

**LUNCH QUEUES**

S4 – S6 – First  
S1 – S3 – Second

End of school bell  
1<sup>st</sup> bell – for ground floor  
2<sup>nd</sup> bell – all other floors

<b>GENERAL INFORMATION</b>
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**RIGHT OF THE MONTH**

Article 10 – These articles explain how governments and international organisations like UNICEF will work to ensure children are protected with their rights. If you have any comments or feedback about our School Charter or any of your Rights, please see Mrs Davey.

**Mrs Davey****ECO COMMITTEE – ENVIRONMENTAL FACT OF THE WEEK**

Recycled paper produces 73% less air pollution than if it was made with raw materials.

**The Eco Committee****LIBRARY OPENING HOURS**

The library will be open on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and will be open to pupils for the last 20 minutes of lunchtime on these days.

**Mrs Kerr****SPORTS TEAMS AND CLUBS**

All members of sports teams and clubs should check notice boards in PE for updates on teams and clubs. Basketball, Netball and Football team members, or those wishing to join, should see the members of staff leading these teams for information on a new programme of training and games ahead of new seasons starting.

**Mr O'Hare****RECYCLING**

3 Recycling stations have been set up in the canteen. Specific bins are there in order to allow us to separate waste into the appropriate bins i.e. food, plastics, cans etc. Pupils are asked to support our aim of being an ECO friendly school by disposing of waste in the appropriate bins.

**Mr Taylor****NOVEMBER IS DYSLEXIA AWARENESS MONTH AT GRYFFE**

Dyslexia is a variety of difficulties relating to learning to read, write and/or spell, which persist despite the provision of appropriate learning opportunities. To highlight this condition and increase understanding and awareness there will be several activities throughout the month for staff and pupils. **Blue ribbons** are also available for a small donation that will help raise funds for pupils with Dyslexia. Please look out for and support any/all activities during November.

**Mrs Costello****YOUNG MUSICIAN COMPETITION**

The first round of our Young Musician Competition will take place week beginning **28 November**. Any S1 – S6 pupil who performs a musical instrument or sings and would like to be involved should collect an entry form from the music department. There are 3 categories: Junior (S1-S2), Intermediate (S3-S4) and Senior (S5-S6). The closing date for entry forms is Friday 18 November. Please see a member of the music department for more information.

**Mrs Currie****WOODWIND LESSONS**

Woodwind lessons will be on Tuesday 22 November instead of Wednesday this week. Please remember to bring your instrument.

**Mrs Currie****GRYFFE OFFICIAL FACEBOOK PAGE**

We are excited to announce the launch of the Official Gryffe High School Facebook Page. This is a modernised way of notifying parents and pupils on school matters. Please visit and like the page in order to receive important updates. Just type "Gryffe High School" into the Facebook search bar. Get involved by spreading word to parents/carers and friends!

**Jamie Muir, S6****SCOTTISH BOOK WEEK - 21 TO 25 NOVEMBER**

S6 pupils will be holding a second hand book/DVD/ game sale in the library during Scottish Book Week to raise funds for literacy initiatives in Scotland. Further donations will be very gratefully received. To celebrate Book Week Scotland there will be various quizzes and challenges in the library on Wednesday the 23 and Thursday 24. On Friday 25 come to school dressed as a Harry Potter character to win a prize. Happy Reading!

**Mrs Kerr/Miss Lawson****SCOTTISH BOOK WEEK**

**Wednesday 23 November** – Match the book couple competition. Get entry forms from your English Teacher. Prizes for winning entries. **Thursday 24 November** – Harry Potter/Book quiz in the library at lunchtime and literacy trail around the school – look out for clues. **Friday 25 November** – Book/DVD/Board game/comic sale in the library at lunchtime. Books from 50p.

**Mrs Kerr**

## **ST ANDREWS' DAY CELEBRATIONS – FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER**

As per school calendar to raise money for charity and House funds you are permitted to wear something Scottish with your uniform (tartan). You may also combine this with Scottish Book Week. Perhaps Harry, Ron and Hermione wore tartan too! Donations will be collected during period 1.

**Mrs Brown**

## **ACTIVITIES - LANZAROTE**

Could all pupils due to attend the activities week trip to Lanzarote - Club la Santa, please meet in room M6 at interval today (Monday 21 November). Anyone unable to attend must see Mr Findlay ASAP.

**Mr Findlay**

### **S1 - S3 INFORMATION**

## **S1 CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Taking place on Tuesday 6 December, periods 6 & 7. Tickets will cost £2.50 and will be on sale from House Captains in the canteen and PSE classes week beginning 28 November. If you have any questions, feel free to ask any of the House Captains a question!

**House Captains**

## **LONDON TRIP**

The next payment deadline of £100 is scheduled for 30 November. Pupils to hand in payment to Mr Gallacher or Mrs Malloch. Any concerns regarding this please see either member of staff ASAP.

**Mr Gallacher**

## **S1 BUDDY LUNCH**

S6 buddies are running a lunch for all 1st year pupils on **Monday 28 November**. It's an opportunity for buddies to chat to S1 pupils and to identify their buddies more easily. The canteen will open early for lunches or pupils can bring a packed lunch. Pupils will be dismissed at **12.55pm** from period 5 classes. Buddies will be sent to the appropriate classes to escort pupils into the canteen for lunch before delivering a short presentation about the Buddy initiative.

**Mr Deans/Miss Higgins**

## **S1-3 PUPIL SUPPORT LUNCH CLUB**

The lunchtime support clubs are now up and running, and you are more than welcome to join in! Homework Club is available in HWB 2, Games Club and Arts and Crafts in HWB1, all supervised by the S6 Guidance Team. If you have any questions, please see your Guidance teacher.

**Miss Brand**

### **S4 - S6 INFORMATION**

## **RENFREWSHIRE SCHOOL OF SPORT EDUCATION**

Any pupil wishing to be considered for this Renfrewshire Council initiative to see Mr O'Hare asap. This programme is the early introduction to Sports Coaching and Leadership.

**Mr O'Hare**

## **CAREERS FACEBOOK & TWITTER**

Stay up to date with all employability opportunities within the school. There are a number of work experience, apprenticeships and jobs advertised each week. Follow Gryffe Careers on Facebook or @GryffeCareers on Twitter. See Mr Anderson or Miss Brand for more details.

**Mr Anderson**