



25 November
2024

Linwood High School Newsletter

Welcome to this week's Linwood High 'new look' weekly bulletin. It's been a busy week here welcoming educators from Iceland who were visiting Scotland for a few days. We were selected as a centre of good practice in whole school nurturing approaches. They got a tour of the school and met with pupils in the Pupil Support Centre and other staff from Linwood High School. Here are a some of the comments they made.

Loved the visit. Will definitely try to implement ideas from you.

So inspiring how you have the wellbeing of the kids at heart. Thank you so much.

Really nice school. Great to see that you are proud of your work. Thanks for being so welcoming.

Thank you so much for showing us your amazing work. You obviously have a great staff and amazing community here. We learned a lot.

Any comments on what you would like to see in the bulletin please let us know.
Please follow us on twitter [Linwood_high_school](#)

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

English:

- S1 K Parkhill, J Gallagher, K Fistorazzi, M Ahmed
- S2 S Park, AM Reo, L Wark and J Ward
- S3 E Little Martin, T Brown, J Matthews, I Gallagher and T Thomson
- S4 R Clark, A Lynn and J Paterson
- S5/6 A Lowing and L Sutherland

Maths

- A Lynn
- E Tweedy
- Z MacDonald

Science

- S1 N Kay
- S1 B Woods
- S3 I Gallagher
- S3 J Chalmers

Art

- S1 - H Aitchison, A Oxford-Gilchrist, P McCurday, A Waters, G Mitchell
- S2 - N Currie, G Alexander, E Wake, Q Murray,
- S3 - M Bharya, I Gallagher
- S4 - R Thomson
- S5 - D MacIntosh

ASSEMBLY

S1 - Mrs Shaw

S2- Ms Cowan

S5 - Mrs Keogh Wed P1

S4 - Mr Hammond

REMINDER

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

COMING EVENTS

Linwood Christmas Fayre	7 December
Snowball	12 December
Christmas Concert	17 December

Magic Breakfast

Where:: Street Area

When:: 8.20am every morning

Who::: Everyone very welcome

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



EVERYONE IS WELCOME



X COUNTRY

Also, "Any S1-3 pupils who are interested in representing the school at this years Secondary X-Country at Renfrew on Tuesday 3rd December, please speak to Scott (Active Schools) in the P.E base to register your interest,"

KNITTING & CROCHET CLUB

Thursday Lunchtime S25

Come and Join us for a knit
and a natter

TABLE TENNIS

Any S1-3 pupils interested in representing the school at the Table Tennis Festival at the ON-X on , Thursday 27th November,

please speak to Scott (Active Schools) in the P.E base to register your interest."

COME PLAY NETBALL

S1 – 6 Netball Monday - 3.40 – 5pm
(Games Hall)

Come play netball every week.

Games will be organised against other schools.

To sign up, use link below:

<https://oneren-linwood.classforkids.io>

VOLLEYBALL CLUB

S3-S6

Do you want to play volleyball?

If so, please come along to the games hall

Tuesday lunchtime to play, no prior experience needed, just a willingness to play properly and enjoy yourself!

SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICE

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

11 December 2024

15 January 2025

12 February 2025

12 March 2025

9 and 23 April 2025

14 May 2025

18 June 2025

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

SNOWBALL

ALL S5/6 Pupils

Wednesday 11th December - 7 - 9.30pm

Tickets are £4 from Katie and Abbie in S6

Disco, Pizza and a visit from Santa

S3/6 UK PARLIAMENT VISIT PARENT INFORMATION MEETING

Tuesday 26 November 2024 - 6 - 6.30pm

We would like to invite parents of all S3/6 pupils going on the London Trip to an information meeting about the S3/6 Visit to the UK Parliament in London (13th Dec) to chat through travel arrangements, trip schedule and pupil expectations. Please advise if you can attend.

Thank you and I look forward to seeing you there.

