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#### TRIPS / OUTINGS / EVENTS

#### **NEXT WEEK**

3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2020	Expressive Arts Theatre Trip	B Lee
2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup>	PISA assessments	A Gray
March		

# **FORTHCOMING**

13 March 2020	Drama Showcase	K Blackwood
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Pupil Notice 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2020
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## P Exciting news for Lesmahagow High School

As of August 2020, Lesmahagow High School will gain a specialist provision which will support pupils who have additional support needs. Mrs Docherty, Depute Head Teacher, who joined us this week, will have the privilege of developing this provision; working alongside pupils, staff and parents to make this a great success.

B Lee

### P Active Schools Dance Competition

Congratulations to our dance teams who participated in the Active Schools Secondary Dance Competition last week. The Senior Dance Team won 'best choreography' and S6 pupil Daryl Simpson was recognised as best senior performer. Our Junior Dance Team were also fantastic – well done to everyone involved!

B Lee

#### P SLC Battle of the Bands

On 13<sup>th</sup> February, a group of our young people took part in the SLC Battle of the Bands School Competition. Our band, Detroit Daisy, performed *Follow My Lead*, a song they wrote themselves and *Hold the Line* by Toto (easily the coolest cover version of the night). They competed against 11 other SLC secondary schools and were awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> place, an amazing achievement especially for a band who were the youngest group performing and have only been together for three months. The band members are: Eilidh Court, Alan Traynor, Aneesa Mohammed and Elise Ward.

B Lee

#### P COPFS Public Speaking Competition

Congratulations to Elise Ward and Zhara Wells who have progressed to the semi-final of the COPFS Public Speaking Competition in Airdrie Sherriff Court on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March. The topic is Social Media is bad for your mental health. Well done to everyone involved.

B Lee

#### P SQA exam preparation

SQA exams begin this year on Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> April and run until Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June. We continue to encourage young people to take advantage of the many additional learning opportunities available within the school (lunch-time and after school) to provide support with classwork and assessment preparation.

B Lee

# P New S5/6 Options forms

All S4 and S5 students must return their course choice forms by Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> March. You must discuss your choices with your Pupil Support Teacher before handing in your form to your Tutor Teacher. Spare copies are available from the School Office.

### P Rights Respecting Schools

Our Rights Respecting Schools group held a competition last month to raise awareness of children's rights. Thank you to everyone who took part in the competition.

The winners were:

Kaitlyn Higgins - who received a Chilli's reusable water bottle

Holly Harrison – who received a book voucher

Mary McColl and Abbigail McArthur - who each received a pencil case and stationery

B Lee

# P Printing

Please remember that students can request to print an essay/assignment in B208.

B Lee

### P Blazer Exchange

We would love to receive donations of any unwanted items of school uniform, particularly school blazers, so that we can provide a 'blazer exchange'. When we have sufficient stock, we hope to offer students the opportunity to exchange their blazer for a new size. If we don't have your size available, a token would be given meantime. **Please note:** It would be helpful if blazers were washed before they are donated so that we can arrange the exchange quickly.

B Lee

#### P EMA - S5/6

EMA application forms can be collected from the School Office or downloaded from the South Lanarkshire Council website. On the Council website, click on 'Education and Learning', then 'Secondary School Information', then 'Education Maintenance Allowance'. If you need any help with this, please see Mr Robertson or your Pupil Support Teacher.

It is your responsibility to complete and send the application form.

When you receive an award letter with your EMA number on it, bring this to Mr Robertson who will then issue a copy of the Learning Agreement to be signed by your teachers and Parent/Carer. You should then return the completed Learning Agreement to Mr Robertson and the school office will then process your EMA.

Only when you have completed all of the above will the payment process begin. Please see Mr Robertson if you have any questions about EMA.

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