

## JOHNSTONE HIGH SCHOOL



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# Summer 2022

Mrs Hollywood tells us what's new in the Summer session

Welcome to our summer edition of the Johnstone High School newsletter for session 2021/22. It will give you a flavour of life in the school over the past few months, and I am delighted to report that things are increasingly getting back to 'business as usual' in terms of exams, clubs, trips and welcoming parents and carers back into our building.

## **Pupils**

This term has seen a range of sporting, music and art successes. We had a terrific showing at the Renfrewshire Schools dance competition (another trophy for the cabinet), ongoing success for the senior boys football team, a great set of results at the recent Renfrewshire athletics, and of course, great dedication from all our sports teams (ranging from badminton to football), both male and female.

Music successes this term have included Josh in S6 coming runner up in the Renfrewshire Young Musician of the Year competition, and our summer concert which allowed pupils of all ages and stages to showcase their abilities in front of friends and family for the first time since 2019. We are proud of all of our talented young people.

Of course, the weeks up to Easter were very much focused on preparing for the SQA diet that began at the end of April. Booster classes, Easter school and masterclasses the day before each SQA exam were all in place to give our seniors extra help. We received positive feedback from pupils, parents and staff on this programme of attainment support and will put in place a similar programme next session. Results will be with pupils on August 9th and Ms Davidson has written to seniors and their parents about the new appeals process.

I am so pleased that we have finally been able to plan trips and residentials over the summer term. Mr Brooks and a team of staff helpers have led a large number of pupils on Duke of **Edinburgh Award expeditions** over May and June, allowing the pupils to qualify for their Bronze award. Mrs Carlin has also taken a number of pupils to employability events over the summer term. Everyone is really excited that we have activities day planned for Monday 27th June with approx. 200 pupils scheduled to be out and about at Blair Drummond, Millport, Inflatanation, Landmark and golf. And finally, Mr McGivern and his intrepid team of staff

have planned for another World Challenge – Nepal 2024.

I must give special comment and praise to a fabulous cohort of S6 who finished just after Easter weekend. They have been outstanding throughout the session and finished their last few days in school with dressing up, graduation and a brilliant farewell day at Lapwing Lodge. We were bussed up to the Braes early morning, and the pupils were able to dip in and out of a range of activities including sumo wrestling, archery, high ropes and canoeing, followed by a burger lunch cooked by staff. A great day was had by all. The S6 rounded off their S6 experience with an amazing Prom at the Glynhill Hotel. Gorgeous young people who were a credit to their families!

June has seen our new S6 undergo befriender training and then go on to do a marvellous job looking after our p7 pupils who came for their three day visit. I have high hopes for our new seniors who have had a great start. Prefect voting is currently underway and I am looking forward to introducing you to our new pupil leadership team in the Autumn newsletter.

### Staff

This term we have said goodbye to a number of staff who have either retired, been promoted, or moved on to pastures new:

- Mr Munro, DHT retiral
- Miss Purves, Home Economics - retiral
- Mrs Prescott, Home Economics classroom assistant – retiral
- Mrs Irving retiral
- Ms Moffat retiral
- Mr Menzies, DHT promotion
- Mrs Croucher, Office manager
   promotion
- Mrs Cullen, History/Modern Studies - promotion
- Miss Wilson, Pastoral Support
   promotion
- Mr Stevenson, PE promotion
- Miss De Stefano, Classroom assistant – new school
- Mr Brooks, Computing new school
- Miss McFadden, PT (acting) Pastoral Support

Mr McGinty has joined our PE department. Ms Lea has joined our office team.

Ms Davidson and Ms Price have joined the senior leadership team on an acting capacity, taking over Mr Munro and Mr Menzies' responsibility areas.

In August we will be welcoming many more new staff to a number of areas of the school, and I will introduce them in the Autumn newsletter.

### **Parents**

Thank you to the 300+ parents who responded to our survey about school improvement priorities and your preferences for parents' evenings next session. More on the parents' evening consultation later in the newsletter. Our school improvement plan is currently under construction – using your feedback – and I will ensure this goes out to you in the new term. It will also be on our website

At the start of each session, I write to parents with arrangements for the year ahead, and in the pack there usually contains:

- Welcome letter from Head Teacher
- Calendar
- Religious observance opt-out
- Photo/video permission
- Data check (your contact details)
- Parent council info and application etc

The pack will be coming out to you over the summer holiday period. We will have paper packs for any families who prefer this, but the main communication method is now online, via 'parent portal'. You can access this via the council website. If you have any issues with parent portal, please call the office on 0300 300 1331.

