



9 December
2024

Linwood High School Newsletter

Welcome to this week's Linwood High 'new look' weekly bulletin.

As we get nearer to the end of term, this weeks bulletin is full of important dates for your diaries and events taking place over the next two weeks.

With prelims for S4 still taking place and preparations for S5/6 prelims in January well underway it is a busy time for teaching and learning.

Please follow us on Instagram and I look forward to publishing pictures of our Linwood Community Council School Fayre that took place here on Saturday.

Any comments or suggestions for the bulletin please let us know.

COMING EVENTS

School Christmas Dinner	11 December
Study Cafe	11 December
Snowball	12 December
Christmas Concert	17 December
Christmas Service	19 December
S1 Talent Show	20 December

ASSEMBLY

S1 - Mrs Shaw	Tues 10 Dec	p1
S2- Ms Cowan	Tues 10 Dec	p2
S3 - Mrs Keogh	Wed 11 Dec	p1
S4 - Mr Hammond	Fri 13 Dec	p1
S5 - Mrs Keogh	Fri 13 Dec	p4

REMINDER

S4 Prelims	3-18 December
S2 Progress Meeting	10 December
Christmas Holidays	23 Dec - 6 Jan
Parent Council Meeting	29 Jan 2025

Magic Breakfast

Where:: Street Area

When:: 8.20am every morning

Who::: Everyone very welcome

What: Toast, Crumpets, Bagels, Porridge, Cereal, Beans

FREE

EVERYONE IS WELCOME



SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICE

Adviser will be in school between 10am - 4 pm
to make an appointment with Margaret
call 0141 8892121

15 January 2025

12 February 2025

12 March 2025

9 and 23 April 2025

14 May 2025

18 June 2025

PUPIL OF THE MONTH

MUSIC

S1- Christopher Glen

S2- Poppy Richardson

S3- Daisy Ronald

S4- Logan Paton

S5- Abbie Fraser

S6- Harris Thomson

Instrumentalist- Matthew Coyle S1

music club is on a Thursday lunch time

HISTORY

S1 – Jack Gallagher, Isla Hampsay

S2 – Louie Wark

S3 – Matt Cairnduff

S4 – Luke Gilchrist

S5 – George Muir

S6 – Sean Moffat

UP COMING TRIPS

Tuesday 10th December	KPMG	8.45am - 11.30am
Friday 13th December	UK Parliament	6am - 12.30am
Thursday 19th December	Bannockburn	9am - 3.40pm

EMA

Are you entitled to apply for EMA?

If you have still to apply please do this as soon as possible.

If you're between 16 and 19, and you plan on continuing at school from August 2024, you can apply for EMA. You can [apply for Education Maintenance Allowance](https://myaccount.renfrewshire.gov.uk/service/Apply_for_Education_Maintenance_Allowance____EMA)

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SNOWBALL

ALL S5/6 Pupils

Thursday 12th December - 7 - 9.30pm

Tickets are £4 from Katie and Abbie in S6

Disco & pizza



SUPPORTED STUDY - HOMEWORK CLUBS

MODERN STUDIES

MODERN STUDIES SUPPORTED STUDIES

National 5 and Higher Wednesday 3-4pm

HISTORY

HISTORY SUPPORTED STUDY

National 5: Wednesday after school
Higher: Thursday after school

CHEMISTRY

CHEMISTRY SUPPORTED STUDY

Thursday 3.40-4.30pm

HOMEWORK CLUB

Tuesday Lunchtime

N5 ENGLISH AND HIGHER MEDIA SUPPORTED STUDY - TUESDAY

HIGHER ENGLISH SUPPORTED STUDY – TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY

ART&DESIGN

ART AND DESIGN SUPPORTED STUDY

National 5 and Higher Tuesday 3.40 - 4.40pm

GEOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHY SUPPORTED STUDY

Monday after school

MATHS

MATHS SUPPORTED STUDY

Monday: N5 Maths and N5 Apps in S25
Tuesday: Drop-in session for all N5 and Higher Classes in S23
Wednesday: N5 Maths and Higher Apps in S24
Thursday: Higher Maths in S23

