

Christmas Newsletter

Madras College Newsletter

December 2015

Rector's Message

The term began with the school's self-evaluation of our 2015 SQA exam results, detailed in the Education Scotland "Insight" system. I am very pleased to report that in every single key measure the school recorded increased attainment – in all of our S4, S5 and S6 measures. Indeed the improvement in S5 Higher results was a staggering increase of approximately 6% in all measures to record 66% of pupils gaining 1+ Highers, 44% gaining 3+ Highers and an impressive 28% gaining 5+ Highers. The cumulative record of our results not only placed us best in Fife but placed us 26th in Scotland (as reported in the Sunday Times Top 50 Schools in Scotland – 22nd November 2015) from a previous no show in this comparator. I can only say well done indeed to all of our pupils, staff and you the parent/ carers.

Throughout the term we have been working on improvements to our curriculum provision with the most notable being in the S5/S6 timetable for our 'Activities' columns on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. We have introduced a much tighter set of options for pupils to support extra qualifications or improved study arrangements. Some of this provision has included the options of a full first-aid qualification (delivered by 'Skillforce' provider), Girls into Energy National 5 (delivered by Fife College) and Higher Statistics Units (delivered by Madras staff) to name but a few. We hope to consolidate and improve on this initiative next session and are very pleased with the uptake and positive impact we have seen this session.

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Christmas Toy Drive



For the last few weeks, pupils in Kilrymont Road have been collecting toys to give to underprivileged children in Fife. The pupils of S1-S3 were told of the idea in Assemblies, where Depute Rectors Mr Darge and Mrs Robertson asked them to imagine a Christmas without a single present. The response to the appeal was incredible with parents, carers and pupils themselves collecting a staggering amount of toys and Christmas gifts. Thanks to all who supported this very worthwhile cause and helped to make someone's Christmas a little better.

Fundraiser for Mr Gs MND

A member of the Home Economics Department made this beautiful Christmas Cake to raffle as part of Mr Gs MND fundraising. The cake was on display at the Christmas Concert and raffle tickets were sold at 50p each. A total of £91 was raised for this worthwhile cause.



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In November we developed a draft edition of the Madras Numeracy Policy (and Toolkit) which was given out for consultation and has now been finalised as policy (and can be accessed on our website or by contact with the school office). This policy (and Toolkit) demonstrates a common approach for the eight numeracy organisers to be used across the school. We hope it will be a valuable source of information for pupils and parent/carers.

In October/November Mr Darge and myself (ably supported by a group of excellent pupils) visited our cluster primary schools in our annual 'Roadshow' programme of visits to the P7 parent/carers. In these visits we outlined 'what is important' Madras. our expectations standards as well as a brief transition timeline. The best part of these meetings as always was the delivery by the Madras pupils of their experiences at Madras for the P7 pupils to hear first-hand. The evaluations of the Roadshows were very positive and included some very kind words of comment from the audiences.

In the October break we held our first ever 'October School' for S4, S5 and S6 pupils to come in to do extra study during the October holiday. This initiative was well received by many pupils with 70 plus pupils attending on almost every day.

We are now at the end of term and are busy with parties, concert, assessments and UCAS applications, all very hectic but always enjoyable. We are very pleased with the start to the session, with the support from our pupils to learning, to activities and to charity drives. I am, as ever, very grateful to all our staff and pupil office bearers who work very hard to support learning and the school.

And finally, I hope you have a happy and not too hectic festive break and I wish you all a Merry Christmas and prosperous New Year.

David P. Michurz.

Politics -London Trip



The Madras College Politics class of 2015 ventured to London in November on a quest to enhance their knowledge of how the United Kingdom is run.

The trip involved a guided tour and workshop of Westminster, where they were given the opportunity to observe a live debate in the House of Commons, which was helpful in building on their knowledge for their end of year exams.



In the afternoon, they went on a cruise down the Thames commentated by a true London lad whilst taking in the views of London.

The afternoon was finished with learning of the growing importance of The Supreme Court during a guided tour – the group were delighted to grab a 'selfie' in the judge's chairs.

The Group finished their night with a trip around the popular Covent Gardens. Whilst the pupils delved into the designer shops, Mr Robertson and Mrs Ham enjoyed a well-deserved coffee.



On Saturday the group finished their trip with a visit to the Churchill War Rooms and Whitehall before catching the train back up to Fife.

The picture shows the group inside Parliament Hall where everyone from the Pope to Barack Obama and Nelson Mandela has addressed both houses of Parliament.

Samey Ling Buddhist Monastery



In November, 12 pupils from the National 5/Higher/Advanced Higher Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies classes accompanied Mrs Matheson and Mr Dagless to Samye Ling Buddhist Monastery in Dumfriesshire. We were given a tour of the monastery, including expert teaching from one of the lay Buddhists and were able to talk to a nun who told us about her work with the charity ROKPA, an organisation which works in Tibet. We were given some instruction on meditation and some brave pupils even managed to get out of bed in time for the 6.00 am meditation in the temple.

Physics Department News

• British Physics Olympiad

All 15 of the AH Physics class accepted the opportunity to take part in the BPO challenge paper. 'Challenge' was the correct word, mind-bending questions on topics not yet studied made even the most able minds Three pupils Hamish Ballantyne, Michael Sharp and Sophia Zomerdijk-Russell were selected to take part in the British Olympiad first round itself. Three hours and some more mind bending questions later their papers were sent off the Oxford University. We have just heard all three pupils achieved a 'commended'

• Scottish Space School



My journey to Houston, Texas under the auspices of the Scottish Space School was the most amazing experience ever. From the moment we touched down it was non-stop action. We met so many inspirational people and visited so many amazing places.

For me the best day was when we visited Rocket Park and got a tour of NASA's Johnstone Space Centre. We went behind the scenes and saw the functioning mission control and the Apollo mission control as well as the Neutral Buoyancy Lab astronauts train for space walks. I even got to ride a robotic car when we visited the robotics department! Another of my favourite things we did was meeting Gene Kranz, flight director of some of the Apollo Missions. Hearing his story of how he got his job and his experiences was truly inspirational. I will never forget his advice "Aim High" and that failure is not an option. In addition, going to an American football game, an airshow and meals and parties with NASA astronauts, engineers and scientists was just so cool. They all

shared with us how they got to where they are today and gave us advice for our futures.

Without a doubt the trip to Houston was the most amazing thing I have ever done. I have learned so much about space and the people that explore it and I definitely think that anyone who has an interest in STEM subjects and space should grasp this once in a lifetime experience and apply to Space School. I can guarantee you will enjoy every minute of it. PS: I am the one on the red phone!

Eilidh Smyth

• STEM Lecture

This year, Madras College was delighted to host the BAE and RAF STEM roadshow team. Their aim, to give young people an insight into engineering and the career prospect associated with it, was delivered through a very entertaining, interesting and educational interactive lecture to S2 physics pupils.

Second year pupils, Advanced Higher (AH) Physics pupils and teachers,

watched in amazement as Lachlan Tough (pictured below) demonstrated the effects of air current on a football.

The show which comprised of: air blasters, a bicycle with no suspension and even musical lightening; aimed to highlight the extent of engineering in everyday life, and it did just that, as the pupils watched in anticipation when Mrs Lindsay, Mr Sneddon and the AH pupils climbed onto the air bag to demonstrate the power of compressed air.

Madras College would like to thank the team for their fantastic show and look forward to seeing them again soon!

Glen Burnett and Romy Niven





As part of this year's Activities class in Drama 5th and 6th Year pupils took part in the country-wide Shakespeare for Schools Festival.