Finally, if you need to speak to us your first point of contact is your child's house team:

### **Arran House**

Principal Pastoral Support Mr Rainey

Depute Head Teacher Mrs O'Malley

### **Iona House**

Principal Pastoral Support Miss Docherty

Depute Head Teacher Ms Cole

### **Mull House**

Acting Principal Pastoral Support Miss McFadden

Acting Depute Head Teacher Ms Davidson

## Skye House

Principal Pastoral Support Mr Kennedy

Acting Depute Head Teacher Ms Price

I wish you and your family a wonderful summer break and I look forward to welcoming your child back to school on Tuesday 16th August 2022 at 8.45am.

Lynne Holywood.

## **DIARY DATES**

28 June 202022 - last day of term school closes at 1:00 p.m.

In-service days

12 August 2022 in-service days for staff

15 August 2022 in-service days for staff

16 August 2022 school re-opens for pupils

## PUPIL ATTENDANCE

ttendance at school is essential to ensure that all our pupils reach their full potential and maximise their attainment. If your child is absent from school for any reason then you must phone the school before 9.30am to inform us of the reason for their absence and they should also bring in a note to the school office on the first day of their return to school. If your child's attendance falls below an acceptable level you will receive attendance letters, phone calls from their pastoral care teacher and you may be invited into the school for a meeting to discuss your child's attendance and how we can work together to improve

Timekeeping is an important life skill which prepares our young people for the world of work. To improve timekeeping and keep you informed of your child's timekeeping there is a late book every morning where the reason for lateness and time of arrival are recorded. If your child is repeatedly late then you will be contacted by your child's pastoral care teacher who may put them on a timekeeping card and if this does not improve the timekeeping you will be invited to school for a meeting to discuss how we can work together to improve their timekeeping. If a pupil is 10 minutes late each day this is the equivalent of missing a full lesson each week.

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The school phone number is

0300 300 1331

If you need to contact the school you should always get in touch with your child's Pastoral Care teacher. You can do this by telephone or email:

## **The Pastoral Care teachers are:**

### **Arran House**

Mr Rainey email:

daniel.rainey@renfrewshire.school

## **Iona House**

Ms Kaitlyn Docherty

email:

kaitlyn.docherty@renfrewshire.school

## **Mull House**

Ms McFadden Acting PT

email:

gw19mcfaddenamy@glow.sch.uk

Mr Kennedy

email:

liam.kennedy@renfrewshire.school

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

## Free school meals (FME) & clothing grant (CG)

If you received free school meals/clothing grant last session you should receive a letter to your home address. If there are no changes to your circumstances, complete and

return to the council

If you have had a change of circumstances, or are applying for the first time, please complete an application form

These are located on the council website, or paper copies will be available from

mid-June from schools.

## The level of clothing grant is £150 per eligible pupil

If you have not received your clothing grant after three weeks, phone the council.

## **APPROVED UNIFORM**

Navy school blazer (Braiding on S6 blazers) White shirt School tie Black trousers Black skirt Black cardigan/ V neck jumper Black shoes

## **PEKIT**

Royal blue Johnstone High t-shirt (see picture) or a plain royal blue t-shirt Dark shorts, dark tracksuit bottoms or dark sports leggings Trainers (different footwear to school shoes) For outdoor PE, in adverse weather, pupils should bring appropriate warm clothes e.g. a hoodie, jacket, waterproofs







## SAVE THE CHILDREN

## 2022 Ukrainian fundraiser

On Friday 1st April 2022, Johnstone High School held a fundraiser to raise money for Save The Children, donating all proceeds to their Ukraine Appeal.

Many pupils and staff were involved in the organisation of the event, which included face painting, a donation for glow sticks, a mass lunch time dance, as well as donations for blue and yellow ribbons kindly put together by some of our first year pupils. As it was the last day of term pupils wore the Ukrainian flag colours blue and vellow for non-uniform day. In addition to the whole school events, two of our teachers, Mr Smith (Psychology) and Miss Smith (Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies) took part in a non-stop 6-hour dance-athon, beginning at 8.45 and ending at 2.45, inspired by Sophie Ellis-Bextor's dancea-thon for Children in Need. This took place in the school reception and they were joined by many VIP's, including office staff, pupils and the Senior Management Team! By the end of the day, they had racked up an impressive 40,000 steps each!

