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Dear Parent/Carer

We hope you enjoy reading our Newsletter, which was uploaded to the News section of the school website on Wednesday 6 November:

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- ✓ Learning & Teaching; S4 Work Experience
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- ✓ Maths Week Scotland
- ✓ International Chefs Day
- ✓ S6 Language Ambassadors
- ✓ Jack achieves a place in New York Academy of Sciences
- ✓ Rights Respecting School News
- ✓ Global Diversity Awareness Month
- ✓ Molly at Space School Houston
- ✓ Leo achieves Bronze in the Scottish Gymnastics Championships
- ✓ European Day of Languages 2019
- ✓ Tosca Unwrapped
- ✓ House News; Saltire Award
- ✓ Saltire Award Shout Out – Role Models
- ✓ Promoting Positive Relationships Shout Out
- ✓ Artists of the Month
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- ✓ World Challenge 2021 – Vietnam
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- ✓ Career Education and Community Partnerships
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Blazers/Uniform

We would like to thank all pupils/parents/carers who have supported our school uniform standards and the introduction of Blazers across all year groups. We are delighted that we have over 90% of our school community still wearing their Blazers daily. This, we believe, has enhanced our existing positive school ethos, and improved ethos leads to improved learning.

As evidence suggests pupils who identify with the school by becoming involved in the life of the school and indeed supporting our dress code are more likely to be engaged in school life. There is a notable correlation between those who identify with our school community and their successful outcomes as learners.

Through our partnership I would ask that we encourage all pupils to support our key values of **Caring, Learning and Achieving**.

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As the weather gets colder naturally pupils will be wearing warmer, waterproof jackets or coats. We ask that if pupils are wearing their Jackets to school, that they wear it on top of their Blazer (many do), or have their Blazer in their bag and then put it on when in the school building. We would also suggest that any wet jackets are hung over the back of their chair in the classes and hopefully they will start to dry out. We would still ask that Blazers are worn in school and Jackets carried or placed in lockers. Pupils will then get the benefit of jackets/coats when outside at interval, lunchtime and after school.

In regard to our pupils many achievements you can find further detail of these in our **Standards and Quality Report for session 2018/2019**. The Standards and Quality Report, which we publish each year, can be found on our school website, under the **'ABOUT US'** tab, then **'STANDARDS AND QUALITY'**. Please take any opportunity to look at this Report and hopefully be impressed with the detail within. As always, particularly with our Standards and Quality Report, **we would welcome your feedback.**

✓ **Follow us on Twitter/Facebook and/or tell us how we can improve our wider communication.**

Yours sincerely

Colin Johnson
Head Teacher



**Gryffe High School
PTA Christmas Fayre**

Thursday 28th November 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Tickets £3.00 for adults and £1 for children, includes a mince pie, mulled wine or tea/coffee or juice.

Please support school fundraising
Raffle prizes : luxury hamper, gifts, vouchers
Prize draw at 8.15pm

Christmas all wrapped up with activities and gift solutions including:

- Crafts • Jewellery • Handmade Soaps • Decorations •
- Scarves • Tombola • Handmade Xmas Cards •



Upcoming priorities/events

Sun 10 Armistice Memorial Service 11:00 am at the Cenotaph in Paisley (Mr Johnson and our School Captains represent the school)

Mon 11 National Anti-Bullying Week
Anti-Bullying Assemblies
Achievements Awareness Week

Tue 12 S4 Reports issued to pupils

Thur 14 S4 Parents' Meeting, 4:30pm start

Fri 15 S5/6 Reports issued to pupils

Mon 18 Book Week Scotland
Achievements S1-S6 Profiling Lessons

Fri 22 Book Week fancy dress

Mon 25 Start of Nat 5 Prelims – non practical
Parent drop-in for 'chat' – 6:00 – 6:45 pm
Parent Council Meeting, 7:00pm start

Tue 26 3rd Deposit for Activities Week

**Thur 28 S1 Reports issued to pupils
PTA Christmas Fayre, 6:30 pm start**

Fri 29 St Andrew's Day Celebrations
Wear something Tartan

DECEMBER

Mon 2 **St Andrew's Day Holiday**

Full calendar detail is kept up to date on the school website

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