40am** and wait on the netball court at the front of the school.
- S1 pupils will have an assembly in the street where they should sit in house groups, after the assembly, Pupil Support teachers will take S1 pupils to PSE/Tutor classes where they will be issued with their timetables.
  - All S1 pupils will have two induction days to help them settle into the school and get used to the building and their new classmates.
- S1 pupils will initially **not be allowed** out of the school during lunchtime nor to leave the school grounds at interval.
  - lunch can be purchased during lunch time or pre-ordered using the Fusion App (menu can be found here as well).

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# What August will look like - cont...

- Senior guides will help take the pupils to and from classes for the first couple of days and they will be allowed to leave class a few minutes early before interval and lunch.
- Induction days will allow pupils to follow part of their timetable with additional activities for team building, mindfulness and group tasks.
- PE times for S1:
  - 1L2 and 1 M – Tuesday – periods 4 and 5
  - 1K and 1L1 – Thursday - periods 6 and 7
- Do not worry if you get lost, just ask!

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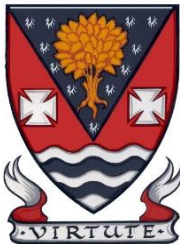
# Transition – What next?

The following events are due to take place during the summer term:

- Pupil Leadership Team meeting primary classes
- Friday afternoon visits
- Google classrooms – update with info / tasks
- S1 pupils meet their previous school peers
- Spotlight Presentations
- Sharing of S1 Classes (this week)
- Final *Support for Learning* meeting between staff
- SMT visits (ongoing)
- S1 Profile – *All About Me*

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# Additional opportunities / clubs...

- The school have an array of additional opportunities for young people to engage with. These include:
  - Sports clubs – rugby, football, volleyball etc.
  - Interval and Lunch clubs
  - Mindfulness groups
  - Expressive Arts groups – Musical Theatre
  - FairTrade Group
  - Pupil Council
  - ESAS Action Group, LGBTI group
  - Rights Respecting Schools Group
  - and many more...

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# Curriculum

## Mrs Wright

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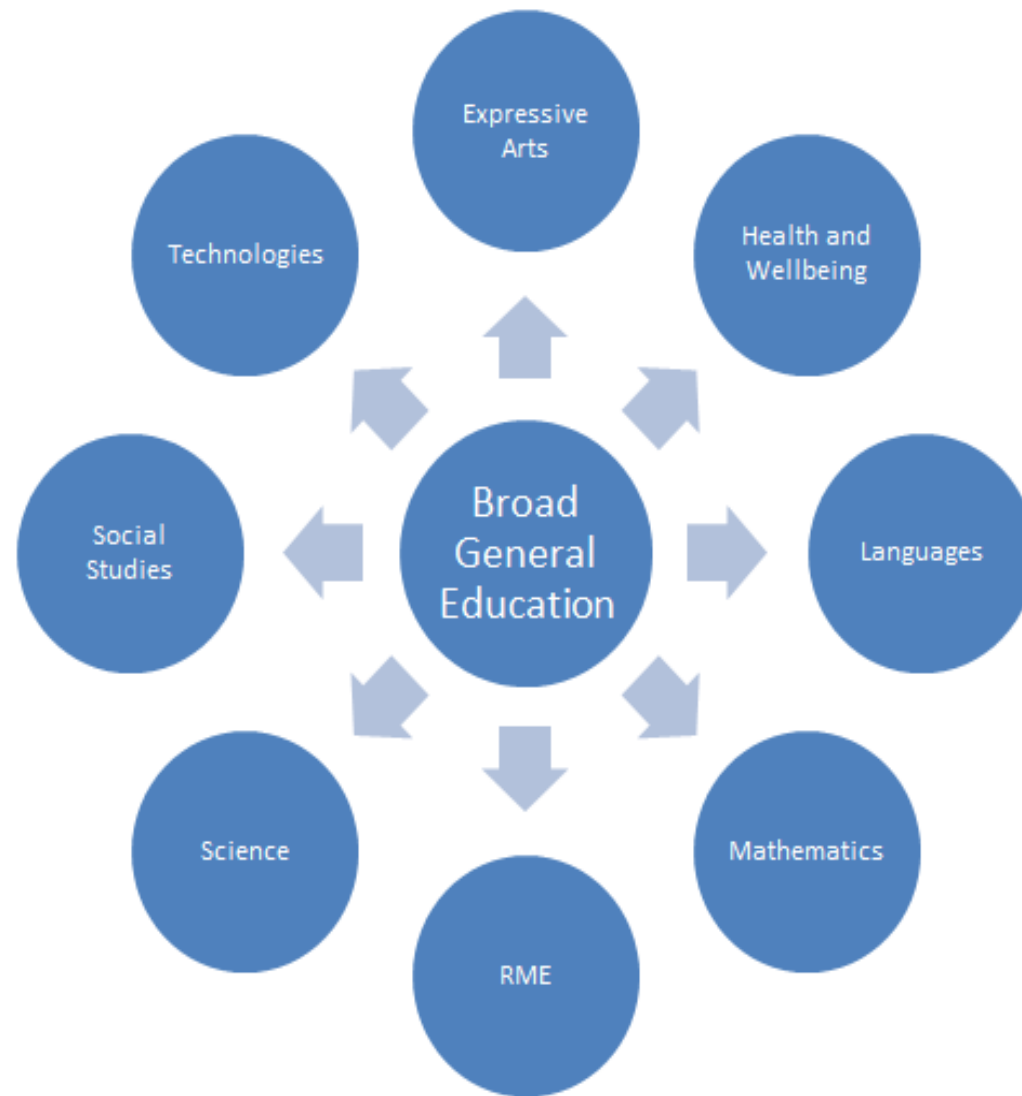
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# S1 - S3: Broad General Education