It was a really great day thoroughly enjoyed by all. We were overwhelmed by the support of participation of the pupils for such an important cause. Through online donations Mr and Miss Smith raised £300 and in school £827.64 was raised, bringing our total to £1,127.64. We really hope this donation will go towards helping the lives of those who are facing awful circumstances out of their control.





# PARENTS' EVENING SURVEY

The Covid 19 pandemic resulted in several restrictions on school life. One of these was the lack of access to the school building for parents and carers. To ensure we were still able to report on your child's progress effectively, we moved to online parents' evenings. Overall, these were very successful and acted as a good

substitute for the in-person meetings. After consultation with both staff and parents, the decision has been made to return to in-person parents' evenings next session. Whilst there were benefits to the new system, parents and carers highlighted the importance of visiting the school building, having the opportunity to view pupil work and of meeting staff in person. 2022-2023 parents' evenings have been scheduled as follows:

S1 - Thursday, 9th March 2023

S2 – Thursday, 9th February 2023

S3 – Tuesday, 24th January 2023

S4 – Thursday, 10th November 2022

S5/6 – Tuesday, 22nd November 2022

## 16+ INFORMATION

Our timetable changed on 30th May and since then Ms Price has worked hard to fill in any blanks and sort out any issues with option choices before the end of term. Most of our learners now seem to have the subjects they want although

there may be some changes in August once the SQA exam results are published. Ms Price will be available on Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th August 2022 for recoursing where required.

On weeks beginning 6.6.22 and 13.6.22 our Senior pupils were able to attend induction days at college for their new courses. All seems to have gone well and our pupils have enjoyed their induction days.

Advanced Higher courses are already underway with some of our S6s already attending classes at other schools. While we aim to provide as many opportunities as we can in-house, the consortium arrangement gives our learners access to wider expertise across the local authority.



## Ms Davidson Acting Depute Head

Another aspect of school life which returned to normal this session was the SQA exam diet. Although exams can be a nerve-racking time for everyone involved, we were delighted to welcome our invigilation team back into the building to deliver the exam diet fully this year. The sight of an exam hall full

of 130 young people achieving their potential was quite moving for the staff and it served as a wonderful reminder of all that the Johnstone High community has worked so hard to overcome in recent years. As usual, our young people were a credit to themselves throughout the diet and we look forward to sharing in their achievements on the 9th August. There's still time to sign up to receive results by text or email. This can be accessed on the SQA website.

All senior phase pupils should have received a letter explaining the appeals process. If you do not have a copy of this, please contact the school office.

## MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTS

The Exchange Counselling Service

If pupils find they are struggling with their mental health they can self refer during the summer holidays to the exchange counselling service by filling in a referral form through their website via the following link

https://www.exchangecounselling.com/new-referral

## **SHOUT**

SHOUT is a 24/7 text service where anyone, of any age, can text if they are struggling to cope or need mental health support.

This service is free and confidential.

Texting 'REN10' to 85258 is anonymous and will not show

up on your phone bill

Togetherall (for young people aged 16-25)

Togetherall is a safe, online community where people support each other anonymously to improve mental health and wellbeing.

FREE to all aged 16-25 in Renfrewshire.

You can speak to other people around the world, experiencing similar things to you.

Register for FREE with your Renfrewshire postcode today. Head to

https://account.v2.togetheral.com/register/area

## **Parental Supports**

**REN 10 Parent Drop Ins** 

We have 2 Parent Drop Ins open over the summer - this is an opportunity for you to speak to a trained professional about concerns you have with your child.

Please note - children should not attend this appointment

1- Renfrew Drop In (Wednesdays 9am-12.30pm) - weekly

Renfrew YMCA, 3 Canal Street, Renfrew, PA4 8QS

2- Johnstone (Thursdays 9am-12.30pm)- fortnightly over the summer - July 14th,

28th, August 11th

Station 7 Community Hub, 16 Quarry Street, Johnstone.

## SENIORS' UPDATE

## Ms Davidson Acting Depute Head

### **Prom**

During the school year, it became clear that restrictions were going to be lifted early enough for an S6 Prom. This is always a special event for the school, and we have really missed it from our June calendar.

