HOME SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Hyndland News August 2017



Welcome to a new session here in Hyndland Secondary School. We hope you had a very enjoyable summer – although the weather was certainly not kind to us here in Glasgow!

Our S1 pupils are settling in very well and finding their way around the campus. They will be on their way to Barcaple during the week beginning 11th September 2017 for their residential experience. Exciting activities are planned for those pupils remaining in school.

We were delighted with the performance of our Senior Pupils in the recent SQA exams. Congratulations to all for the hard word and effort that went into achieving these results. Pupils have now settled into their S5-6 courses and are already working extremely hard for the next set of exams.

As many of you are aware Arnold Clark have very kindly donated the use of a minibus for the session and our aim is to fundraise to purchase this at the end of the financial year. This will help for both curricular and extra-curricular activities as the increasing costs of transport can make these very expensive. Please help us achieve our goal. The first event planned is a Quiz Night in Hughenden Rugby Club on the 6th October 2017. Please come along – if you can't manage then donations for the raffle will be very much appreciated!

Details of our Parents' Evenings etc. can be found at the back of this edition and I look forward to welcoming you at a forthcoming event and for your continued support during what I am sure will be another busy and exciting year here in Hyndland Secondary School!

Maura McNeil Head Teacher

SPORT LEADERS

Sport Leaders have been working with Western Tennis club in preparation for their visits to Hyndland Primary, Thornwood Primary and Whiteinch Primary to deliver some P.E. sessions. We are very proud of our pupils who look like a very strong group of leaders!



EXTRA CURRICULAR SIGN UP

We have had a fantastic time with S1 during

their extracurricular sign up days. They have had the opportunity to sign up to as many clubs as they would like within the P.E. department and we are really looking forward to seeing you all there!

S2-6 can also sign up to clubs by adding your name to the registers that are on the notice board outside the P.E. department. We can't wait to see you all again for another successful year of clubs!

		MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
		LUNCH	AFTER SCHOOL	LUNCH	AFTER SCHOOL	LUNCH	AFTER SCHOOL	LUNCH	AFTER SCHOOL	LUNCH	AFTER SCHOOL
ACTIVITY	GAMES HALL		Badminton				Netball	Short Tennis	Football – girls Basketball		
TEACHER			Mr Hall				Mrs Moore	Mr Hall	Miss Stewart		
Y. AMBASSADOR							Bella and Sumet	Catherine			
ACTIVITY	GYM		S1 Dance	MULTI SPORTS	Self Defence	Yoga	Dance	Multi Sports	Gymnastics	Dodgeball	
TEACHER			Coach	MR MACMORRIS	Coach	Miss Watt	Mrs Moore	Mr MacMorris	Mrs Elder	Miss Stewart	
Y. AMBASSADOR				Sport Leaders			Ursula and Heather	Sport Leaders	Mia		
ACTIVITY	FITNESS		Fitness	Fitness			Thai Boxing	Fitness	Running club	Fitness	
TEACHER	SUITE			Ms Charters			Mr Ali	Ms Charters	Mr McLaughlin	Mr Hall	
Y. AMBASSADOR											
ACTIVITY	PITCH				S3/4 football		S1/2 football		Rugby Stags		
TEACHER					Mr Downie		Mr Hall		Mr Matheson		
Y. AMBASSADOR							Mikey and Lee		Finlay Moyes		

Catriona Macdonald was selected to represent Scotland in the U21 Netball World Cup in Botswana in July!!! To quote Catriona......"I can't wait!!"

Well Done Catriona and we'll be watching you closely.

MUSIC

We are starting a new venture in the Music Department with the Live at Lunch series. These performances are on a Tuesday once a month and will take place in the Airlie Theatre at 1pm. All are welcome to attend - both pupils and staff! If anyone is interested in performing please see either Miss Smart or Mrs Holl. The first dates for this event are September 5th, October 3rd, November 7th, and December 5th.

SPERO MELIORA FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN 2017/2018

We are very excited to launch our 2017/2018 fundraising campaign, and hope that everyone will be able to support this in some way throughout the year.