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Subject

# S1 Timetable

Teacher

	TUTOR	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<b>Monday</b>	Tutor Time CfE Mrs Jack	History Rotation CfE Mr Rae A202	English CfE Mrs Quinn A108	Mathematics CfE Miss Melvin B104	Technological Studies CfE Mr Campbell A004	IT Rotation CfE Mrs Forbes B210	Modern Languages CfE Ms Tully A201	Music CfE Mr Stirling B004
<b>Tuesday</b>	Tutor Time CfE Mrs Jack	Mathematics CfE Miss Melvin B104	History CfE Mr Rae A206	RMPS Core CfE Mrs Smith A208	Technological Studies CfE Mr Campbell A004	Science CfE Dr Brand B206	Home Economics CfE Mrs Miller A109	Home Economics CfE Mrs Miller A109
<b>Wednesday</b>	Tutor Time CfE Mrs Jack	Drama CfE Miss Clark B103	Art & Design CfE Mrs Ritchie B110	Science CfE Miss Forbes B202	Modern Studies CfE Miss Fletcher A207	English CfE Mrs Quinn A108	Modern Languages CfE Ms Tully A201	Mathematics CfE Miss Melvin B104
<b>Thursday</b>	Tutor Time CfE Mrs Jack	English CfE Mr Mallaghan A104	Personal & Social Education CfE Ms Wright A105	Information Technology CfE Mrs Wilson B108	Mathematics CfE Miss Melvin B104	Geography CfE Miss Leckenby A205	Physical Education CfE Mrs Winning A205	Physical Education CfE Mrs Winning A205
<b>Friday</b>	Tutor Time CfE Mrs Jack	English CfE Mrs Quinn A108	Music CfE Mrs Robertson Cheyne B005	Science CfE Dr Brand B206	Drama CfE Miss Clark B103			

**Classroom  
number**

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# Uniform

The uniform for Lesmahagow High School is:

- Plain black blazer with school badge
- Plain white collared shirt or blouse
- School tie
- Plain black trousers or skirt
- Plain v-neck jumper or cardigan without logos
- Plain black footwear (including laces)

The following items are **NOT** acceptable:

- Jeans or clothing with jean-like material
- Hoodies including zippers
- Football colours/tops
- Baseball caps
- Tracksuits or jogging trousers/sportswear
- Leggings
- Denim jackets

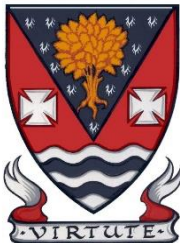


**Our blazer supplier is  
Scotcrest, who are based  
in Hamilton  
([www.scotcrestschools.co.uk](http://www.scotcrestschools.co.uk))**

**Further info can be found in transition booklet**

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# Transport

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# Transport

Free school transport is provided for secondary school pupils who live two miles or more away from the catchment secondary school by the shortest safe walking route.