SUPPORTED STUDY - HOMEWORK CLUBS

MODERN STUDIES

MODERN STUDIES SUPPORTED STUDIES

National 5 and Higher Wednesday 3-4pm

ART & DESIGN

ART AND DESIGN SUPPORTED STUDY

National 5 and Higher Tuesday 3.40 - 4.40pm

HISTORY

HISTORY SUPPORTED STUDY

National 5 Wednesday after school
Higher Thursday after school

CHEMISTRY

CHEMISTRY SUPPORTED STUDY

Thursday 3.40-4.30pm

CHEMISTRY HOMEWORK CLUB

Tuesday Lunchtime

GEOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHY SUPPORTED STUDY

Monday After school

MATHS

MATHS SUPPORTED STUDY

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

MATHS HOMEWORK CLUB

Maths homework club S23 every lunchtime for all S1- S3 pupils

SUPPORTED STUDY - HOMEWORK CLUBS

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 PARENTS NIGHT

Our S1 Parents Evening on Tuesday 19th November was hugely successful with an attendance of 86%. The feedback from both staff and parents was very positive.

The S1 full reports will be issued week beginning 27th April.

S2 BIKEABILITY AWARDS

Congratulations to our S2 pupils who were awarded Bikeability awards at assembly: David S, Alexander C, Faith R, Naomi C, Farn S, James D, Jaxon J, Jack B, - a fantastic achievement by everyone - well done!



S3

Now tracking reports have been issued, we would like to welcome your support by having a conversation with your young person at home as to whether they are on track or not.

Any questions please contact pastoral care or year head.

S4-S6 YEAR GROUP INFORMATION

S4 Skills Academy- Charity Fundraiser

A huge thank you to everyone who bought a raffle ticket or donated a prize to the raffle.

We raised an amazing £140 for the Teenage Cancer Trust.

Thank you

COLLEGE

College will be closed for S4 pupils on Friday the 29th November due to St Andrew's day.

S5

Plans are well underway for our new student study café. Launch details to follow.

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

S6

S6 is always the shortest, yet busiest year for our final year pupils. Pupils take on additional responsibilities and are fully involved in all aspects of the life of our school. From organising school events, raising money for charity, organising prom, to creating a school yearbook and thinking about leavers hoodies, all while studying for exams and planning for their future. It certainly is a very busy but exciting few months.

WIDER ACHIEVEMENT

All S6 pupils are being presented for the Prince's Trust award this year. We are focussing on Employability at the moment, creating CVs and thinking about what life beyond school will look like. More importantly, pupils will gain additional qualifications by taking part in the award.

UCAS

Our university applicants are working on their UCAS applications at the moment and all have a school adviser who supports them through the entire process. Advisers ensure they make good course choices and give them advice on how to write the best personal statement. Our pupils also take part in weekly tutorials with staff from the University of West of Scotland's Foundation Academy as well as weekly support from the University of Glasgow's Top Up staff.

SQA UPDATES

S4 PRELIMS

OS4 prelims begin on Tuesday the 3rd December beginning with English. Students should have been building their study plans over the last few months. Assemblies have been covering these areas to provide guidance. If any student requires any support in building their study plan they can speak to Mr Hammond or their Pastoral Care teacher.

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 red arch above the text 'GLASGOW CLYDE COLLEGE' in red, bold, 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.

Art Skills and Portfolio preparation with CREATE Paisley:

This is a FREE 4 week block for those who are planning to apply to a creative course at either college or Art School in Scotland or for those who would like to learn art skills in fine art.

You will be guided on how to successfully prepare your artistic portfolio.

Art Sessions are led by an experienced artist and tutor who can provide you with specific support, the sessions are free to attend and supplies will be provided.

All sessions will take place on Wednesdays from 4.30pm - 6pm at the Linstone Community Flat, Belmar Court, Linwood, PA3 3EE on the following dates:

- 13th November
- 20th November
- 27th November
- 4th December



To sign up, please advise young people to complete our sign up sheet and select 'YouthFULL Linwood' in the section that asks which programme you will be attending.

<https://createpaisley.org.uk/signup/>

If anyone has any questions at all, please just give me a shout at nicola.ferguson@createpaisley.org.uk or contact us via our social media channels @createpaisley.