On November 17th Madras pupils performed 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' in Lochgelly Arts Theatre alongside competing schools from Fife. They produced a heartfelt, warm and wonderful production, beautifully crafted and acted. Our pupils received rapturous applause and praise from The Royal Shakespeare Company and audience.

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Ladies and Gentlemen, I give you The Madras Shakespeare Posse.



"The lunatic, the lover, and the poet are of imagination all compact" (*Theseus - A Midsummer Night's Dream Act 5*).



Musical Notes



Christmas Concert

The Concert took place on Thursday 10th December and the evening was a terrific showcase of Madras talent. Newport Primary School Cello players and Strathkinness Primary School Violinists were invited along to join in and the schools gave superb performances of Silent Night, Little Donkey and Auld Lang Syne. The programme included a huge variety of ensemble and solo items with the Wind Band, Junior String Orchestra, Junior Choir, Pipe Band, Mixed Choir, Junior Brass Ensemble, Senior Girls Choir, Higher Class, Staff Ensemble, Clarsach Group, Advanced Higher Class, S3 Ensemble, and Senior String Orchestra all giving very impressive performances.

Well done to Violin Soloist Sophie Pettegree S6 who played the piece, "Remembrances" from Schindler's List, Beth Pitkin S6 who played "Air" from Suite No 3 by Bach and Kristen McDowell in S1 who played a Piano solo "The River Flows in You". The evening was rounded off with all the choirs performing John Rutter's "Angels' Carol".

The evening also included the wonderful Christmas Market. This was organised by the Home Economics department, Enterprise Group and Mrs Montador who were selling beautiful Christmas decorations and tasty treats.

Beethoven Plus Composing Project

This term some music pupils have taken part in a composing Project called Beethoven Plus. The joint project was organised and sponsored by the University of St Andrews and the St Andrews Music Club. Professional musicians, Daniel Tong, Pianist and Krysha Osostowicz, Violinist worked with Madras pupils to compose a Theme and Variation based on Beethoven's "Ode to Joy". The pupils created three outstanding pieces and performed them to an audience in November.

National Youth Orchestra of Scotland Selection

Congratulations to Micah Scott in S5 who has recently been selected for the National Youth Orchestra of Scotland. This is a tremendous achievement and reflects Micah's talent, effort and dedication.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC EXAM SUCCESS

Congratulations to the following pupil who passed their recent music exams

Philippa Holmes	Grade 1 Violin	passed with Merit
Olivia Sherret	Grade 1 Violin	passed
Amber Rendall	Grade 3 Piano	passed with Merit
Jed O'Donell	Grade 3 Violin	passed with Distinction
Soha Nabi	Grade 5 Piano	passed with Merit
Arran Tarvet	Grade 6 Piano	passed with Merit
Sophie Pettegree	Grade 8 Violin	passed with Merit
Elleanor Waddell	Grade 8 Bagpipes	passed with Distinction
Innes Little	Grade 5 Theory	passed with Distinction

Christmas Music In the Community

Senior Music pupils have been spreading some Christmas Cheer with their performances at Hope Park Church and St Andrews Community Hospital.

FP Girls Award Katie Grieve S3

As recipient of the FP Girl's Award for the highest mark in an external music performing exam, Katie Grieve entertained an appreciative audience with her playing at the Rufflets Hotel.

St Andrews and Fife Community Orchestra Concert

On 2nd December the school Wind Band performed at the Younger Hall in the STAFCO Christmas Concert. It was a great community event involving lots of other music ensembles. The Wind Band performed extremely well to a very enthusiastic audience.

Panto Knotted

The S5/6 Panto People will be presenting a newly devised pantomime - 'Knotted' on the 17th of December in the Assembly Hall, Kilrymont Road. The pupils have worked really hard - (Oh Yes They Have!) at creating a fun and entertaining evening including singing, dancing and lots of audience participation. We hope you enjoy the show!