You need to apply in advance of your child starting at LHS through the South Lanarkshire Council website. All school transport information, including the online application form can be found at the following address:

[https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200186/primary\\_school\\_information/545/school\\_transport](https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200186/primary_school_information/545/school_transport)

If you are unable to access this online service, then please contact the school transport helpline on 0303 123 1023.

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# Auchenheath (South Kirkmuirhill)

	Proposed Boarding/Alighting Points/Areas	Estimated Number of Pupils	Boarding Times		Alighting Times	
			Preferred	Acceptable	Preferred	Acceptable
1	AUCHENHEATH	5	08:05	08:00/08:10	16:10	16:05/16:15
2	BUS STOP HOPE RD BEFORE SCOTT ST	14	08:15	08:10/08:20	16:00	15:55/16:05
3	BUS STOPS SCOTT ST OPP BURN RD & AFTER WALLACE ST	18	08:17	08:12/08:22	15:58	15:53/16:03
4	BUS STOP VERE RD BEFORE STRATHAVEN RD	33	08:20	08:15/08:25	15:55	15:50/16:00

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# Letham Farm

	Proposed Boarding/Alighting Points/Areas	Estimated Number of Pupils	Boarding Times		Alighting Times	
			Preferred	Acceptable	Preferred	Acceptable
1	LETHAM FARM, LAPUS RD	2	08:18	08:13/08:23	15:57	15:52/16:02
2	MID GARNGOUR & GARNGOUR LODGE AREA	2	08:25	08:20/08:30	15:50	15:45/15:55

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# Leevale

	Proposed Boarding/Alighting Points/Areas	Estimated Number of Pupils	Boarding Times		Alighting Times	
			Preferred	Acceptable	Preferred	Acceptable
1	LEEVALE, GREENRIG RD	2	08:07	08:02/08:12	16:08	16:03/16:13
2	LOW BORELAND FARM & THE BEECHES COTTAGE	2	08:15	08:10/08:20	16:00	15:55/16:05
3	DRUMBRAXHILL RD AREA	3	08:20	08:15/08:25	15:55	15:50/16:00
4	CORSEBANK, DEVONBURN RD	1	08:22	08:17/08:27	15:53	15:48/15:58

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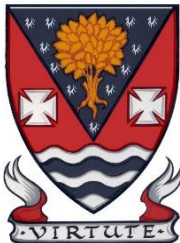


# Blackwood

	Proposed Boarding/Alighting Points/Areas	Estimated Number of Pupils	Boarding Times		Alighting Times	
			Preferred	Acceptable	Preferred	Acceptable
1	BUS STOP CARLISLE RD BEFORE HEATHFIELD DR AT SOUTHFIELD HOTEL	65	08:12	08:07/08:17	16:03	15:58/16:08
2	BUS STOP CARLISE RD WEST OF HEATHFIELD DR	1	08:15	08:10/08:20	16:00	15:55/16:05
3	OUTSIDE BLACKWOOD COMMUNITY WING/ THE SHOP SMART STORE CARLISE RD	34	08:16	08:11/08:21	15:59	15:54/16:04

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# Vere Road (Kirkmuirhill)

	Proposed Boarding/Alighting Points/Areas	Estimated Number of Pupils	Boarding Times		Alighting Times	
			Preferred	Acceptable	Preferred	Acceptable
1	BUS STOP VERE RD AT BOWLING GREEN	10	08:11	08:06/08:16	16:04	15:59/16:09
2	BUS STOP VERE RD AFTER BRAESIDE CREST	19	08:14	08:09/08:19	16:01	15:56/16:06
3	BUS STOP VERE RD BEFORE THORNTON RD	11	08:17	08:12/08:22	15:58	15:53/16:03
4	BUS STOP THORNTON RD OPP KNOWEKNACK TERR	7	08:20	08:15/08:25	15:55	15:50/16:00