HOMEWORK CLUB

There is a homework club in S23 every lunchtime for all S1- S3 pupils

MUSIC

MUSIC SUPPORTED STUDY

Tuesday After school
Thursday After school

MUSIC BAND & VOCAL GROUP

Tuesday Lunch Junior Band
Wednesday Lunch Senior Band
Thursday Lunch Celtic Rock Band
Friday after school Vocal Group

S1-S3 YEAR GROUP INFORMATION

S1 LEADERSHIP GROUP MEETING

On Tuesday 10th December our S5 and S6 leadership pupils will be delivering peer mentoring sessions to S1

Our seniors have been trained in MVP (Mentors in Violence Prevention), a peer led education programme which challenges gender based violence, bullying and other forms of abuse.

We will also be having our December merit assembly.

S1

Well done to all S1 pupils who completed their first CAT 4 Test in school on Wednesday.

We will be continuing to run these assessments over the next two weeks at the same time.

The assessments are set up to give us a benchmark on children abilities. We use this information with staff to ensure we maximise engagement, including support and challenge.

If you have any questions about the assessments please contact Mr Hammond.

S2 REPORTS & PARENTS' MEETING

All parents should have received notification that S2 reports are now available on Parent Portal. Please contact the school office if you have any queries.

Sign up to Parent Portal : <https://parentsportal.scot/pportal/>

We look forward to meeting our parents at the S2 parents' meeting on Tuesday 10 December, 4-6.30pm. If you have not made appointments for this parents' meeting, please do so ASAP to avoid disappointment.

S3

We wish all the S3 Modern Studies pupils who are lucky enough to be setting off to London on Friday to visit the Houses of Parliament.

We hope you have an amazing time and remember to set those alarms for the early start!!!

We will also be having our December Merit Assembly on Wednesday.

S4-S6 YEAR GROUP INFORMATION

S4-6

New student study café in the Street Area
3-5pm - S4-S6

A wee reminder that although S5/6 prelims are after Christmas.
This is not far away so start studying now!

S4

Well done to all of our students for making good progress in their S4 Prelims. Continue to work hard and be organised with a study plan. If you have any questions about these speak to your pastoral teacher or year head. Remember to use the online supports available such as Bitesize, Achieve, SQA Understanding Standards and any other you have been directed to.
Remember effort can rise above talent so keep going and focus on finding solutions.

S5

Prelim timetable will be issued this week and in preparation for this, at Friday's Assembly looked at strategies and supports to help get organised for the forthcoming exams. This will include a reshuffling of PSE classes to make sure we all get the most out of this vital preparation time. One weekly feature of these lessons will be to complete a study plan for the week ahead. We would really appreciate your support by checking in with your child to make sure they are sticking to their plan!

S6

Our S6 Prom date has been confirmed as Thursday 19 June at Coats, Paisley. Further details will be issued in January.

HOME INSTEAD - BE A SANTA

S6 charity committee is collecting gifts for Home Instead – Be a Santa, which delivers Christmas gifts to older people in the community.

If you have any unwanted gifts – socks, scarves, chocolates, toiletries, etc - these can be delivered to my office before Friday 13 December.

Please do not wrap the gifts as they will be wrapped by volunteers



MENTORS FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION

Congratulations to the following S5 pupils Ava, Holly, Owen, Skye, Oran, Logan, Zoe and Abby who were among the first group of senior pupils to have completed their Mentors for Violence Prevention Training and become Linwood High's first ever MVPs. We look forward to Tuesday 10th December where they will work with all of S1.

They will be delivering two introductory lessons to all S1 pupils on Tuesday 10th December Period 3 and 4.

Details below.

Monday 9th December

Period 5 - Prep meeting with all MVP team attending in F28 RE Room

Tuesday 10th December

Period 3 - 1.1 and 1.2 in the Street

Period 4 - 1.3 and 1.4 in the Street.

Please can you register pupils and accompany them to the Street and provide support.

