

**LUNCH QUEUES**

S1 - S2 – First
S3 - S5 – Second

GENERAL INFORMATION

GLOBAL DIVERSITY MONTH

October sees our annual Global celebrations return across the school. Look out for Global Diversity themes and topics in lessons, as well as whole school events at intervals and lunchtimes.

- **Henna Hand Art** - Wednesday 08 and Friday 10 October lunchtime in the library - if you would like henna tattoo please collect a consent form from Miss Higgins in English before these dates. If you don't have a completed form, you cannot have a tattoo done. £1 donation to our Global Diversity Month charities.
- **Rainbow Turtle Fairtrade Stall** - come and buy Fairtrade goodies on Friday 24 October at lunchtime in the library.

Look out for posters and in the bulletin for other events running this month.

Citizenship Committee

ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to Wallace House who are topping the leader board for house points at the moment. Remember tokens are worth 5 points and nominations 10. Well done to those pupils who have received tokens and nominations so far and for adding to your house points tally!

S1 - S3 remember to record your token and nominations achievements on My MerIT.

Miss Inglis

SKILL OF THE MONTH: OCTOBER – WORKING WITH OTHERS

As you will be aware, there is a great importance being placed on Skills understanding and development. The onus is on YOU to make sure that you know what your skills are and to take opportunities to develop them. To help you with this the whole school are going to focus on a different skill each month. The skills wall in each department has been updated with the new skill. There will also be a skills logo that you may start to see on pieces of work. This should help you to identify an opportunity for skills development. You should try to record the skills you have and where they are used in each subject. You should also try to find some way to record this, e.g. Homework diary, a Skills notes jotter or MyMerIT. If you would like to know more, or would like help to understand any of the skills then please see Mrs Darroch.

Mrs Darroch

ECO COMMITTEE MEETING

The next meeting of the school's Eco-Committee will be on Wednesday 08 October at 12:40pm in HWB1. This is open to pupils across all year groups so come along (even if you have missed previous meetings) and contribute to the school's journey towards achieving the 'Green Flag' award.

Mr Clark

LITTER INITIATIVE

The Eco Committee is creating a litter policy which will aim to eliminate litter from our school entirely. Mr Toneguzzo is seeking 4 students from each year group (2 boys, 2 girls) to help enforce the litter policy around the school. This will not involve actual litter picking. Each student chosen to be involved will be given a Q card which will allow them to bypass the queue into the canteen. Please attend a meeting today, Monday 06 October in SS4 at 1:40pm to register your interest. Other than a Q card, this is a great opportunity to build your CV.

Mr Toneguzzo

WEAKEST LINK QUIZ

The Charities Committee are running a quiz in the theatre on Friday 10 October at lunchtime to raise money for Smile Train. Tickets are £1 at the door. Have your lunch and then come along to support your house.

Charities Committee

3K SPONSOR MONEY

All sponsor money should be handed in to PE department once collected. Please look to get sponsor money for such a worthy cause with all sponsor money going towards Teenage Cancer Trust.

Mr O'Hare

ACTIV8

Activ8 Sessions 8 is on Wednesday from 3:00 - 4:00pm. There are activities on offer for all year groups and opportunities for leadership roles for those in the upper school. Come down and get involved in some of the activities on offer. All participants have to meet in the Games Hall on Wednesday at 3:00pm.

Mr O'Hare

SPORTS TEAMS AND CLUBS

Information on Sports Teams and Clubs will be updated on notice boards within PE department throughout the year. All participants should regularly check notice boards for updates.

Mr O'Hare

New S1 - S3 INFORMATION

S3 SKILLS EVENT – WEDNESDAY 08 OCTOBER

ALL S3 pupils will be involved in this day. Please report directly to the theatre at the start of period 1 where you will be registered in house groups - **DO NOT** go to your first period class.

Pupils should wear uniform and bring resources such as homework diary, pens, pencils.

Lunch will be at the normal time but interval will be at a different time - bring a snack and drink with you for interval

Miss Inglis

MY MERIT WEEK 06 – 10 OCTOBER 2014

Remember that this week you should be focused on updating your My MerIT Profile with your achievements and skills. S1 -S2 will do this in ABC where you will be given a username and password. S3 will do this on Wednesday at your Skills Event. Remember that you can access My MerIT from home and should be continually updating your Profile with your achievements. **Don't forget to record the SKILLS you have developed as a consequence of achieving.**

Homework Diaries - pages 22 - 25 of your diary have space to note your achievements and skills in different classes etc your teachers will give you hints about what to record.

Miss Inglis

DUKE OF EDINBURGH

S3 pupils registered for Bronze Award should meet Mr Taylor in the Theatre on Wednesday 08 October at morning break.

Mr Taylor

New S4 - S6 INFORMATION

S4-6 SKILLS EVENT – THURSDAY 30 OCTOBER - SECC, 10:00 – 12:00PM

This is an excellent opportunity to meet with representatives offering Modern Apprenticeships, and Colleges/University courses.

If you are interested, please sign up on the sheets displayed in your Social Area by Friday 10 October so that appropriate arrangements can be made. There will be a small fee to cover the cost of the bus (Approx £2-3). See Miss Brand for further details in Support Base 1.

Miss Brand