Miss Vernal and the S6 Prom Committee have worked hard all year to organise a night to remember for our young people and, on the 7th June at the Glynhill Hotel in Renfrew, we saw all this hard work come to fruition in all its sparkly splendour. With no expense or effort spared, our young people and the venue looked outstanding. Pupils danced into the night pausing only to visit the photobooth for some selfies. A great send off for a great year group.



## SALTIRE UPDATE

## Ms Davidson **Acting Depute Head**



The Saltire Award is an award which recognises "Youth Volunteering in Scotland" and is endorsed by the Scottish Government. Being involved in volunteering helps pupils to improve their employability skills and confidence. So many of our pupils dedicate their time to helping others and this award allows us to recognise their contributions. Different levels of certificate can be achieved depending on the number of hours pupils register.

This year 47 of our S6 pupils worked hard to achieve a certificate and between them

they logged 2732 hours which is outstanding. Pupils engaged with volunteering both in school and across the wider community. Here you can see them transforming one of our science classrooms into a beautiful study space. All pupils involved have made such an incredible impact on both the school and the organisations they volunteered with.

Certificates are currently being claimed and will be posted out to pupils early in August. Those who have logged a significant number of hours will be invited back to receive special recognition at our upcoming Senior Awards Ceremony.

The Saltire Award process has already started for session 2022-23 and pupils are very enthusiastic. Already, 60 pupils have signed up to work towards an award and started to engage in volunteering. Pupils so far have been volunteering in classes, helping at school

events, and supporting young pupils at lunch times.

Any S6 pupils who have not vet signed up but want to be involved can find out more information by joining the Saltire Team (Code: cpcypk).







PREFECTS / CAPTAINS The 2022-2023 captaincy form and outlined why they From this team, we will then would be excellent candidates for this role. The quality of the

election programme is already underway and we are delighted with how many young people have chosen to get involved in this. At the start of June. pupils in S5 and S6 were asked if they would like to apply to be a school prefect. Almost 100 young people completed a short application

applications was exceptional and we are sure this is going to be a strong leadership team within the school. Voting is currently underway and the successful candidates will be contacted before the start of the new term.

select our school captains and vice captains. Pupils interested in this role will be interviewed by a staff panel. This process will take place in the first two weeks of the new term.

We are really looking forward to seeing what this team will achieve in the school.

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As you will know, after Easter, there was a change of staffing for our house groups. Having been newly appointed to the

**Acting Depute Head** 

senior leadership team, I was delighted to be allocated the Head of House role for Mull House. I was appointed as Principal Teacher of Music at Johnstone High back in 2016 and, in that time, I have built positive relationships with pupils and families in, and out-with, my department. I am enjoying the challenge of getting to know the pupils and

families of Mull house and have been working closely with Mrs Wilson to find out all about my new, much larger team. I am looking forward to getting to know you and to supporting you through your time at Johnstone High.

## ARRAN HOUSE Mrs O'Malley Mrs O'Malley

Mrs O'Malley

**Depute Head** 

I am delighted to be the new head of Arran House. Mr Rainey and myself will be working together to ensure that all our pupils are fully supported to reach their full potential. Already it has been a joy to see all the fabulous achievements of Arran house pupils at the junior awards ceremony and the wider achievement awards ceremony.

Lots of our senior pupils have embraced the challenges and responsibilities in S6 taking part in MVP and befriender training. What an amazing group of young people they are. They were all fabulous during our P7 three day visit supporting and looking after our new S1 pupils.

It has been amazing to see where all our leavers are moving on to after school. We have young people moving on to employment, training, college, apprenticeships, graduate apprenticeships and university. It's sad for us to see them go, but we wish them all the very best of luck and we would love them to come back

and let us know how they're getting on.

I'm looking forward to welcoming all our Arran pupils back to school in August. The Arran house team will be working with pupils to ensure they are embracing our school values and working hard to achieve to the best of their ability.

I hope you all have an enjoyable and relaxing summer break.

## SKYE HOUSE UPDATE

Ms Price
Acting Depute Head

I'm Katrina Price and I'm the new House Leader for Skye House. I was previously Principal Teacher of Modern Languages here at Johnstone High School. I'm delighted to be working with Mr Kennedy to support all the young people of Skye House and am looking forward to welcoming our new S1s to the school in August, it was great to meet some of them during their transition days. I'm also looking forward to working closely with our new Skye House Leadership Team from August, to hear their ideas and concerns, to help make Skye the best house in Johnstone High.