Talent Show

In October, in front of a packed audience in Kilrymont Hall, The Annual Madras Talent Show took place. In aid of a number of charities, the standard was, as always, extremely high. Hosted by two talented S6 pupils Sean Samson and Nina Harvey, a variety of acts took part. The judges: Mr Wishart, Mrs Payne and drama student Ms Fox were extremely impressed by the talent of all the Madras pupils who took part.

The Kilrymont winners were Eugene Ritchie, Lawrence Brown and Peter Visocchi who performed 'Read my Mind' by the Killers. The South Street winners were Arin Beaver, Jack Parmar, Carmen Teppett and Eve McGladdery who performed 'Hallelujah'.

Library Update

We have had a busy term - especially at Kilrymont Road. Following the successful visit of Jonathan Meres in the summer, we were delighted to welcome author Guy Bass last month, as part of Book Week Scotland celebrations organised by Cultural Trust. Guy, who wrote the Head" popular "Stitch performed to a packed Assembly Hall of our S1 pupils, and visiting pupils and staff from our neighbours at Greyfriars Primary School. He held his audience spellbound and often in fits of laughter, as he shared some stories from his childhood, and then introduced us to his character, Stitchhead, and read extracts from his

We have just completed a 2-week Half -Price Bookfair, when the Library was buzzing throughout the day, including intervals and lunch times, with pupils looking at and talking about books with each other - and buying books at a great price! When we closed the Fair Parents' Evening 8th December, sales had totalled £1234! That means that books worth well over £2000 will be out and being read in our community Christmas!! We earn commission on sales, and ran a competition asking for nominations of books, from the selection we had been sent, to add to the Library stock, and are delighted that all the books which were requested by at least 2 people will be available to the pupils in the Library after Christmas, apart from one which we could not re-order! Many thanks to all who bought from the Bookfair, and to the team of helpers who made it possible!

Throughout the year we welcome a steady stream of pupils engaged in reading coming regularly (some daily!) to exchange their books, and to spend intervals and lunchtimes, or time after school, catching up with homework, reading, or to use the computers.

Geography Field Trip The Pennines

In September 2015, Madras Geography pupils S5/6 visited the Yorkshire Dales.

We set off from the school at 1 o'clock by bus. The journey was longer than expected due to the bus breaking down shortly after our stop at Gretna Green. After eventually arriving at the youth hostel we got to explore Hawes and try the local delicacy (deep fried Wensleydale cheese!).

The next day after breakfast we set off for White Scar Caves, in which we got to explore the caves guided by an expert who informed us of how the caves were found and created. After we had finished at the caves we journeyed to Grassington (a well-known honeypot village) for lunch and to carry out 'quality of life' surveys. After we had collected data we left for Swinden Quarry. At the quarry we were given a talk by a quarry worker, the talk consisted of information on how the quarry was formed, the conflicts it's faced/facing and the type of stone it is quarrying (limestone). After the talk we were taken in groups for a tour of the quarry and shown close up what really happens at Swinden.

On day two we headed for Malham, to explore surface limestone features. We walked to Jannets Fross, Gordale Scar, Malham Tarn, Watlowes Dry Valley and then to the very impressive limestone pavement above Malham Cove; indeed the cove itself is a geological marvel! After walking back into Malham where more surveys were taken, we then left for Hawes where we returned to the hostel and competed our work for the day. Later that night we got to venture through Hawes for the last time.

On the last day after packing we walked to the Wensleydale cheese factory where we were informed about the socio-economic impact that the industry has on the area, witnessed how cheese is made then finally got to sample the different varieties; a fitting end to a great trip!

Emily Findlay, Hannah Mason, Annabelle Johnston

Children in Need

On Thursday 12 November Junior pupils were allowed to pay £1 to come to school dressed in their pyjamas or onesies. There was a wide variety of funny PJs and animal onesies!

In South Street pupils paid £1 to come dressed as their favourite superhero!

This fundraising day was in aid of Children in Need. The school raised an impressive £908.92.