Last session, Arnold Clark generously donated a minibus to the school for 12 months which we hope to purchase in the Spring. This vehicle has already proved invaluable in transporting pupils to sports fixtures, rewards trips and a wide variety of curricular and extracurricular activities. The campaign will also be supporting school trips, and the school fund ensuring that all pupils at Hyndland Secondary School have the best possible educational experience.

During the year there will be a number of fundraising events, however, should you wish to make a straight donation to the campaign, or to sponsor the minibus, please contact the school office for details on how you can do this.

QUIZ NIGHT

We would like to invite all parents and carers to come along and support our Quiz Night which will be held on Friday 6th October at Hughenden. Tickets are priced at £5 and are available NOW from the school office. With plenty of excellent prizes up for grabs, this should be a great way to start this year's fundraising campaign.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2018

To help raise school funds, we will be releasing a special 2018 calendar prior to Christmas. Should you or your business wish to sponsor a calendar month, please contact the school office for further information.

FUNDRAISING PRIZE DONATIONS

With a number of fundraising events being planned, we would welcome any suitable raffle/tombola/auction prizes which can be handed into the school office. Eg. vouchers, bottles, hampers, sports memorabilia, etc

TRADES HOUSE AWARDS

The following pupils won commendations at the Trades House in Glasgow and were presented on the 9th June 2017 Lee Larmour, Connor McAlpine, Jonathan Aitken. Well done boys.

JUNIOR MATHS CHALLENGE

Well done to the following pupils who achieved awards for the UMKT Junior Maths Challenge

Gold

Magnus MacMillan Eliza Kidd Eilidh Morley Hussain Haaris Stricevic Anna Aislinn Hastings Goss pastor Alex Hamilton Jack

<u>Silver</u>

Lewis Murdoch
Saskia Green
Robert Macluskey
Callum Piercy
Kate Yeadon

Serena Maxwell Travers
Scott Mackenzie
Tyler Swan
Carys Wilson

Bronze

Ben Murray smith Catriona Ferguson Wood Amy Ameer Abbas Lunardi Vinnie Woodrow Estelle Rishi Lalsinghani Bel Kohli Ciadh Takahashi Hamilton Mia Mccormick Hannah Рорру Compton Holly Hunter Joseph Martin Mia Steven Hussnain Kashif Lara Gutierrez Joe Bradstreet Charlie Reid Dylan McGinlay Liam Power Isabella Fail

Follow @Hyndland_Maths on twitter for updates about the Maths Department and much more!!!!

GSFA LISBON LIONS TROPHY

Well done to our S1/S2 team who reached the semi final of the inaugural GSFA Lisbon Lions Trophy at Celtic Football Club's training ground at Lennoxtown. The event, which was organised by Mr Downie, Glasgow Schools' Football Association and Celtic Football Club, brought together over 200 young people from 16 schools to celebrate the 50th anniversary of 11 local boys from Glasgow becoming the first British team to win the European Cup in 1967.

Celtic Chief Executive, Peter Lawwell said: "We were delighted to embrace this proposal from Mr Downie and the Glasgow Schools' Football Association. It is one which, in such a special year for the club will provide another very fitting tribute to the Lions. These great players, all from in and around Glasgow reached the very pinnacle of their profession and they lifted the greatest prize of all - but they started somewhere and in their early years started playing their football at school. They are the example to so many aspiring young players. Everyone at Celtic is delighted to support this great initiative and we are sure it is one which will bring huge benefits to the schools and players involved."

The tournament programme, which is available digitally on the school website, included contributions from sports journalists' Hugh Keevins and Hugh MacDonald, as well as Brendan Rodgers, Kieran Tierney, and John Clark.

Following a competitive and good spirited first day at Toryglen Football Centre, on 25th May, 4 teams qualified for the finals at Lennoxtown which were held on Monday 5th June. The four finalists were Hyndland Secondary School, Holyrood Secondary School, St Thomas Aguinas Secondary School and John Paul Academy.

Our boys were terribly unlucky to lose on penalties to St Thomas Aquinas after a competitive 1-1 draw in the semi finals, before John Paul Academy won the final to lift the trophy, presented by Lisbon Lion John Clark and former Celtic captain Tom Boyd.

Mr Downie and the school would like to thank the GSFA, Celtic Football Club and all the schools, young people and parents who contributed and took part to make the event such a great success.

The tournament was also a fitting end to what has been a remarkable year for football within the school, and we are looking forward to building on this after the summer holiday. Well done to all pupils across the school who have participated so positively throughout this year!!













We are becoming a Unicef UK Rights Respecting School!

Hyndland Secondary School aims to be a school where children's rights are at the heart of our ethos and culture, to improve well-being and to develop every child's talents and abilities to their full potential. As part of this plan we are working towards recognition as a 'Rights Respecting School', an award given to schools on behalf of Unicef UK.

Unicef is the world's leading organisation working for children and young people and their rights. In 1989, governments across the world agreed that all children have the same rights by adopting the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC). These rights are based on what a child needs to survive, grow, participate and fulfil their potential.

Hyndland pupils will learn about their rights by putting them into practice every day. A Rights Respecting School models rights and respect in all its relationships.

We really hope that you will be able to support our school on our journey towards becoming a Unicef UK Rights Respecting School. It would be great if you could spend a few minutes reading through our questions & answers on the back of this letter, and also find a bit more about the Convention on the Rights of the Child by visiting unicef.org.uk/crc.

For further information about Rights Respecting Schools please visit: www.unicef.org.uk/rrsa

Follow us on Twitter @HyndlandRRS

Yours sincerely,

The Rights Respecting Team

SCHOOL CAPTAINS

Hi ! We are Sophie Parke, Ethan Brodie, Finn Maxwell and Kitty McNeill and we are this year's school captains. This year we are keen to make sure that the captain role is an important one in improving the school community, and in order to do that properly we need help from everyone around the school. All opinions matter to us, and we are going to do our best to listen to every suggestion. A new Captain's board is going to go up in the Fuel Zone, and you will see us at assemblies the week starting the 11th of September.

Thanks!
School Captains

Becoming a Unicef UK Rights Respecting School QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

It is an exciting time in the life of Hyndland Secondary school. We have embarked on a journey which will benefit the whole school community, from pupils and staff to parents. Here's what we think you might like to know about it!

You might ask	As school leaders we think that
What is a Unicef UK Rights Respecting School?	When schools get involved, the children learn about their rights by putting them into practice every day.
	Children and adults will learn about the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) which outlines what children need to survive and thrive, becoming the best they can be and achieving their potential.
Why is this happening?	A Unicef UK Rights Respecting School models rights and respect in all its relationships, whether between adults and pupils, between pupils or between adults. It is proven to benefit everyone in the school community to grow and learn together. Read more about the Award at www.unicef.org.uk/rrsa
How will becoming a Rights Respecting School benefit my child(ren)?	This approach works in many schools across the country to improve well-being and develop every child's talents and abilities to their full potential. Headteachers from schools involved in the Award say it has improved children's and young people's respect for themselves and others and contributed to children and young people being more engaged in their learning.
How can I get involved?	We hope you will support the school's journey to become a Unicef UK Rights Respecting School. Please do read about the Convention and Unicef's work (see below) to see what it's all about!
What is the Convention on the Rights of the Child?	In 1989, governments worldwide promised all children the same rights by adopting the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. The Convention recognised that all children have the right to be treated with dignity and fairness, to be protected, to develop to their full potential and to participate. The rights in the Convention describe what a child needs to survive, grow, and live up to their potential in the world. They apply equally to every child, no matter who they are or where they

	come from.
	The Convention changed the way children are viewed and treated – in other words, as human beings with a distinct set of rights instead of as passive objects of care and charity. It is the most widely ratified human rights treaty – only the United States has not ratified it. The UK signed up to it in 1991.
	You can read more about it at www.unicef.org.uk/crc and download a summary of the articles at bit.ly/CRC-over11
What is Unicef?	Unicef is the world's leading organisation for children and young people, promoting the rights and wellbeing of every child, in everything they do. Together with their partners, Unicef works in 190 countries to translate that commitment into practical action.
	Unicef UK is a registered charity. It raises funds through donations from individuals, organisations and companies and campaigns to keep children safe. Unicef UK also works with schools, hospitals and local authorities in the UK to put children at the heart of what they do.
	To find out more about Unicef, go to www.unicef.org.uk

Please do get in touch with us if you would like to know more.