This term has seen our Skye House Seniors working hard to prepare for their SQA Exams – the first since 2019 – and while it has been a difficult adjustment for some, having been used to the Alternative Certification Model that was in place during the pandemic, they have risen to the challenge.

Our S1 to S3 pupils have also been working hard as shown

by the number of Skye pupils who achieved an award at the Junior Awards Ceremony. Having only recently taken over as House Leader, I was really impressed and proud to see so many of our Skye House young people in the hall to receive their awards and it was really lovely to be able to welcome our parents and carers back into the school to help us celebrate.

Skye House pupils also achieved great success at our first Wider Achievement Awards. Here, again, I was so impressed by the wide range of awards our pupils received and by their commitment to their extra-curricular activities both in and out of school. Our Wider Achievement Awards will be issued twice yearly and I'm really looking forward to see how many of our young people get recognised and rewarded for their efforts.

On 30th May our timetable changed with each year group moving up to the next. We said goodbye to our former S6s at our graduation ceremony on the 21st of April. We wish them all the very best for their future endeavours.

# IONA HOUSE UPDATE

Ms Cole
Depute Head

As always it has been an absolute pleasure to lead and support Iona house this session. As pupils have been entering through house doors (without masks!!!) we have been able to see all your lovely faces every morning. This really does brighten our day!

Our pupils have settled in beautifully into their new timetables and we were so impressed by the way that our S6 befrienders supported our new pupils during their transition visits from Primary School.

It has also been so encouraging to see so many senior lona pupils applying for the role of School Prefects this term. We are looking forward to seeing which pupils were successful and who will apply for house captain roles in August.

The summer term has been all about celebrating success. At our first 'in-person' awards ceremony for over two years we were delighted to see so many S1-S3 Iona pupils achieving certificates to

mark their successes in lots of different subject areas. I was delighted to hand out individual house awards to Dylan Brown, Ellie Ibbotson and Isla McArthur for their superb attitudes to learning this session. Well done!

This was followed by our Wider Achievement awards ceremony where S1-S6 pupils were introduced to our new Colours system. This was designed to recognise and celebrate the achievements of pupils both in and out of school in Sports, Community or Creative Arts. With over 30 pupils being recognised we were immensely proud of all our Iona house pupils.

As the term closes, we wish all our pupils a safe and happy summer break and look forward to seeing you all in August looking smart and shiny in your uniforms.

**Best Wishes** 

Ms Cole and Ms Docherty

# DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

The Design and Technology department have been working hard to support our young people in accessing their learning throughout the different challenges this year has brought us. Throughout the year we have been working on developing and improving the curriculum to meet the needs of all and promote creative learning projects. This has seen the introduction of an Engineering Science Project in S1 and a new Trophy Design Project in S2.

## **S1 Water For Life**

This year we introduced a new unit of work focusing on Engineering and Structures with our Water for Life project. Supporting our S1 learners in understanding key areas of energy, sustainability, gears, structures, and engineering. To enhance their experience learners used a variety of learning tools such as functional gear simulators, K'nex, Build a Bridge online game and learner presentations. We were delighted with the response this project was met with and the quality of final tower designs and presentations. Congratulations S1.

**S2 Trophy Design** 

Another new project in Design & Technology was our S2 Trophy Design Project. All of our S2 learners were set a brief to design and manufacture award trophies to be handed



out to recipients at the end of term. Learners were focusing on designing modern, creative and stable designs that they could manufacture using their own practical skills. This saw a huge variety of designs and approaches from our learners making the judging of the final designs extremely challenging. From all the beautiful trophies 21 designs were selected and replicated to hand out as awards at our Junior Awards Ceremony. Congratulations to those who had the winning designs:

Kady McGuire, Evan Dickie, Robbie Porter, Samantha Shone, Rachel Donnelly, Leni Hawke, Lucy McDonald, Eilidh Watt, Hayden Sibley, Aidan Grady, Anna Biondi, Isabelle Holloway, Orla Byrne, Teigan Millar, Allanah Blakely, Sofia Waldron, Aili Barker, Ellie Ibbotson, Emi Holt, Ayla Barbour and Grace McMahon.

## NPA Silversmithing & Jewellery

We have also been working on the Wider Curricular options in the department with the introduction of NPA (National Progression Award) Silversmithing & Jewellery and NPA Construction Skills this coming session.