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# Parent Council



**Vicky O'Rourke**  
**Vice - Chair**  
**Parent Council**

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# Parent Council – Meeting Dates

- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October
- Wed 10<sup>th</sup> November
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January
- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February
- Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March
- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May

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# General Information

- **Parent Pay** is used for purchasing school lunches and for all trips therefore it is extremely important that parents sign up to it. Further information will be made available in August.
- It is vital that we have **up to date contact details** including mobile numbers and email addresses. An annual data check form will be issued in August. Please continue to make us aware of any further changes throughout the year.
- If applicable, please make sure you (re)apply for any clothing grants, free meal entitlement and school transport. This is available now and should be completed online on the South Lanarkshire website.

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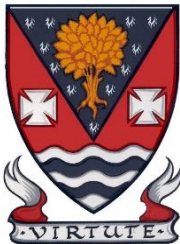


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# Contact

We want to hear from you, so if there are any issues or concerns, please contact your child's pupil support teacher (in the first instance) via the school office on **01555 896010** or [office@lesmahagow.s-lanark.sch.uk](mailto:office@lesmahagow.s-lanark.sch.uk)



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# Further Information

The school will regularly communicate with you via letter, text message, through social media and the school app. Copies of all communications with parents will also be available on the school website.

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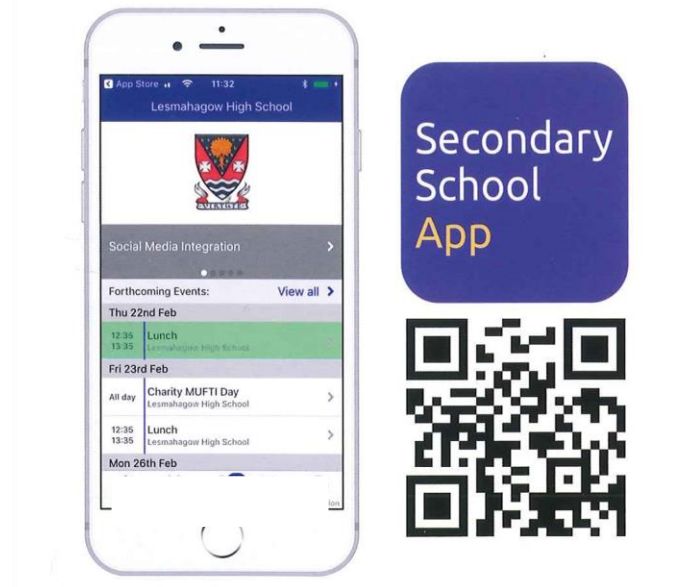
- Twitter Post:** A tweet from @LesmahagowHigh with a yellow highlight on the handle. The tweet includes a poster for the 'Young Musician of the Year' competition, scheduled for Monday 5th June at 7.00pm. Tickets are £4, and concessions are £2.
- Facebook Post:** A post from Lesmahagow High School (@LesmahagowH...) announcing P7 Visit Days for tomorrow and Wednesday. It includes a blue starburst graphic with the word 'Transition!' in orange.
- Facebook Post:** Another post from Lesmahagow High School (@LesmahagowH...) wishing everyone a lovely weekend and good luck to senior pupils sitting SQA exams.
- Calendar:** A small calendar snippet showing the dates 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31.
- School Logo:** The Lesmahagow High School crest, featuring a shield with a cross and the motto 'VIRTUTE'.

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# School App

All family members can keep in touch with events and news as well as receive important messages from the school by downloading the school app. It is free to download from the Apple App Store and Google Play Store. Scan the QR code or search for 'SSA' or 'SSA secondaryschoolapp', and once the app is open, search for 'Lesmahagow High School when prompted.

