



End of school bell

1st bell – for ground floor

2nd bell – all other floors

GENERAL INFORMATION

Note: The number in brackets identifies the first week items have appeared in the bulletin.

This week is pupil bulletin No.12

WELLBEING INDICATOR OF THE MONTH – HEALTHY (10)

Children & Young People (Scotland) Act 2014

Having the highest attainable standards of physical and mental health, along with access to suitable healthcare and support in making healthy and safe choices.

Mrs Costello

EMPLOYABILITY SKILL OF THE MONTH – ABILITY TO WORK UNDER PRESSURE (10)

This is about keeping calm and not becoming too overwhelmed or stressed.

Miss Paterson

NATIONAL ANTI-BULLYING WEEK – WHAT MADE IT BETTER? #BEE KIND (12)

Please look out for various events throughout the week from **Bee scavenger hunts**, to **refreshing lemonade drinks** to **Do-nut Worry donations!** Gryffe is also taking over **Respect Me's** twitter page with our very own stigma reducing mental health group '**Like Minds**' beginning on the Tuesday for all S4 pupils **#BeeKind**

Mrs Costello

LEMONADE STALL – WHEN LIFE GIVES YOU LEMONS, MAKE LEMONADE! (12)

On Thursday & Friday at interval & lunch there will be a free cup of lemonade for every **#BeeKind** pledge card signed. By signing the card pupils are pledging to **#BeKind**, **#BeBetter** and **#DoBetter** to tackle bullying behaviour in Gryffe.

Mrs Costello

BOOK WEEK SCOTLAND (12)

Book Week Scotland takes place this week. Celebrate by making sure you always have your personal reading book with you and by taking part in some of the fun activities taking place in the English department like the annual creative writing competition. You can find out more info in the English Dept.

Miss Lawson

LIBRARY BOOK AMNESTY (11)

Please can all pupils return any library books they borrowed in the past by posting them in the box outside the library.

Miss Lawson

WINTER CHARITY APPEAL (10)

Please donate to our charity appeal this winter by giving in a box or bag with Pjs, Toiletries, Xmas book and gift.

Donations in by 20th Nov to Mrs Davey for your token. See posters for further details.

Citizenship Committee

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES (6)

Please see TV screens or School Website for all clubs and activities on this week.

Miss Iafrate

Fitness Club: Tuesday 3:45pm - 4:45pm (PE Department) S1-S6

Drama Club: Wednesday 3:00pm - 4:00pm (Theatre) S1-S6

Football Club: Wednesday 3:00pm - 4:00pm (PE Department)

Science Club: Thursday 1:15pm - 2:00pm (Lab 7) S1

Dance Club: Thursday 3:45pm - 4:45pm (PE Department) S1-S6

Mr Malcolm

Mrs Carter

Mr Christie/Mr O'Hare

Mr Shepherd

Miss Thornton

MEDIA UPDATES (4)

Remember to check the screen in the library, TVs around the school and @Gryffe Pupil Voice Instagram for pupil updates.

School Captains

S1–S3 INFORMATION

- S1 - **#BeeKind - Bee Scavenger Hunt** – Collect a sheet from SB4 and try and find all 10 buzzy bees throughout the school. Sheets are to be submitted to SB4 by end of school day on Thursday. House points will be awarded for being the fastest to return the bees back to their hive! **Mrs Costello**
- S1 – Reminder that all S1 Pupils must remain within the school campus during lunch breaks. **Mrs Brown**
- S1 – In order to improve the canteen queues, S1 will be allowed out of class 5 minutes early at lunchtime. **Mrs Brown**
- S1 - Any S1 pupil interested in starting guitar lessons, in school, should give their name to the music department. For more information speak to your music teacher. **Mrs Currie**
- S3 - **Bronze DofE** - Pupils who are interested or who have already registered an interest, should attend a meeting in the Theatre on Thursday 19th November at 1.45pm **Mr Taylor**

Please note - new areas have been allocated for intervals and lunchtime on wet or inclement weather.

If a 'dry' day, then all pupils, except S6 carrying out a duty, should go outside.

Pupils should only access toilets as follows and not walk through the School:

S1-S3 via the Humanities door to the toilets in that area

If Wet Weather(.. or very cold/windy weather)

If Wet, 2 bell days, pupils will go to their allocated wing/area. At all times pupils use the one way system. Pupils should sit in groups of no more than 6.