The new Silversmithing class have been working hard since timetable change to develop their practical skills ahead of

the coursework units in the new session. This has seen our young people gaining confidence and experience in: Heat treating metal, piercing metal, measuring & marking out, surface texturing and creating surface textures. The results have been fantastic, with our learners creating material samples and horizontal bar bracelets to a good quality even at this early stage. We are looking forward to seeing how their confidence builds and their skills develop further.

## **NPA Construction Skills**

This session we have two classes of Construction Skills running in the department focusing on a variety of construction field skills such as Joinery, Painting, Behaviour in Construction and Practical Skills development. Since timetable change our young people have been focusing on safe working practices, basic joinery skills, creating their own woodworking joint samples and careers in construction. Throughout the year learners will be supported in understanding the skills, roles and responsibilities in the construction industry with opportunities to develop their own practice.







## ART DEPT UPDATE

Mr Sheppard PT Art & Design



On the 8th of June the Advanced Higher Art class visited the Glasgow School of Art Degree Show. This was the first in-person Degree Show for two years and the first time most of the pupils had visited a Higher Education establishment. The Degree Show is put on by the graduating year group as a means for their work to be assessed but also as an exhibition open to the public. Visiting the show is a great way of letting the pupils see what's happening in contemporary art and always proves to be inspirational. Despite the weather all the pupils enjoyed themselves! Here are some of their thoughts.

Mr A Sheppard
PT Art and Design

I personally found the school trip to the degree show to be very enjoyable, It was the first school trip I had been on in a while and I found walking around looking at the different types of art to be helpful in getting inspiration for my own work for advanced higher. I found the variety of different art to be enjoyable as there was something different in every room; some of it surprising and some weird but over all the trip was amazing. It was also enjoyable to see everything as I want to go to art school after high school and it was nice seeing different works of other people on display.

Ellie Burns 6 Iona 1

When we went to the degree show I saw lots of intriguing art pieces that I did not expect to see. The fine art section in the design building was by far my favourite as you got to see an insight of the artist's mind. The more abstract art tended to catch my attention as you had to really look and think about it to try and come up with a reasoning behind the art. I am glad I got to go to the first in person degree show in two years, and it was my first school trip in a few years too. Although GSA isn't my first choice for art school I still plan to apply. Dundee School of Art is my ideal as I really like their

courses. I really like the piece that was a dark corner with a curtain and when you drew the curtain the dark faces on the wall appeared.

Morgan Burton 6 Arran 1

The trip to the degree show was a good opportunity as it allowed us to see others work to help get ideas and inspiration for our own work. As well as this it was the first school trip, I had been on for two years, so it was interesting to be doing something that isn't just sitting in a classroom and learning, and this was good opportunity to do so. I enjoyed being able to look at the artwork in both the Stow Building and the Reid Building as it was fascinating seeing all the different pieces of work that people had come up with and made. Overall this was an enjoyable school trip which allowed us to see the different pieces of art people had made.

Samantha Gardner

6 Skye 2

I am happy that I got to attend this year's Degree Show as it really inspired me and let me

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Mr Sheppard PT Art & Design

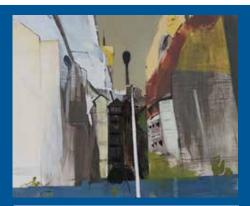


see the world of art school and the amazing things people can create. The day went so quickly because there was so much to see and take in and because I was having so much fun. I felt like in the time I was there I didn't get to see everything properly or look at it for long enough, so I went back with my mum the following Sunday. I can't remember the last time I was on a school trip but I'm sure it was Alton towers which was a couple of years ago and I'm glad I got to go on this one as art really interests me and I think the decimant that I don't think the day went well. I don't think I have a favourite building that we went to, I really liked 2 specific rooms that were from each building. The creativity was so nice to see as well as some of the strong, important messages that the artists were trying to get across.