MVP Pupils will be in two TEAMS

TEAM 1 will deliver Core Lesson 1 including Gender Box Task - 20 mins approx

TEAM2 will support the task during core lesson 1.

TEAM 2 will deliver Core Lesson 2 including Types of Abuse carousel task - 25 mins approx

TEAM 1 will support the task during core lesson 1

MVP pupils will be asked to catch up on work missed.

SQA UPDATES

S4 PRELIMS

Our S4 prelim exams will take place Tuesday 3 - Wednesday 18 December. The prelim timetable is now available on the S4 Team

S5/6 PRELIMS

These exams are due to begin on Wednesday 8 January 2025. More details to follow.

SQA EXAMS 2025

SQA has now published next year's exam timetable online. Exams will begin on Monday 28 April and finish on Monday 2 June. Results day is Tuesday 5 August 2025. This exam timetable has been shared on S4-6 Teams pages and is also available here: <https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/1439.html>



COLLEGE APPLICATIONS - JANUARY 2025 COURSES

Here are links to colleges which have January start courses. Staff can support with all applications - just ask!

<https://www.westcollegescotland.ac.uk/>

<https://www.cityofglasgowcollege.ac.uk/>

<https://www.glasgowclyde.ac.uk/>

The logo for City of Glasgow College, consisting of the words 'CITY OF GLASGOW COLLEGE' in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters on a dark purple rectangular background.

CITY OF GLASGOW
COLLEGE

The logo for Glasgow Clyde College, featuring a stylized purple arch above the text 'GLASGOW CLYDE COLLEGE' in purple, sans-serif capital letters.

GLASGOW CLYDE
COLLEGE

LEAVERS WORKSHOP: THURSDAY 30 JANUARY 2025

On Thursday 30 January 2025, SDS, INVEST & our LHS DYW Team will be supporting pupils to create CVs, complete college application forms and apply for modern apprenticeships.

Developing The Young Workforce Employability at LHS

Opportunities are posted regularly on
OUR TEAMS PAGES

DYW S4-S6 Employability

S1-S3 Employability and STEM

see Dr Morrow in S14 if interested
in any opportunities posted



INTERESTED IN APPRENTICESHIPS???

Current opportunities can be found at:

Apprenticeship.scot

QA apprenticeships (digital, Tech and IT)

STEM WEST

15 of our S3 pupils attended STEM WEST this week hosted by West College Scotland. They had an opportunity to find out about a range of STEM careers from professionals in a range of sectors such as healthcare, robotics, digital technologies, engineering and construction. They were able to try some hands on experiences including Laser welding, using prosthetic limbs and using VR to visualise Power Stations. This has given the pupils some inspiration and some ideas for future career paths.

"I really enjoyed seeing all the NHS monitoring equipment and how it has to be maintained"

"the interactive activities were great. I liked the cameras that were used by the engineering company"

I enjoyed learning about the jobs at Arnold Clark and the interactive Van"



ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT TRUST - INDUSTRIAL CADETS

Our S2 team are continuing to work on their project designing a sustainable theme park for the future. they have been working with a mentor from strathclyde University engineering department. This week the Team have been making a mock up plan of their theme park "Climate Castle".



WOMEN IN ENGINEERING BAE

Zoe Zenuwah has been successful in her application to attend the BAE systems women in engineering programme. She will work with BAE systems for 4 days in January and February and will have an opportunity to apply for their apprenticeship on completion.

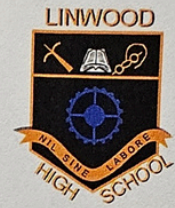
USEFUL WEBSITES

[myworldofwork](http://myworldofwork.com)

S1jobs.com

[myjobscotland](http://myjobscotland.com)

indeed.com



Wear something Christmasy with your uniform on Friday 13th December and please donate a £1



Suggestions on what to wear:

Christmas jumper



Christmas hat

Christmas jewellery



Christmas socks



Tinsel



Half the money we raise will go to school funds and the
other half to Alzheimer Scotland.

Thank you!

LINWOOD HIGH SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL



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PARENT COUNCIL MEETING

Next meeting 29 Jan 2025

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME