

TRIPS / OUTINGS / EVENTS

NEXT WEEK

6 th May	May Holiday	
7 th – 9 th May	House Assemblies	
8 th May	Parent Council Meeting	
9 th May	S1 Parents' Evening	

FORTHCOMING

15 th May	Clydesdale Cup (Carluk HS)	
16 th May	Lord Lieutenant's Public Speaking Competition, Airdrie Town Hall	
24 th & 27 th May	Bank Holiday Weekend	

Once confirmation has been given by HT/DHT, please detail briefly as above.

Full details of all pupils etc. **must** be given to departments at least one week before event.

No event should appear in NEXT WEEK section without first appearing in FORTHCOMING section

BULLETIN: This is an essential channel of communication with staff and pupils.

S BULLETIN ITEMS

Tutor Teachers– please read relevant items to pupils.

B Lee

S SMT OUT OF SCHOOL

7th May (pm) - AG – Markers Meeting.

10th May (all day) - AG – SQA Co-ordinators Meeting.

S SUPERVISION ROTA 2023/24

1. Interval

Staff on duty

Day	10:30 - 11:45	11:20 – 11:35
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		

2. Lunch

Day	1:15 – 1:35	1:35 – 1:55
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		

Volunteers to support interval/ lunch duty would be greatly appreciated.

S STAFF INFORMATION

Week beginning 20th May – Faculty Time

Tuesday, 14th May – Osiris CLPL – The Fountain, Lesmahagow

Wednesday, 22nd May – Literacy Coordinators' Meeting (in person, 8.30 – 12 noon)

P Monday, 6th May – May Holiday

Monday, 6th May is a holiday for all staff and students. School re-opens on Tuesday, 7th May. We hope everyone has a lovely holiday weekend.

B Lee

P SQA Exams

The 2024 SQA exam diet began on Monday, 22nd April. Well done to all Senior Phase students who have completed exams in the first two weeks and good luck with all exams throughout the exam period! Please let Mr Gray know if you have any questions regarding your exams.

B Lee

P Clydesdale Cup – S1 and S2 Football

Lesmahagow High School hosted the latest round of the Clydesdale Cup at the Glebe on Thursday, 25th April. Very well done to our S1/2 Girls' Football team, who won all three of their matches, winning 7-0 against Lanark, 2-1 against Carluke and 8-1 against Biggar! There was a great performance from our S1/2 Boys' Football team too, with a 3-0 win against Lanark, a 6-0 win against Biggar, and 2-0 win for Carluke. Overall, the success of both teams has contributed to our overall points total, and Lesmahagow now has 94 points in total, only four points behind the current leading school, Lanark Grammar School. Thank you to everyone who helped to organise the matches and well done to everyone who took part.

We look forward to the final round of the Clydesdale Cup, which takes place at the John Cummings Stadium in Carluke on Wednesday, 15th May, when a range of athletics events are scheduled.

B Lee

P Parent Council Meeting

Our next Parent Council Meeting takes place on Wednesday, 8th May, from 7.15 pm – 8.45 pm in the Conference Room, with an online option also available. New members are always welcome. Please contact the school office if any further information.

B Lee

P S1 Parents' Evening

S1 Reports were issued on Wednesday, 1st May, along with information about S1 Parents' Evening, which takes place on Thursday, 9th May. Please contact the school office if you have any questions about booking Parents' Evening appointments on School Cloud. We look forward to welcoming the parents and carers of all S1 pupils on Thursday.

B Lee

P S3 Reports and Parents' Evening

S3 Reports will be issued on Wednesday, 8th May, along with information about S3 Parents' Evening, which takes place on Wednesday, 29th May.