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SUBJECTS

HISTORY

A reminder that all S3-S6 pupils studying History have been given a letter about the proposed trip to the First World War battlefields in June 2018. Deposits and tear-off slips should be returned to Mr Thomson or Mr Matheson by Friday 15th September.

MODERN STUDIES

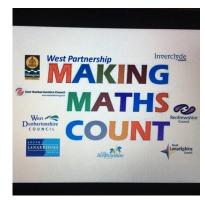
S4 pupils will be heading to the Scottish Parliament on Wednesday 13th September. During the visit, pupils will be able to watch the debates on the Scottish government's recently-announced economic plan and will meet with MSPs to learn about the work they do in parliament. Should be a fantastic experience for all!



Hyndland celebrates Maths Week Scotland!

September 11th-15th is Maths Week Scotland, a celebration of all things Maths! We are celebrating with prize quizzes and challenges across the school and at home, taking part in national competitions from sumdog and 'maths wi nae borders', finding out at Glasgow University how to get away with murder using maths and working with our local partners to promote maths in everyday life!

Please check our twitter page @Hyndland_Maths to keep up to date with our celebrations, and tweet us to let us know where you use Maths at home, work and every day! #mathsweekscot



ENGLISH

The English Department had a lovely start to the new term with our annual trip to Stratford-Upon-Avon. The students involved loved spending time in the quaint, historic town which really allowed them to place their existing knowledge about William Shakespeare in context. The students visited Shakespeare's Birthplace, Anne Hathaway's Cottage and Shakespeare's grave site in Holy Trinity Church. We also took in two productions at the Royal Shakespeare Company; 'Julius Caesar' and 'Titus Andronicus'. The students involved were engaged and showed real interest across the whole weekend. We can't wait to go back and have started planning for next year!

The Advanced Higher English class are visiting the Theatre Royal on Thursday 7th September to watch a production of Tennessee Williams' 'A Streetcar Named Desire'. This is one of the plays they will be studying this session as part of their Literary Study unit and we a so lucky that there is a performance see. It really will make the drama texts read in the classroom feel more alive!

The annual S1 pantomime visit this year is 'Sleeping Beauty' at the King's Theatre. The cost of the trip is £17 and includes an ice cream at the interval. All S1 pupils should have had an information letter and consent form. If not, they should see Mrs Deeney in L209 ASAP to secure their place. Thanks!

PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT GROUP.

This session the school are establishing a Parental Engagement Group consisting of staff and parents/carers. The group look to develop ways in which the school works with and engages with parents/carers.

If you would like to be part of this group please contact Mr Greechan via the school office indicating your interest.

Live at Lunch

When: @ lpm on...

- Tuesday 5th September
- Tuesday 3rd October
- Tuesday 7th November
- Tuesday 5th December

Where: Airlie Theatre

Who:

All staff and pupils are warmly invited; especially those who receive instrumental lessons can come along to watch for free.

 Anyone learning an instrument in or out of school can sign up to perform.
 Come to the music base to sign up.













S4 POLLOCK PARK BIOLOGY FIELD TRIP

On Monday 28th and Tuesday 29th August, S4 pupils studying National 5 Biology visited Pollock Park to work on their sampling techniques as part of their Life on Earth unit. Despite rain on the Monday, pupils on both days worked extremely hard and showed great enthusiasm as they learned to use quadrats, transect lines, and even got into the river to try some kick sampling for indicator species. Particular thanks go to Mrs Samuel, and all staff who helped, for organising this fantastic opportunity for pupils.