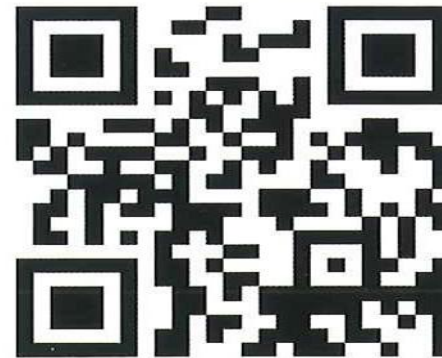
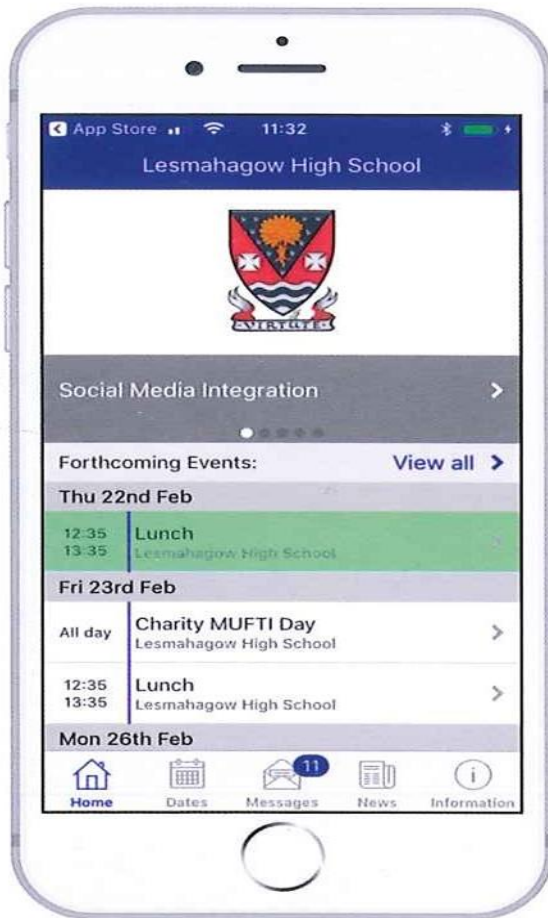


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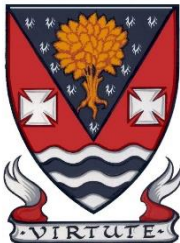


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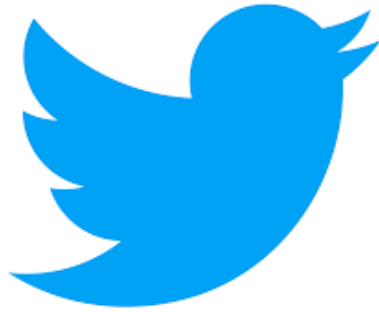
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# Twitter

We share lots of news, information and pupil achievements through our Twitter platform. P7 Transition info will also be shared here.