Maths News

The Christmas holidays will see the curtain fall on a very busy term for the Maths department. Once again our pupils have gained significant success in the many maths contests that have been entered this year. In the UKMT Senior Maths Challenge, Madras pupils gained a total of 1 Gold, 8 Silver and 16 Bronze certificates with Best in Year certificates being awarded to Kirsty Gowans (S5) and Rory Barnett (S6). Rory also qualified for the subsequent Senior Kangaroo contest and we eagerly await to hear how Rory faired in this very tough and prestigious mathematical challenge. The first round of the SMC puzzles once again proved popular and pupils have just been issued with the second and final set of puzzles in this contest.

Our Kilrymont pupils were recently given the opportunity to take part in a Fife-wide numeracy competition organised on the popular website, www.sumdog.com. Primary and Secondary pupils from across Fife were encouraged to log onto the site over the course of a week and complete as many numeracy questions as they could. In total our pupils answered over 17 000 questions between them but even this fantastic total was not enough to take the win. The next contest takes place after the New Year so keep your eyes peeled for information about this.

Our National 5, S4 pupils recently completed an extended test under exam conditions in the Assembly Hall to give them a flavour of what to expect come the final exam next May. To support the pupils in the build-up to this assessment staff have been giving up their free time to run many lunchtime and after-school study support sessions and masterclasses. The pupils who have been regularly attending these sessions and revising hard were rewarded with excellent results that bode well for next May.

This year, as well as running the new CfE Higher and Advanced Higher courses, the department offered all S5 and S6 pupils the opportunity to complete a stand-alone Higher Statistics unit. This unit has been designed to equip students with the necessary skills to present and interpret data and statistics in an appropriate and meaningful way, and addresses many of the skills Higher Education establishments felt pupils lacked as they embarked on university degrees and research studies. It is available to all pupils, irrespective of whether they also study Higher maths, and is relevant to all areas of study that needs data to be analysied. As part of the course work in this unit pupils attended a workshop at St Andrews University to let them see scientists using statistics to conduct important health research. Mr Gourlay, who accompanied the pupils, said: "The pupils have had a great day meeting people that use maths in ways they may not have previously considered possible. As well as having a fun and positive experience I think the students will take away the message that studying maths offers a wide variety of employment opportunities." Further information about this exciting event can be found

http://www.farrinstitute.org/news/144/2015-09-02/scottish-pupils-get-to-grips-with-international-health-research.html

Youth Achievement Award Sponsored Walk



On St Andrew's Day a small group of S4 and S5 pupils undertook a sponsored walk across country as part of a challenge towards their Bronze Youth Achievement Award. Having completed several practice walks, each pupil researched and chose a charity to raise money for and these included Cancer Research, Water Aid and Guide Dogs for the Blind.

The walk of over 20 km began in Cupar and ended at school in South Street, St Andrews. They went over the 'Moor Road' towards Ceres, through Wester Pitscottie, over Kinnimonth Hill and Drumcarrow before descending into St Andrews via Craigtoun Den and Lumbo, finally following the course of the Kinness Burn into town.

Football

• S1 Boy's Football Team

S1 Boys Football Team have progressed to the last 32 of the Scottish Cup having beaten both Monifieth and Arbroath High Schools in previous rounds.

The boys will face Balwearie High School from Kirkcaldy at Kilrymont early in the New Year.

• Girls' Football Team

Madras Girl's Football Team have played several fixtures against other schools also taking part in a tournament held at Beath High School where they competed well.

They have played Fife League fixtures v Glenrothes, St Andrews and Kirkcaldy High schools progressing and gaining in confidence after each outing against older girls.

There are several fixtures scheduled for the New Year and coaches, Mr Beaver and Mrs Baillie, are pleased with the development of the squad.