HIGHER BIOLOGY PCR WORKSHOP

This year, all Higher biology students were given the opportunity to attend a PCR Workshop at Glasgow University on Thursday 31st August. The workshop offers pupils a fantastic opportunity to gain experience in PCR techniques and applications through lectures and laboratory work as part of their first Higher unit on DNA and the Genome. Thank you to Mrs Kennedy for organising and to all staff involved.

S2 BAE STEM Workshop

On Monday 4th September S2 attended a roadshow delivered on behalf of BAE Systems, the RAF and the Royal Navy. Pupils were treated to a show which featured drones and robots and they learned about the systems that are used to control these. The robot 'Maya' was particularly impressive as she was able to follow commands such as 'sit down' and 'do tai chi'. Pupils were able to engage with real life applications of STEM subjects and start to think about possible future career paths in STEM. Many thanks to Miss Neilson and all staff who helped make this possible.

S1 SCIENCE CLUB

S1 Science club with Mr MacVicar runs every Wednesday lunchtime in Room A208. Each week we carry out a range of fun activities and experiments for pupils and they can often take home anything that is made during Science Club. Over the next few weeks we will be producing slime, growing sensitive plants, investigating our senses and making items based around Halloween and Guy Fawkes Night. Over the course of the year, we will also participate in science based projects, some of which are competitions aimed at schools by big name companies. Pupils are encouraged to bring along any ideas that they have or have seen elsewhere.

S1 SCIENCE PUPILS INTRODUCTION

It has been fantastic to welcome our new S1 pupils into the science department, and we have been delighted by their enthusiasm and hard work so far as they complete their Safety and Introduction unit. Pupils have been learning to use basic apparatus safely before they begin carrying out more complex investigations and experiments as the year goes on.

HYNDLAND EXPEDITION 2018

Information letters were issued to pupils in June with additional updates in August. As we move through the year, pupils can expect short lunchtime meetings every 1-2 weeks to allow for information to be shared, forms to be completed, letters distributed and fundraising efforts managed. All team members are expected to be available for bag packing on Sunday 8th October at Sainsburys in Drumchapel, information on transport and times will be sent out ahead of this in September. Regular fitness sessions will begin shortly for all team members (and staff!) thanks to our school sports leaders as we begin to ramp up preparations ahead of next summer's expedition. We would like to remind everyone that monthly payments should continue to be made regularly to allow us to meet payment deadlines with Operation Wallacea











Primary Transition News – Session 2017/2018

Up-coming events / dates regarding Primary-Secondary Transition

September onwards

During the months of September – January, the Maths and English Departments will be working in our learning community primary schools. Staff will be working with Primary 7 classes on literacy and numeracy to help support the transition to secondary school.

Thursday 5th October 6pm

Primary 7 Information Evening at Hyndland Secondary School – begins at **6pm** in the Airlie Theatre – this evening is open to all parents/carers and primary 7 students. This is the first information evening of the year and will provide information about the transition process and the S1 curriculum here at Hyndland.

Thursday 15th March 6pm

Primary 7 Open Evening. This event allows parents and primary 7 children to step into the life of a first year pupil at Hyndland Secondary School. Departments will showcase work undertaken in the S1 curriculum and current S1 students will be on hand to answer any questions about the school as well as providing practical demonstrations of the skills they have learnt so far at Hyndland.

Tues 22nd & Wed 23rd May

Primary 7 Induction Days at Hyndland Secondary School

Wednesday 23rd May 6pm

Primary 7 Information Evening – Airlie Theatre for all parents/carers

and primary 7 students

We very much look forward to welcoming parents/carers and primary 7 students to Hyndland during this coming session. If you have any questions about the primary/secondary transition programme please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Forrester at Hyndland Secondary School who will be happy to answer any questions.

School Merit System

Students in S1-S3 have been working hard since the start of the new term to collect Merits for outstanding effort, achievement and attitude in class. Students have been provided with information at year group assemblies and during PST time about how they can collect merits. Already over 300 merits have been awarded to S1-S3 since we started back in August! The dates below show the cut off dates for each block of merits – we will count the merits at each cut-off date and the top 30 students in each year group will be treated to a reward event. Parents will receive a text message to let them know the total number of merits that their son/daughter received. Please ask your son/daughter how many merits they have – they will receive a regular update in PSE so they should be able to tell you!

