

Perth Grammar

Update Newsletter w/c 17th April 2017

Welcome back. We hope you all had a lovely Easter.

May Day Holiday: The school will be closed on Monday 1st May.

Parent Council: The next Parent Council meeting is on Wednesday 26th April at 6.30pm. Click [here](#) to view the minutes from the last meeting.

Staffing Update: Aimie Bene, Probationer of Art, has secured her post on a permanent basis and looks forward to taking up this role as of August. At the end of term Ross Hunter, Depute Head Teacher, will retire from post. The recruitment process for this key leadership and management role will take place as soon as possible.

Identifying & Supporting Dyslexia: A talk about Identifying and Supporting Dyslexia is being held on Mon 24th April in the Brahan Building Lecture Theatre in Perth College at 7pm. This is a free event and there is no need to book.

Pupil Equity Funding (Broad General Education S1-3): We are looking for your views as we have been allocated money (called Pupil Equity Fund) by the Scottish Government to help close the attainment gap. Any interventions that we choose must be able to help raise the attainment of our young people. Please see this link for more information (including a leaflet for parents and carers): <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Education/Schools/Raisingeducationalattainment/pupilequityfund>

We would welcome your suggestions by completing the following short survey by Thursday 27 April: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FLWXR3L>

S1/2 Take your child to work day: This is taking place on 27th April and if pupils would like to get involved in this please return the consent form to Personal Support Teachers no later than Tuesday 25th April. Pupils were given a form before the holidays but it can also be printed [here](#).

S1 Reports: These will be sent home on Friday 12th May.

S4-6 Exam Information: Please see below for details about the upcoming period of assessment:

- **Exam Timetables:** These have been handed out by Personal Support teachers. Pupils must check their exam entries to make sure all are correct and raise any problems by Friday 21 April via Mr Hunter, DHT.

Study Leave: The following has been agreed:

- S5/6 pupils will have full study leave from Tuesday 2nd May.
- S4 pupils sitting 3 or more National 5 exams will have full study leave from Tuesday 2nd May.

PUPILS RETURNING TO SCHOOL WILL DO SO ON MONDAY 5TH JUNE.

- S4 pupils who are sitting fewer than 3 National 5 exams will receive 2 days off prior to each of their exams (in line with PKC policy). They will be issued with a print-out of their individual study leave. For these pupils and all other pupils not sitting National 5 exams they will continue to follow their timetable as normal with the new timetable commencing 15 May.
- For some S4 pupils who do not have full study leave work experience may be an option during May.
- A Senior Phase Induction programme is being developed and further information will be shared in due course.
- **Exam Assemblies:** These will take place the week beginning 24 April.

Throughout this full period, pupils are of course expected to wear school uniform. For those with part or full exam leave then it is essential that should a pupil(s) wish to meet with one of their teachers that they plan this in advance and sign into school office (wearing school uniform). This is to avoid any disappointment e.g. if a member of staff is unavailable and to assist with health and safety. At no point should any pupil in the Senior Phase be present in either of the ground floor social areas during class times as the school will be operating as normal.

Prefect Applications: Thank you to all pupils who applied to become a prefect next year. The standard of applications and interviews was very high. [Here](#) is a list of all pupils who have been successful and will be appointed to the role of prefect for the next school year.

Miss Dunn and Miss Wilson would now like to invite any eligible S5 pupils who are interested in a senior prefect role (House Captain/Head Boy/Head Girl) to submit a personal statement to Ms Wilson by **Thursday 20th April**. To be eligible to apply you must have been selected as a prefect for next year and also have been a prefect in S5. Senior prefect applicants will then be invited to a long leet interview with Ms Dunn and Ms Wilson on Friday 21st April, with those making the short leet going through to a final interview on Wednesday 26th April.

S6 Leavers' Day: This is taking place on Friday 28th April. The cost is £12 for a breakfast, quiz, bubble football, an inflatable assault course and a buffet lunch all in school throughout the day. This should be paid to Chantelle McDonald or Lauren Sinclair by this Friday 21st April at the latest. Those choosing not to take part should follow their normal timetable.

S6 Yearbook: Final yearbook payments of £7 should be made by Friday 21st April to Eilidh Duff or Maddy Smith. Anyone unsure if they've paid a deposit or not intending to pay the final amount should let them know as we need to confirm final numbers with the printers ASAP.

Job News: Any senior pupil interested in a 1 week placement during May 2017 at St Johnstone FC in various departments or at M&S in the High Street should see Mr I Hunter (Guidance) in B2/B28 this week. Spaces are limited.

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