S1 Mathematics
S2 English
S3 Humanities

S4–S6 INFORMATION

S4 Pupils Only – Tuesday Nov 17th lunchtime in the theatre (bring your lunch!)

There is now an opportunity to reduce stigma around discussing mental health with our new '**Like Minds**' group. The group will be facilitated by organisers of Houston's 'Like Minds' group and will enable positive discussions about YP Mental Health. See Mrs Costello or Simran Kaur/Carla Dinnie (S6) if interested. **Mrs Costello**

Supported Study – Please check the school website for details of Departmental Supported Study, or see Ms Dhesi in Support Base 1. **Ms Dhesi**

S6 – Please check SMHW and S6 Facebook page for regular updates. **Mrs Brown**

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S4-S6 via the Tech/Car Park doors to the toilets in that area

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S4 Gym and ML1, ML2
S5 ICT1, ICT2, ICT3, RA2 and ML3
S6 S1&S3 old social areas, main Foyer, Art3 and Art4

Monday 16 National Anti-bullying Week
Achievements Completion Week in
PSE/PPD/PDA
Tuesday 17 S4 Interim Reports issued to pupils
Launch of 'Like Minds' Mental Health Group
Wednesday 18
Thursday 19 Deadline for PTA Christmas Fayre Orders
Friday 20 Deadline of donations for Winter Charity
Appeal

Monday 23 N5 Exam Diet 1 – practical
Tuesday 24
Wednesday 25
Thursday 26 S1 Reports issued to pupils
Friday 27 St Andrew's Day, Event 6 – wear something
Scottish with Uniform

Monday 30 St Andrew's Day Holiday

How Parents/Carers can become more involved in our school life:



National Antibullying Week – Mon 16th – 20th November 2020

There will be various events throughout the week for all pupils to get involved in from a **S1 Bee scavenger hunt**, to **'When life gives you lemons' stall** to our **'Do-not Worry' donations!** We are also taking over **Respect Me's** twitter page with a Gryffe specific post every-day. We launch our very own stigma reducing mental health group called **'Like Minds'** beginning on the Tuesday for all S4 pupils initially. This group is facilitated by two members of the 'Like Minds' community group which is supported by Houston & Killellan Church. To join their current zoom calls please contact Frankie Greenwood at: familvandcommunity.houstonkirk@gmail.com



Gryffe's Antibullying Policy was updated in 2018 after consultation with both staff and pupils. Wellbeing Ambassadors were trained by Brian Donnelly (previous director of Respect Me) who then cascaded their training to all staff and pupils. A language-friendly pledge was produced which incorporates both Gryffe's antibullying policy and school charter.

Respect Me (Scotland's Antibullying Service) Guide for parents:
<https://respectme.org.uk/adults/bullying-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers/>

Gryffe High School Anti-bullying Pledge

In Gryffe High School, our core values are **Caring, Learning and Achieving**. We understand that **bullying is never acceptable and work to create a school community where bullying cannot thrive**

Unacceptable behaviour will always be challenged
We will not label or stereotype
Young People affected by bullying will be supported to help them regain their sense of agency
The views of the person affected will always be taken into account when finding a solution
We will respect everyone in our school community
We will promote caring and positive attitudes
We will act with kindness whenever we can

Gryffe PTA Xmas Shop 2020

The PTA are delighted to announce the opening of our online Xmas shop. We have a selection of bespoke Xmas items for you to choose from, all of which can be personalised with a name, date or Xmas message (max 15 characters). Order form is available on the school website & social media platforms. Order by 20 November for collection or delivery by 18 Dec, contactless of course. Payment by cash or cheque in envelope marked PTA Xmas Shop. Please support your school....Merry Xmas.

Price List
Light up bottles - £5
Decorated wine glasses - £4 each or 2 for £7
Personalised hand sanitizer - £2
Selection of baubles - £2
Various fillingsplease specify when ordering.
Choose from Mum socks , Yankee Votive candle, Lego bricks , chocolates , dog treats.....or random Xmas decs.

Face Masks – Thank you for your support. Nearly all pupils are wearing their face masks in school as they move between classes. Please continue to encourage your child to bring a face mask to school, and to wear it in school.

Show My Homework – Please ensure that you have access to this programme as it is our key means of communication to Parents/Carers.

Support our PTA - Please consider supporting our school by purchasing these lovely and very competitively priced products.