End of Merit period 1	6/10/17
Merit reward event 1	Wk beginning 09/10/17
End of Merit period 2	15/12/17
Merit reward event 2	Wk beginning 18/12/17
End of Merit period 3	16/02/18
Merit reward event 3	Wk beginning 19/02/18
End of Merit period 4	27/04/18
Merit reward event 4	Wk beginning 30/04/18
End of Merit period 5	15/06/18
Merit reward event 5	Wk beginning 18/06/18





Attendance at Hyndland



At Hyndland Secondary School we are fully committed to help each and every one of our learners achieve their full potential. One important ingredient to success at school is excellent attendance. We are extremely proud of the high standards which our young people meet and are grateful of the support which we receive from parents/carers with regards to maintaining excellent levels of attendance across our school.

Every school day counts:

95% attendance	= 9 days of absence missed in a school year	= 1 week and 4 days of learning missed
90% attendance	= 19 days of absence missed in a school year	= 3 weeks and 4 days of learning missed
85% attendance	= 27 days of absence missed in a school year	= 5 weeks and 3 days of learning missed
80% attendance	= 36 days of absence in a school year	= 7 weeks and 3 days of learning missed
75% attendance	= 45 days of absence in a school year	= 9 weeks and 1 day of learning missed

There is much we can achieve by working together to maintain high levels of attendance. Please remember to call the school and speak to your young person's Pastoral Care Teacher if you would like any information or advice regarding attendance.

HYNDLAND HAPPENINGS (Including holiday and in-service dates for Session 2017/2018)			
Thursday 14 September 2017	S5/6 Which way now?		
Friday 22 & Monday 25 September 2017	Holiday		
Thursday 28 September 2017	S4 Study Skills		
Thursday 5 October 2017	P7 Information Evening – 6.00pm		
Thursday 12 October 2017	Parent Council Meeting		
Friday 13 October 2017	In- Service		
Monday 16 – Friday 20 October 2017	Holiday		
Wednesday 1 November 2017	S3 Parents Evening - 4.15pm		
Tuesday 14 November 2017	S1 Parents Evening – 4.15pm		
Thursday 23 November 2017	Parent Council Meeting		
Thursday 30 November 2017	S4-6 Targeted Evening – 4.15pm		
Tuesday 12 December 2017	Christmas Concert – 7.00pm		
Wednesday 13 December 2017	Carols by Candlelight – 7.30pm		
Wednesday 20 December 2017	School Closes		
Thursday 4 January 2018	School Returns		
Thursday 18 January 2018	Parent Council Meeting		
Monday 15 – Friday 26 January 2018	S4–6 Prelims		
Monday 12 & Tuesday 13 February 2018	Mid Term Holiday		
Wednesday 14 February 2018	In-Service		
Thursday 15 February 2018	S4 Parents Evening – 4.15pm		
Thursday 22 February 2018	S2 & S5 & 6 Information Evening		
Tuesday 27 February 2018	S5 & 6 Parents Evening – 4.15pm		
Thursday 15 March 2018	P7 Information Evening - 6.00pm		
Thursday 22 March 2018	Parent Council Meeting		
Friday 30 March – Friday 13 April 2018	Spring Holiday		
Wednesday 18 April 2018	S2 Parents Evening – 4.15pm		
Monday 7 May 2018	May day Holiday		
Tuesday 8 May 2018	In-Service		
Monday 14 –Friday 18 May 2018	I.D.L. Week		
Monday 14 –Friday 18 May 2018	Blairvadach		

Tuesday 22 & Wednesday 23 May 2018	P7 (2) Day Visit.
Wednesday 23 May 2018	P7 Information Evening – 6.00pm
Friday 25 & Monday 28 May 2018	May weekend Holiday
Thursday 7 June 2018	Parent Council Meeting
Friday 22 June 2018	Awards Ceremony
Monday 25 th June 2018	Rewards Trip
Tuesday 26 June 2018	School Closes

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