**@lesmahagowhigh**

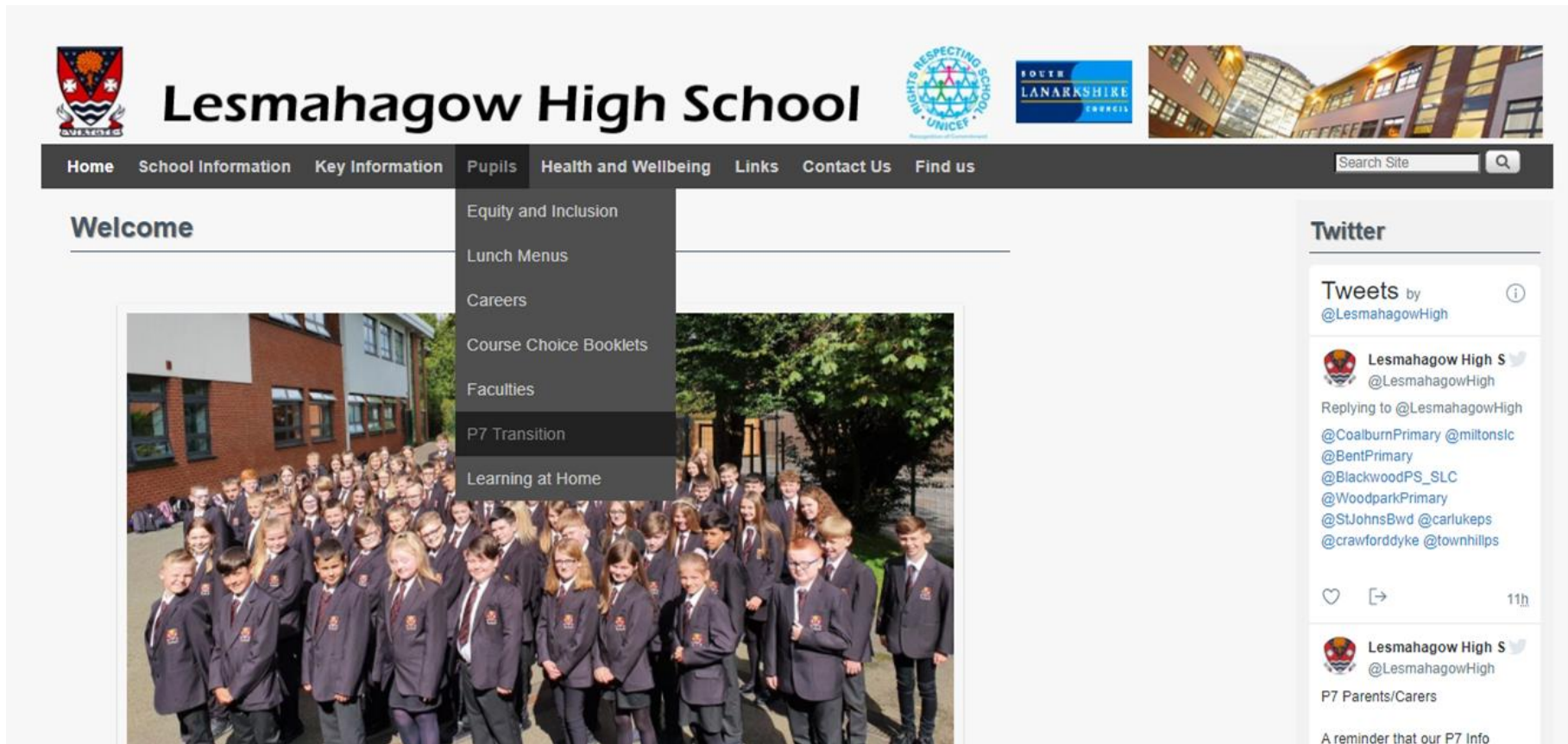


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# P7 Transition Webpage



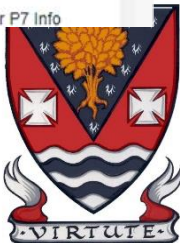
The screenshot shows the Lesmahagow High School website. The header includes the school crest, the name 'Lesmahagow High School', and logos for UNICEF and the Youth of Lanarkshire Council. A navigation bar contains links: Home, School Information, Key Information, Pupils, Health and Wellbeing, Links, Contact Us, and Find us. A search bar is on the right. The 'Pupils' menu is open, showing options: Equity and Inclusion, Lunch Menus, Careers, Course Choice Booklets, Faculties, P7 Transition, and Learning at Home. The main content area features a large photo of a group of P7 students in school uniforms. On the right, there is a Twitter feed with tweets from @LesmahagowHigh, including one replying to @LesmahagowHigh and another mentioning P7 Parents/Carers.

<http://www.lesmahagow.s-lanark.sch.uk/p7-transition/>

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# Evaluation

- Information Evening Evaluation Form:  
<https://forms.gle/swwEmv2hGeCJ9ZjM9>
- What can we do to improve our transition meetings in the future?



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# QUESTIONS



## P7 Transition Google Form

<https://forms.gle/AhVHjJmiqmDPk7768>



### LHS P7 Transition Question Form

Lesmahagow High School staff would like to ensure your child's transition from primary to secondary school runs as smoothly as possible. We know that current school closures have brought about various challenges, but please be assured that we continue to operate behind the scenes to ensure we provide the best possible virtual transition for your child.

We are keen to hear from you, answer any questions you may have, and ultimately reassure you and your family about the transition process.

Please complete the form below and we will get back to you shortly.

Mr D Robertson - [qw10robertsondavid8@glow.sch.uk](mailto:qw10robertsondavid8@glow.sch.uk)  
Mrs P Docherty - [qw19dochertypamela@glow.sch.uk](mailto:qw19dochertypamela@glow.sch.uk)

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