Emily Aitken 6 Skye 1

I really enjoyed the Glasgow School of Art Degree Show, as it allowed me to see a huge range of unique art pieces, each with their own story. <u>Ín</u> the Fine Art section, there were many intriguing pieces, some of which included interactive elements which were fun to experiment with. I loved reading the artist's words on their work and finding out the inspiration or meaning behind the pieces. There were lots of artworks which I found really spoke to me and inspired my own creativity. I was lucky enough to speak to one of the jewellery and silversmithing designers in the Reid building and it was fascinating to learn about her experiences in art school and hear how she was inspired to make her stunning pieces. I made sure to collect many business cards throughout both parts of the Degree Show, so I would be able to further investigate artists who's work I found most interesting. I think that overall, I gained a lot from the experience and it gave me a better idea of what a potential after school art career could be

Amy Beverland 6 Arran 1







## MUSIC DEPT UPDATE

Young Musician of the Year

Mrs Adams

Acting PT Music

Renfrewshire School's YMotY is the authority's opportunity to celebrate success and at the same time, recognise the wonderful achievements of our young musicians in schools. The pandemic has had a profound impact on music performances and this event hoped to re-establish and highlight the important role music plays in our schools.

With a variety of simply spectacular entries submitted, the department had the very difficult decision of deciding who would go forward to the final. The semi-final entries were submitted to external judges and the musician selected to represent Johnstone HS was piper Josh Esson in S6.

The final took place at St. James Primary School in Renfrew on the evening of Wednesday 20th April. Each performer was required to perform one piece of music. Alongside his Bagpipe instructor Mr Bowes, Josh arranged a set of tunes for Bagpipes, Piano and Cajon accompanied by Mrs Adams and Josh McMillan in S6.

After nine top-class performances Josh closed the evening with a magnificent performance that had everyone's feet tapping. Josh was announced as runner-up.

We are so proud of Josh's achievements during his time at Johnstone High School and we wish him all the best as he continues his Music journey to study Bagpipes at The Royal Conservatoire of Scotland.

To watch Josh's winning performance, go to the Music Department's Twitter page @ music jhs





## WORLD CHALLENGE IS BACK

## Mr McGivern

PT Computing & Business Education



World Challenge Nepal 2024

One of the many great hits of the Covid pandemic on our school community was the cancellation of the World Challenge trip planned for Bolivia in the summer of 2021.

This was a major blow as World Challenge trips offer life changing opportunities for our pupils and provide warm memories that last a lifetime. Previous trips to Nepal (2013), Borneo (2015), Tanzania (2017) and India (2019) have been deeply rewarding and immensely successful.

As we begin to reset to hopefully a much more normal future, it's time to regenerate one of the most inspirational experiences that pupils can engage with in school. Where else to restart the process than back where it all began on our first World Challenge experience which took place in summer 2013 when a group comprising solely S6 pupils visited Nepal and took part in a community project in Pokhara with a trek in the Annapurna mountain range culminating in the summit of Poon Hill. Happy days!

This time round we have

opened up the offer to allow all pupils in S3, S4 and S5 (who will be S4, S5 and S6 by the time departure for Kathmandu comes around) to get involved. The initial window for joining up for the trip closes on 1st July 2023, and at the time of writing a number of pupils have enrolled in the programme to seal their place in Team Nepal (Take 2).

The QR code (or alternatively key in the link https://bit.ly/3Q6h9Xa) will take you to the Johnstone High World Challenge page where you can see the initial itinerary and choose to sign up for the trip.

## **Fundraising**

The next 2 years will see weekly meetings around fundraising and in country preparation and will allow the team to really get to know each other well.

The simplest fundraising opportunity is through easyFundraising, where a small cash amount is credited to the Johnstone High World Challenge account whenever people shop online with a variety of companies. It's simple and free. Why not join up, whether you have someone who has signed up for the trip or not, to help with the fundraising towards what will be a positive experience never to be forgotten?

Previous trips have raised almost £4000 collectively, and all money for nothing, beyond





your normal online shopping.

It's going to be sensational and we can't wait to get the process fully up and running at the start of the new term. Bring it on!











## LGBTQIA+ UPDATE

Miss McFadden



Well, what a year it has been!
As you are aware Johnstone
High continues to work hard to
ensure the wellbeing, equality,
and inclusion of all pupils and
staff. We are striving to make
Johnstone High a safe, friendly,
and accepting environment for all.
We have been working towards
our Gold Charter with LGBT Youth
Scotland and are nearing the end
of our journey; however, we will be
continuing to promote friendship,
trust, and respect within the
school always.

This year myself and Miss Smith have organised a plethora of activities, information days, and events which fully embed the teaching of LGBT issues into the curriculum in line with the Scottish Governments roll-out of LGBT inclusive education. We started the year with a full day of staff training to ensure that all staff are

equipped with the knowledge and confidence to support our young people. This was a huge success and has helped massively in terms of upskilling the staff team. A great number of staff proudly display their certificate of completion in their classrooms to show that they are comfortable and able to discuss LGBT related topics.