B Lee

P Mountain Bike Club

The mountain bike club will be having a ride-out on Friday, 3rd May. All are welcome. Meet in Room A003 at 12.45pm

S Rivans

P Clyde Wind Ensemble Children's Concert

The Clyde Wind Ensemble Children's Concert takes place on Saturday, 11th May in East Kilbride. The Clyde Wind Ensemble continue to provide a wonderful opportunity for young instrumentalists who choose to continue their musical journey beyond school. They perform to an incredibly high standard and have excelled on the national stage at the Scottish Concert Band Festival. Their Children's Concert promises to be a fun-packed occasion and is free to pupils and parents/carers. To sign up for free tickets, please use the link below: [Clyde Wind Ensemble Free Concert \(google.com\)](#)

B Lee

P Lost Property

A number of lost property items (including expensive outdoor jackets) remain unclaimed in the lost property store. Please check with Joan and Lynn if you have misplaced any items within the school.

B Lee

P Community

A reminder of the importance of placing litter in the bins provided. It is important that we look after the local environment and show respect for our community.

B Lee

P ParentsPortal

Thank you to all parents and carers who have signed up to ParentsPortal, our new digital communication service. ParentsPortal enables parents to update contact information, complete consent forms, view canteen menus and attendance information, link to ParentPay and other functions. From this session, school reports will also be available through ParentsPortal.

Further information can be found in the Parent letter issued last session at:

<http://www.lesmahagow.s-lanark.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Information-Letter-to-parents-and-carers.pdf> Please contact the school office if you require any further information.

B Lee

P 'Too good to go'

Unsold sandwiches/wraps/baguettes left over from lunch-time can be collected from a fridge in the Pupil Support corridor at the end of the school day or by arrangement with PTs Pupil Support/SMT/PTs Equity. Please speak to SMT, PTs Pupil Support or PTs Equity for further information.

Please also remember that a supply of toiletries are available in Mr Mallaghan's Pupil Support Office. There are also some porridge pots if anyone has missed breakfast.

B Lee

P Uniform

Our school uniform is:

- White shirt/blouse;
- School tie (red and black/ senior/ international);
- Plain black V-neck jumper or cardigan without logos;
- Black trousers/black skirt;
- School blazer, with option of braiding for S6;
- Plain black footwear (including laces); and
- P.E. kit (white, red or black t-shirt, black shorts).

Please speak to Mrs McCallum, your Pupil Support Teacher, Miss Leckenby, Mrs Miller or any member of SMT if you need any uniform items. Alternatively, you can request uniform items at the links below:

School uniform <https://forms.gle/AWcqcQ7seyd5c91i9>

We would welcome any donations of any pre-loved items of school uniform, particularly school blazers to add these to the supplies available to pupils. Please pass any donations to the School Office. Thank you.

B Lee

P Windfarm Connect2 Renewables Employability Fund – S4-S6 pupils

The following information about the Windfarm Connect 2 Renewables Employability Fund has been shared with S4-S6 pupils and posted in S4-S6 Google Classrooms:

Due to your proximity to the Kype Muir and Middle Muir windfarms, if you plan on leaving at the end of this school year, you could be entitled to up to £500 (if going to college/university) or £200 if going into employment/apprenticeship.

This is a grant payment that does not need to be paid back. The only real requirement is that you live within the required postcode areas.

I would encourage you all to apply if eligible - it is free money that could be really useful as you start your post-school journey.

To apply, you really just need to complete a form (copies of the form are available from the school) - but you won't receive the money until you start college/university as they will need to see your student card. You can make enquiries now though by contacting:

connect2renewables@southlanarkshire.co.uk or telephone 0800 9520 070

J Mallaghan

P Homework

Homework will be shared using Google Classroom. Please make sure you are a member of all your Google Classrooms, including your Year Group Google Classroom.

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P Young Scot Card and Free Bus Travel

If you need a new Young Scot Card, or still have to renew your card to access free bus travel, your Tutor teacher can give you a form to complete, which will allow us to apply for your card on your behalf. Completed forms should be returned to the School Office.

B Lee

P EMA – S5/6

EMA application forms can be 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.

D Robertson