



### **Whole School**

#### **Assemblies This Week:**

No Assemblies due to prelims

<u>Madras College Burns Supper</u> – Thursday 1st February (6.20 for 6.30 start). We have a limited number of tickets still available for this fantastic event. The ticket price includes haggis, neeps & tatties, shortbread & cranachan tarts and our other national drink for the toasts, as well as entertainment from some of our talented pupils. Tickets cost £5 each or £15 for a family ticket (2 adults / 2 children). All staff, pupils and their families are warmly invited. Tickets are available to purchase from the school office.



Kosovo +25 Exhibition — Madras College is currently hosting a thought provoking exhibition in reception, by photo journalist Nick Sidle, to mark the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the conflict in Kosovo. This will be in place until the February half term and we intend to use the images to explore diversity and the experiences of refugees with young people in the school. Please feel free to have a look around.

<u>Foodbank Collection</u> — The Deaf Pupil Council (made up of deaf students from schools across Fife) are organising a Foodbank Collection as part of their "Youth Dynamic Award", working with local communities. There is a collection point in the school office and any donations (goods in jars / cans, tea, coffee, pasta, biscuits, toiletries, nappies etc) would be very gratefully received.

<u>DoddieAid 2024 Update</u> – After the first 3 weeks of the DoddieAid challenge Madras staff and pupils had completed more than 419 exercise activities, covered over 2435 miles and raised funds for the fight against Motor Neurone disease. With only two weeks to go, the push is on to try and get as close as possible to a total of 4000 miles for the 5-week challenge.

#### SSAA Secondary Schools' Cross Country Championships or Schools Aquathlon

<u>Championships</u> — Anyone interested in competing in the SSAA Secondary Schools' Cross Country Championships or the Schools Aquathlon Championships please see Miss Watson in the PE Base.

#### Young Leadership Academy

There will be a meeting in room F014 on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January at 1:20pm. Could all Leaders please make their best efforts to attend this meeting.

#### S4-6 Dodgeball

We have a new offering to our extra curricular programme. Senior Dodgeball will take place on Thursday Lunchtimes from 1:20 onward. Pop down and have some fun.

### Parents / Carers

<u>Parents Portal</u> – If any parents / carers haven't signed up to Parents Portal, we encourage you to do so now at <u>Parents Portal</u>. Parents Portal provides easy access to a range of online services including our Annual Data Check and school reports. Many thanks to all those who have already signed up.

# Parents / Carers cont.



<u>iPayimpact, Fusion App and Online ordering</u> – iPayimpact is a safe and secure way to make online payments for school meals etc. The Fusion Mobile pre-ordering app links to your child's iPayimpact Account and allows them to order food and check their account balance from their phone <u>Raising Funds</u> — An easy way to raise funds, for school, is "easy-fundraising" when shopping online: <a href="https://www.madras.fife.sch.uk/docs/Parent\_Council/How\_to\_raise\_money\_for\_Madras\_College\_while\_online\_shopping.pdf">https://www.madras.fife.sch.uk/docs/Parent\_Council/How\_to\_raise\_money\_for\_Madras\_College\_while\_online\_shopping.pdf</a>

S1 / S2 / S3

<u>S4 / S5 / S6</u>

Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) 2023-24 — Depending on household income, pupils born between 1st March 2004 and 29th Feb 2008 may be eligible for EMA £30 per week: <a href="https://www.fife.gov.uk/kb/docs/articles/education2/schools-in-fife/funding/educational-maintenance-allowance">https://www.fife.gov.uk/kb/docs/articles/education2/schools-in-fife/funding/educational-maintenance-allowance</a>

<u>Your National Qualifications</u> — There's lots to consider when completing your coursework and preparing for exams. The SQA have created "Your National Qualifications" booklet to help you - <a href="https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/files">https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/files</a> ccc/Your-National-Qualifications-23-24-school-edition.pdf

### **Study Support**

More info on our in-school Study Support activities here:

Full Study Support schedule - <a href="https://www.madras.fife.sch.uk/Study-Support/">https://www.madras.fife.sch.uk/Study-Support/</a>
Maths Supported Study - Available every day, at lunch and after school, in the Maths Department.
<a href="https://madras.fife.sch.uk/docs/Study\_Support/Madras\_Mathematics\_Supported\_Study\_2023-24.pdf">https://madras.fife.sch.uk/docs/Study\_Support/Madras\_Mathematics\_Supported\_Study\_2023-24.pdf</a>

## **Dates for your diary**

<u>Madras College Burns Supper</u> – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February, ticket only event (available from the office) <u>Inservice and half term dates</u> – School will be closed to pupils on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February (Inservice) and closed to staff and pupils on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February (Holidays). School resumes, as normal, on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February.

<u>School Calendar</u> – Looking to fill up your 2024 diary or calendar? Dates for Parent/Carer evenings, reports and other school events can be found <u>here on the Parent/Carer calendar 2023-2024</u>

<u>Fife Council school holidays, term and closure dates</u> – Information for the current, and next, academic year are on the Fife Council website <u>School Holidays</u>, <u>Term</u>, and <u>Closure Dates</u>