S2 Entrepreneurs Shine at the **Trade Fair**

All S2 pupils have been working in teams to create, run and manage a business enterprise, culmination of the project being the annual Christmas Trade Fair, held in Kilrymont Assembly Hall 1st December. Designed to teach the various aspects of business in an entrepreneurial context, each class was challenged to create a business, design and market a product, then sell, sell,

The awards were yet again hotly contested with this year's winners

Best Profit - Snow Storm (2R5), for earning the highest profit at the Trade



Snow Storm

Best Brand – Breaking Bath (2R2), for creating the overall best logo, trade stand and promotional materials.



Breaking Bath

Well done to all S2 pupils who made the project such a great success. A total of £50 was raised for MND Scotland.

Business And **Enterprise News**

Kings of the Trading Floor once again



A team from Madras College won this Investment Challenge, competition organised by BNP Paribas which aims to introduce young people to the excitement and challenge of the financial services industry.

The team of Owen Hunter, Richard Byers, Scott Harris and Rachel Allen (all S6) beat teams from across northeast Scotland to win the competition outright at BNP Paribas offices in Dundee on 16th December. Well done on this fantastic achievement!

Bringing Business to Life with Jannettas

Owen and Charmaine from Jannettas paid a visit to the National 5 Business Management classes on 8th December to give them a flavour of the success of this iconic local business. Pupils were encouraged to think about what they had been learning in terms of a real-life business, consider research topics for their assignment and to appreciate the skills and qualities required for the world of work. Testing the quality of Jannetta's products was a fitting reward at the end of the visit.

Young Enterprise

Our senior entrepreneurs are gearing up for this year's Christmas Trade Fair in Kirkcaldy, the first part of the Company Programme competition for all Fife secondary schools. Hoping to win over the judges and destroy the competition are: Re-Useful who are recycling materials to make a variety of Christmas-themed products; Hana Stationery who are producing a range hand-made stationery including a Madras College Christmas card; and Memobooth who are providing fun photo opportunities at various events including the school Christmas parties. Best of luck for the year ahead.

Modern Languages Pupils Visit University of St Andrews

A group of S5 and S6 Modern Languages pupils attended University of St Andrews 'Meet and Mingle' afternoon in November accompanied by Mrs McCartney.

Pupils were able to ask groups of Modern Languages students from the university questions about their course and their year abroad.

The accompanying staff met with the university staff to discuss issues about transition from school to university.

Everyone enjoyed the afternoon which ended with refreshments.

French Exchange

Another very successful French exchange took place in September. The group of 40 pupils was accompanied by four members of staff; Mrs McCartney, Mrs Maix, Mrs Payne and Mr Duncan.

During the eight-day visit the group attended lessons and saw how the French classes compared with lessons in Scotland, had a tour of Loches, visited Tours, the châteaux of Chenonceau and Villandry and Futuroscope- the cinematic theme

All the pupils got on very well with their partners and many made friendships that they intend to maintain over the years to come.

Transition Evenings

the term Rector, his Mr McLure, and Depute Rector, Mr Darge, began the exciting Transition Process. This process ensures that P7 pupils, and their parents, know what to expect from Madras in August 2016. It begins with Parents' Evenings which take place at each Primary School in the cluster. During these informative evenings, parents learn about the nature of the Transition Programme, as well as key dates for their diaries. Pupils and Parents are also reminded of the importance of upholding RGOR - "Respect, Good Order and Responsibility" - and of maintaining the excellent school image through achievement, uniform and behaviour.

Following the input from staff and the Year Team, parents and pupils are invited to listen to a senior pupil describe life at Madras from their perspective. This pupil will reflect on how they have changed and developed since their very first day at Kilrymont. Next, an S1 pupil will explain what their move to Madras was really like, and offer advice on how to interact with the rest of their year group. The S1 pupil will also inform pupils and parents about the many Extra Curricular opportunities that are available to all pupils – in sport, music, art, language, literature, maths, science and games - and how these clubs provide a fantastic opportunity to socialise, as well as learn. Finally, the P7s and their parents are given the opportunity to ask questions.

