3<sup>rd</sup>June 2024

# **Pupil Notice**

#### Ρ SQA Exams

Well done to all Senior Phase students who completed exams and coursework during the six week SQA exam diet. Mr Boag, Chief Invigilator, and his team were very impressed by the conduct and politeness of the students throughout the exam period and hopes their results match their endeavours.

Exam results day is Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> August. If any student has any questions regarding their results, staff will be in school on 6<sup>th</sup> August to offer support and congratulations.

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Ρ Induction Days

It has been lovely to welcome our new S5 and new S6 students back to school for Induction Days on Thursday and Friday of this week. New S5 and S6 students will also participate in workshops with 'Live'N'Learn' on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> June, to support their preparation for the year ahead.

#### Ρ Sports Day 2024

Well done and thank you to everyone who took part in our 2024 Sports Day. The weather was lovely and everyone enjoyed the events. Thank you to the Health and Wellbeing Faculty and all former students who supported the day. B Lee

Royal Concert Hall on Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June! Well done for being invited to perform in this concert.

Ρ **RSNO** Young Creatives Concert Good luck to Sophie Ward, who will be performing in the RSNO Young Creatives Concert at the

#### Ρ New Timetable

Our new timetable begins on Monday, 3rd June. Timetables have been shared by Tutor Teachers and Principal Teachers of Pupil Support this week. Please see Mrs Cimmino if you have any questions regarding timetables.

### Ρ Graeme Armstrong Visit On Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June we welcome author Graeme Armstrong to our school to address new S4.

#### Ρ Assemblies

Year Group assemblies will take place in Week beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> June, starting with new S2 on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> June.

#### Ρ 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!

#### Ρ S3 Parents' Evening

Thank you to all parents and carers who joined us for S3 Parents' Evening on Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> May. It was lovely to see everyone.

#### **New Vision and Values** Ρ

On Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June, we launch our updated Lesmahagow High School Vision, Values, Standards and Expectations!

Vision - Together we Learn; Together we Achieve; Together we Succeed Values - CARE - Commitment - Ambition - Resilience - Equity Standards and Expectations - Be Prepared, Be Engaged, Be Respectful

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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:

Further information will be shared in assemblies and in our newsletter.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the consultation process and to the Vision, Values, Standards and Expectations Working Group for coordinating this important work for our school community.

The Consultation Outcome report on the proposal to alter the qualifying distance for school secondary school transport from 2 miles to 3 miles has been published and can be accessed at: Secondary school transport - consultation - South Lanarkshire Council. The report will be submitted to the council's Executive Committee for decision on 7<sup>th</sup> August.

#### Ρ 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.

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#### Ρ **ParentsPortal**

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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. Further information can be found in the Parent letter issued last session at: http://www.lesmahagow.s-lanark.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Information-Letter-toparents-and-carers.pdf Please contact the school office if you require any further information.

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#### Ρ '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

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.

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#### **Statutory Transport Consultation Update** Ρ

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.

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#### Uniform Ρ

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).

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School uniform <u>https://forms.gle/AWcqcQ7seyd5c91i9</u> 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.

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## 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  $\pounds$ 500 (if going to college/university) or  $\pounds$ 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: <u>connect2renewables@southlanarkshire.co.uk</u> 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.

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### 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.

### 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.

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