

**LUNCH QUEUES**

S3 - S5 – First
S1 - S2 – Second

GENERAL INFORMATION

SKILL OF THE MONTH; MARCH – ANALYSIS

This month focuses on your ability to break down ideas and new learning into simpler parts and find evidence to support generalisations. You should question 'what' you know and 'how' you know it. This will help you to apply knowledge as well as problem solve.

Mrs Darroch**RIGHT OF THE MONTH – MARCH**

All children have rights, no matter who they are, where they are, what their parents do, what language they speak, what their religion is, whether they are a boy or a girl, what their culture is, whether they have a disability, whether they are rich or poor. No child should be treated unfairly on any basis. Article 2

Mrs Davey**S1 - S5 WALLACE DAY OUT**

If you have not yet handed in your choices and consent form you **MUST** return these (in an envelope with your name on) to the box in support base 4 by Wednesday or **YOU WILL NOT** be permitted to attend the trip.

Miss Inglis**SKI TRIP ITALY 2016**

There will be a meeting in M7 at 1:45pm today, Monday 23 March for all those pupils who have returned the first Ski Trip reply slip.

Mr Hannah**ECO COMMITTEE**

The next meeting of the Gryffe Eco Committee will be on Wednesday 25 March at 12:45pm in HWB2. Please bring along any ideas/materials that you have been working on- new members welcome!

Mr Clark**ECO COMMITTEE- ENVIRONMENTAL FACT OF THE WEEK**

The energy saving from recycling one bottle will:

- power a 100 watt light bulb for almost an hour
- power a computer for 25 minutes
- power a colour TV for 20 minutes
- power a washing machine for 10 minutes.

Mr Clark**RAG BAG SCHEME**

Thanks to all pupils and staff who have contributed to the school's Rag Bag textile recycling scheme- the most recent uplift raised £58.00 for the school. Just a reminder that all old and unwanted clothing, towels, handbags, shoes, belts and ties can be deposited in the recycling boxes located outside the school library. The next uplift will be at the beginning of June so have a look at home and bring them in!

Mr Clark**FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT**

A massive thank you to all staff and pupils who got involved across Fairtrade Fortnight to make it such a success! We managed to raise £335 from the Bake Off, Banana Splits and Smoothie stalls. This amount will be doubled to £670 by match funding from the UK Government. The proceeds will all be spent on activities that promote and sustain fair trade, ensuring that farmers and producers across the world get a fair price for their products.

Congratulations to Blair Tate from 1Bn for handing in a whopping 23 Fairtrade wrappers as part of the S1/2 competition! Burns House also collectively won by handing in the most amount of wrappers across the week - Well Done, Burns!

Congratulations to Megan Lovett from 1M who won the Fairtrade trail competition, by hunting down all the posters across the school and adding the numbers up to get the total number of Fairtrade sugar producers. Well Done, Megan!

Citizenship Committee**RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOLS MEETING**

Could all pupils who took part in the Charter Creation at the Church Halls back in October (Pupil Council Reps and RRSA Steering Group) please attend a meeting P3 on Friday 27 March in the Library. Please register with your teacher and bring your things to the Library. Any questions please see Mrs Davey.

Mrs Davey**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

OPPARTUNITY

Congratulations to OppARTunity who won 'Best Quality Award' at this year's Young Enterprise finals at the Normandy Hotel on Wednesday 18 March. The company still have pieces from young Artists for sale. If you are interested in purchasing any of their art work, please see Kadey Adams S6. Visit their page on Facebook for more information.

Mrs MacDonald

LUNCH QUEUE PASSES

Any pupil who has permission to go to the front of the lunch queue should collect a new Lunch Queue Pass from the school office.

Mr Johnson

New S1 - S3 INFORMATION

GOAL ACTIVITY

Could all pupils going on the Goal activity attend a short meeting **today, Monday 23 March**, at interval in ICT1.

Mr Deans

SCARY SCOTLAND

Could all pupils going to "Scary Scotland" during activities week, please attend a short meeting at the start of lunch on Friday 27 March in Art 3. Thanks

Mr Blue

RENFREWSHIRE CROSS COUNTRY – THURSDAY 26 MARCH

The Renfrewshire Cross Country will take place on Thursday 26 March. Could all pupils please report to the PE Department at the start of the school day in your uniform. Remember to bring your school PE kit, a packed lunch and plenty of water. All pupils must pay their £2 before this date.

Miss Still

S1 - S3 - MY MERIT WEEK

This week at home and in ABC classes you should be making additions to your My MerIT Profile. These additions should include achievements (both large and small) that you have had over the past few months in your classes and extracurricular activities. Achievements can also include receiving tokens and achievement certificates (though you don't need to have received this to add it to My MerIT). Your teachers will give you guidance as to the kind of things to write.

Remember you can add achievements under the following categories:

Curricular (white token) - add test results, comments about class work or homework you are proud of, project work or your ability to be supportive to your peers and teachers in class

Across the Curriculum (pink token) - give examples of how you have transferred skills learned in one subject to another subject (e.g. literacy, numeracy etc) or involvement in whole school projects

School ethos (black token) - add achievements such as winning a medal or cup, or getting to finals, or showing commitment to a school club or doing any activity which you are proud of in school but out with the classroom

Personal achievement (achievement certificate) - add any achievement you are proud of from out of school - commitment to a club, voluntary work or helping others, charity work, medals and other awards received, etc

Remember to make comments about the skills you feel you have developed whilst achieving these things.

S3 PUPILS be aware that you will soon be completing your S3 PROFILE which relies on you completing your My MerIT Profile. If you have lost your password see Miss Inglis or Miss Dhesi ASAP.

Miss Inglis

New S4 - S6 INFORMATION

ACCOUNTANCY APPRENTICESHIP – CAMPBELL DALLAS – CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Please see Miss Brand if you are interested in applying for an accountancy Apprenticeship with Campbell Dallas. This is an excellent opportunity for those young people interested in Accounting as a career, but looking for an alternative to University. Minimum requirements are **four** Scottish Highers at grade A or B, two of which should be Maths and English.

Miss Brand

APPRENTICESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Apprenticeships that are now available will be regularly posted on the red board, next to the S4 Social Area, for your information. Pupils are encouraged to check the board regularly. Anyone requiring further detail of the opportunities displayed should see Miss Brand. Thanks.

Miss Brand

This week's Assemblies,

Pupils should report directly to the theatre to be registered. The assembly will last the full period.

S3 – Wednesday 25 March – Mission Discovery, period 3

S6 – Friday 27 March – SQA, period 3 .