To date, these evenings have been a huge success, with an increased attendance from last year. One parent commented: "It's so good for the kids to meet the staff in the familiar environment of their own Primary School." "The Year Team really put my daughter's mind at ease," said another. The next step in the process is the long-awaited P7 Ceilidh — a fun filled afternoon at Kilrymont, which takes place on the 17th March 2016.

The Transition Programme at Madras was recently praised by HMIe in their Inspection Report.



Hospitality Practical Cookery (S4-6) class have created gingerbread wreaths.



While Creative Cakes (S4-6) have produced a small hamlet of lovely houses.

CHRISTMAS TREATS IN HOME ECONOMICS



They may be snowed in for Christmas!

Fife Schools' Swimming Success

Congratulations to the following pupils who were successful at the Fife Schools' Swimming Championships on Sunday 22nd November:

Nicole Reynolds

1st place in girls 12-13 200 m freestyle and 100 m breast stroke 2nd place in girls 12-13 100 m freestyle

Cameron McMaster

1st place in boys 12-13 100 m freestyle 2nd place in boys 12-13 100 m breast stroke and 200 m freestyle

Angus McCallum

3rd place in boys 12-13 100 m butterfly

Kieran Spalding

2nd place in boys 16+ 100 m freestyle and 200 m backstroke 3rd place in boys 16+ 100 m backstroke

Sam McKiddie

2nd place in boys 16+ 100 m and 200 m breast stroke

What's Going On In Madras College 2015-2016

Day	What	Where	Teacher		
Monday	Board Games Club	Room 111	Mrs Robertson		
	Chemistry Support	Room 209	Dr Nabi		
	Junior Choir	Room 002	Mrs Miller/Mrs Nisbet		
	Junior Debating	Room 212	Ms Comber		
	Maths Help Class	Room 314	Mrs Soares		
	Physics Help Club	Room 205	Mrs Lindsay		
Tuesday	Art Club	Rooms 311/313	Mrs Bradwell/Ms Stewart		
	Badminton	Large Games Hall	Mrs Clark		
	Chess Club	Room 318	Mr Gourlay		
	English Homework Club	Room 212	Ms Comber		
	Fife Young Carers Drop-in	Room 111	Miss Russell		
	Junior fiddle Group	Room 001	Mr Higgins		
	Penumbra Drop-in	Room 106	Mrs Little		
	Pick-up-a-Pen Club	Room 216	Mr MacDonald		
	Physics Help Club	Room 205	Mrs Lindsay		
	Social Subjects Homework Club	Room 201	Mr Robertson		
	Writing Lab	Room 214	Mr Shively		
Wednesday	Board Games Club	Room 111	Miss Robbie/Miss Hugher		
	English Homework Club	Room 212	Ms Comber		
	Maths Support	Room 314	Mrs Soares		
	Music Club	Room 001	Mrs Miller		
	Social Subjects Club: How the World Works	Room 201	Mr Clark		
Thursday	Classics Club	Room 317	Mrs Miller		
	Handball	Small Games Hall	Mr Anderson		
	Social Subjects Homework Club	Room 201	Mr Robertson		
	SUrge	Room 111	Mr Darge		
Friday	Board Games Club	Room 111	Ms Comber		
	Christmas Treats Club (S1 until Christmas)	Room 117	Miss Hann		
	Drama Club (S3)	Room 009/007	Mrs Hall		
	Maths Support	Room 312	Ms O'Donnell		