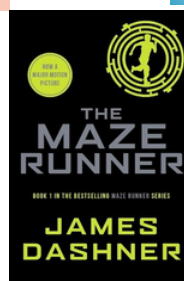
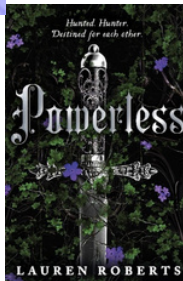
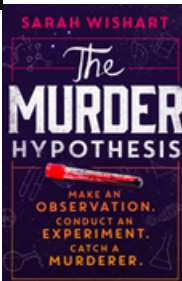
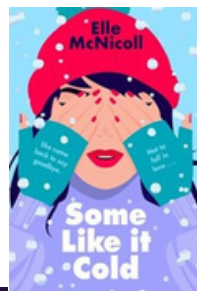
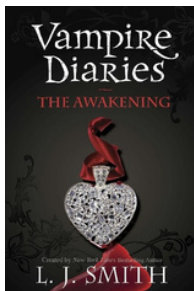
U15 GIRLS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT - 14th NOV

Players Of The Match

A Mercer & A McNaughton

LINWOOD HIGH SCHOOL MONTHLY LIBRARY UPDATE

NEW FICTION



SQA MUSIC PRACTICAL PRELIM/FORMAL ASSESSMENT

Friday 13th December

Time	Name	Inst. 1	Acc.	Inst. 2	Acc.	Level
9.15	Frankie Rooney	Voice	LM	Glock	LM	N5
9.30	Fraser Brown	Keyboard		Glock	SG	N5
9.45	Max McLaughlin	Keyboard		Glock	LM	N5
10.00	Logan Paton	Voice	LM	Keyboard		N5
10.15	Jackson Porter Rowan	Guitar	JM	Bass	LM	N5
10.50	Laura Ballantyne	Keyboard		Glock	LM	N5
11.05	Abbie Galbraith	Keyboard		Glock	LM	H
11.20	Daniel McIntosh	Drum Kit	LM	Xylophone	LM	H
11.35	Alanna MacNeil	Keyboard		Glock	LM	H
11.50	Eija Meldrum	Piano		Guitar	LM	H
12.05	Harris Thomson	Bagpipes		Glock	LM	H
12.30	Martin Munro	Guitar	JM	Bass Guitar	LM	H
12.50	David Glen	Guitar	JM	Glock	LM	H
14.15	Abby Fraser	Voice	LM	Guitar	JM	H
14.35	Ben Watson	Guitar	JM	Bass	LM	N5
15.00	Katie Smith	Guitar	JM	Bass	LM	H
15.15	Ciara Cameron	Keyboard				N4
15.30	Amie Gibson	Drum Kit				N4

Monday 16th December

Time	Name	Inst. 1	Acc.	Inst. 2	Acc.	Level
9.15	Patrick Burns	Keyboard		Glock	LM	N4
9.30	Lillie Irvine	Keyboard		Glock	LM	N5
9.45	Josh Keenan	Voice	LM	Glock	LM	N5
10.00	Millie Lannigan	Keyboard		Glock	SG	N5
10.15	Max Lee	Keyboard		Glock	LM	N5
INTERVAL						
11.05	Candice Maltman	Voice	LM	Guitar	LM	N5
11.20	Arran McIntyre	Glock	SG	Guitar	LM	N5
11.35	Daisy Muir	Guitar	LM	Bass	LM	N5
11.50	Jay Paterson	Glock	SG	Keyboard		N5
12.05	Alex Paton	Drum Kit	SG	Guitar	LM	N5
LUNCH						
1.20	Charlotte Pearson	Guitar	LM	Glock	LM	N5
1.35	Emily Tweedy	Keyboard		Glock	LM	N5
1.50	Fatima Ahmed	Keyboard		Glock	LM	N5
2.05	Holly Buchanan	Voice	LM	Keyboard		N5
2.20	Rachael Clark	Guitar	LM	Keyboard		N5
2.35	Kirsty McKee	Guitar	LM	Keyboard		N5

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.

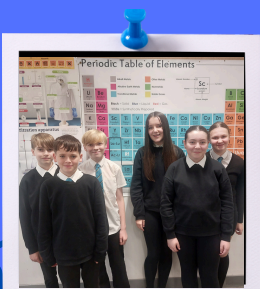
"I really enjoyed seeing all the NHS monitoring equipment and how it has to be maintained"

"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 who is enthusiastic about the project and has visited the pupils in the school and is arranging site visits for the team. watch this space for updates.

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

S1jobs.com

myjobscotland

indeed.com

LINWOOD HIGH SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL

PARENT COUNCIL – LINWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

The parent council are looking for donations for the Tombola stall they will be running at our Christmas Fayre on 7th December 2024.

Please hand in stocking filler donations to the school.

Parent Council Meeting
Next meeting 29 Jan 2025

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME