

# Perth Grammar

## Update Newsletter w/c 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017

**Remembrance Assemblies & Poppies:** As usual we will be holding Remembrance assemblies around the time of Armistice Day, to remember all those affected by war both in the forces and as civilians. The assemblies will take place on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November during Personal Support Time. Poppies will also be on sale this week and we encourage everyone to give generously to help support those have served or are serving in the armed forces and their grieving families.

**Parent Council:** The next parent council meeting takes place on Tuesday at 6.30pm. The agenda for the meeting can be found [here](#).

**Challenge to Change: VOTE FOR US!** Following the Harvey Weinstein story in the media, everyone is talking more about gender equality and society's attitude to men and women, boys and girls. It just so happens that Perth Grammar pupils are already a big part of this global conversation. Together with pupils from Perth High, they are organising a major Equality Conference called 'Challenge to Change' at Perth Concert Hall on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March. They have already planned the day and have invited an exciting range of high profile speakers and leaders. Pupils from across Perth and Kinross will be invited to attend for a fun day of activities to make them think and maybe even change their mindset about respect and equality. However, they need funding to make it a real success and so **YOUR VOTE** for them in the Aviva Community Fund is needed. Please give them your votes before **21/11/17!** Click [here](#) >>

**S4 Parents' Evening:** This is taking place on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November from 4.45-7pm. We use an online booking system for parents to make appointments. Click [here](#) for more details. If you have any problems please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

**S5/6 Parents' Evening:** This is taking place on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November from 4.45-7pm. We use an online booking system for parents to make appointments. Click [here](#) for more details. If you have any problems please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

**S4-6 Information Evening:** We would like to invite you to attend our S4-6 Information Evening entitled *Employing Our Strengths* on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November in Perth Grammar School. The event will begin at 6pm and take the form of workshops which will run in classrooms around the Assembly Hall. Each workshop will be run by outside providers and will last for 30 minutes. Parents are free to choose workshops on the night. Topics will include careers in the Oil Industry; applying to University; Foundation Apprenticeships; Modern Apprenticeships; Perth College UHI and Dundee and Angus College; and support available from Skills Development Scotland. Parents will be able to come and talk to Principal Teachers of every subject from 6pm until 7:30pm in the assembly hall in place of a workshop. We look forward to seeing you on the night.

**S5 Safe Drive/Stay Alive:** On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November S5 pupils are invited to attend the Safe Drive/Stay Alive event at the North Inch Community Centre. They will bring home a letter with a

consent form which should be returned to their Personal Support Teacher. A copy of the letter can be found [here](#).

**S4 Girls:** S4 girls who have a passion for Science, Technology, Engineering or Maths? Let us Inspire them at a three day course at a leading UK university. Each Inspire course is a mixture of exciting hands-on activities, project work and personal development sessions. Anyone with an interest in creativity and problem solving can have a rewarding career in STEM. Find out more about Inspire and apply here: [Inspire courses](#). The [Inspire flyer](#) will give you more details.

**S4-6 Pupils:** If you are interested in a career in the Army there is availability on a Residential Work Experience Week running from 27 Nov – 1 Dec at Castle Law, Edinburgh. The Work Experience week is a great opportunity for students to find out more about careers in the Army, although they do not need to be interested in the Army to attend. During the week they will have the opportunity to develop teamwork and leadership skills, confidence and physical fitness. If you are interested please see Mr Cameron in Guidance.

**S4-6 Pupils-Science Summer School:** This is a FREE week long course aimed at school students between the ages of 16-18 years who are pursuing a career in science. Run at Edinburgh Zoo or the Highland Wildlife Park over the summer, this is an excellent opportunity for students to gain more experience in research, add to their CV, work with specialist zoo vets, and have fun! They will also have the opportunity to gain a Silver CREST Award through the British Science Association. Click [here](#) for more information.

**Skills Development Scotland workshops:** Please click [here](#) for information on these workshops which are being held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> November at their office in Highland House, St Catherine's Road, Perth.

**S4-6 Jobs News:** Click [here](#) for more information

**University News:** click [here](#) for information.

**In-service Day:** The school will be closed to pupils on **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> & Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November** due to staff In-service Days.