AFTER SCHOOL				
Day	What	Where	Teacher Mr S Munn	
Monday	Athletics Club: Dept of Additional Support	PE Department		
	English Help Class (S1-6)	Room P5, South Street	Mrs Payne	
	Hockey: Boys (S1-6)	Astroturf	Mr Forbes	
	Only Connect (Writing Club)	Room 216	Mr McDonald	
	Pipes & Pipe Band Drumming Lessons	Room Q10, South Street	Mr Barron/Instructors	
	Science Club	Room C3	Dr Nabi	
	Volleyball	Assembly Hall	Miss Mackie	
Tuesday	Football: Boys (S3)	Pitches	Mr S Munn	
	Football: Girls	Astroturf	Mr Beaver	
	Netball: Girls	Large Games Hall	University Staff	
	Pipes & Pipe Band Drumming Lessons	Room Q10, South Street	Mr Barron/Instructors	
	Raspberry Pi Club	Room P10, South Street	Mrs Paterson/Mr Latona	
	Volleyball (S1-3)	Assembly Hall	University Staff	
Wednesday	Bake-off club (S2/3)	Room 113	Mrs McManus/Miss Robbi	
	Football (S2)	Pitches	PE Staff	
	Hockey: Girls (S1)	Astroturf	Mrs Methven	
	Pipes & Pipe Band Drumming Lessons	Room Q10, South Street	Mr Barron/Instructors	
	Wind Band	Assembly Hall, South Street	Mr Milton	
Thursday	Football: Boys S1	Astroturf	Mr Beaver	
	Hockey: Girls (S2/3)	University Astroturf	Mrs Smith	
*	Pipes & Pipe Band Drumming Lessons	Room Q10, South Street	Mr Barron/Instructors	
Friday	Pipes & Pipe Band Drumming Lessons	Room Q10, South Street	Mr Barron/Instructors	

These clubs are subject to change.

Any changes are intimated on the school's

Daily information Sheet.

Burns Competition Winners

		SINGIN	NG			RECITA	\L
S1	Girls	1st 2nd	Joy Yim Mary Kennedy Iona Thomas	Senior	Girls	1st 2nd	Eleanor Hynes Emma Ramsay
	Boys	1st 2nd	Cameron Fuller Taylor Ward		Boys	1st	Matthew Mitcham
			•	Junior	Girls	1st	Shannon Stewart
S2	Girls	1st	Natalie Rengger			2nd	Isla Bonnell
l .		2nd	Hope Kennedy				Heather Youngman
	Boys	1st	Euan West				Ü
S3/4	Girls	1st	Eilidh McGhee	S1/2	Girls	1st	Aimee Brown
33/4	Giris	2nd	Jessica Aitken			2nd	Zoe Mitcham
	Boys	1st	Eugene Ritchie			3rd	Kelsey Clark
			(only entry)		Boys	1st	Luke Connah
S5/6	Girls	1st	Carmen Teppett		·	2nd	Lewis Murphy
	Boys	1st	Innes Little				Taylor Ward

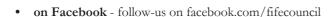
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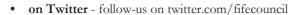
Fife Council Information for Parents/Carers



As early as possible on the morning of severe weather or other situations such as water, heating and building problems, the main ways for you to stay informed are:

- by text direct to your mobile phone or by e-mail. To receive these you will need to sign up for this service via Fife Direct to sign up for text or email alerts, please enter your contact details via www.fifedirect.org.uk/alerts, click on Alerts and under Alert Services click on Register with fifedirect.
- by Groupcall text or e-mail alerts through your school make sure that you have given up-to-date contact details to the school so that they can contact you by Groupcall
- on your mobile phone search for m.fifedirect.org.uk (from your mobile phone browser)





- by radio bulletins listen to Kingdom FM (95.2 and 96.1), Forth One (97.3) and Tay FM (102.8 and 96.4)
- by digital television red Button on Sky, channel 539 and Virgin Media, channel 233, press red

Dates for Your Diary

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

(all dates inclusive)

Monday 21 December 2015 to Friday 1 January 2016

Thursday and Friday 11 and 12 February 2016

Friday 25 March to Friday 8 April 2016

INSERVICE

Wednesday 10 February 2016

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ALERTS

Sign up for email or text alerts:

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