All departments were asked to create and deliver LGBT inclusive lessons during LGBT History month, and communications to all pupils surrounding Purple Friday were presented at this time. This fostered a great ethos of understanding and awareness of the history of the LGBT community and the importance of kindness towards others. We asked pupils to show their support of LGBT history month by wearing a colour from the Pride flag along with their uniform on Purple Friday. This was a great day and a true testament

to the pupils and their acceptance of all in our school.

The staff champion group was created at the beginning of term and features a member of staff from each curricular area across the school. We have met regularly to plan and devise a programme of inclusivity within the school. These staff members, along with the Head Teacher, engaged in further training sessions with LGBT Youth Scotland around the strategic planning of developing and improving the ethos of Johnstone High. In a bid to increase visibility we have a staff "pledge flag" which has been signed by the whole team which represents our commitment as a school towards wellbeing, equality, the school building as a symbol of trust and respect.





The Umbrella Pupil Club has continued to be a constant safe space, and source of support to our pupils throughout the year. Miss Smith and I are incredibly thankful to Miss Cola and Miss Fagan for taking over the weekly running of the club and always being on hand for our pupils. Their help has been invaluable this year and I know that the club members are so thankful for their hard work. The pupil group has helped to lead change within the school by reading, amending, and accepting our new school LGBT policy which details our aims, processes, and procedures when it comes to supporting LGBT pupils in all aspects of their learner journey. They have also met with members of staff from departments to discuss changes that can be made to make everyone's learning experience better. For example, they met with the PT of Health and Wellbeing and Mrs Hollywood to discuss concerns they had with the facilities in the school. A very mature and open discussion took place in which both Mr Merriman and Mrs Hollywood were keen to make sure we are getting it right for every child across the curriculum. I personally, was extremely proud of the pupils and their understanding of everyone's needs and their passion for making change.

We are finishing off the year with a variety of Pride celebrations all centring round theme of what it means to be proud. This was launched at the beginning of June with a pupil presentation which was delivered to all pupils and included details surrounding why we are committed to improving wellbeing, equality, and inclusion in the school. It explained why we celebrate Pride and what we were doing as a school over the month of June. Miss Smith held an LGBT cinema night in her classroom after school where pupils watched the brilliant "Tick, Tick Boom" and ate their body weight in popcorn and sweets. The pupils enjoyed it so much that they are already planning to make it a regular feature next session. The English department are asking all pupils to reflect on something pupils have done that has made them feel proud. The responses of this activity will be collated and made into a display. Maths is currently in the process of delivering an Inclusion and Equality survey via Microsoft Forms, which asks pupils about all aspects of inclusion and equality across the school. This is an important step in our charter journey as we need to gather a snapshot of pupil experience to effectively plan moving forward. Thanks to the maths department for helping with this. In the last

week of term, we will be allowing pupils the opportunity to complete worksheets and activities at lunchtime which deal with the theme of inclusion and pride, which they can submit to myself to be in with a chance of winning prizes. Our Pride celebrations, and indeed the culmination of our work this session, ending with a Rainbow Disco on Friday 24th June, where all pupils in S2 are invited to the assembly hall for a disco which celebrates them. their friendships, and the end of their first year at high school. Miss Smith and I, along with staff volunteers and our MVP pupils will be hosting this event and it is sure to be one to remember!

We are extremely proud of our pupils and the way in which they accept everyone no matter what. The kindness on display around the school this year has been exceptional and has made us proud to work at Johnstone High. Miss Smith and I are so excited to move on with our charter journey next session and to continue to develop this inclusive ethos to enhance the educational experience of all. Thank you to all staff, pupils, and parents for their support with this across the year!



## **SPORTS** UPDATE

## Mr Merriman

PT Health & Wellbeing **Athletics** 

Johnstone High School were represented by 35 pupils at this years Renfrewshire Athletics Event, attended by all but one school in the authority. These thirty-five pupils remarkably managed to bring home 26 medals between them, both representing the school brilliantly in athletics but also in their conduct and sportsmanship. Track events included the 100, 200, 300, 800 and 1500 metre races and the relay, whilst the field events included long-jump, shot put and high jump. The unprecedented medal success included pupils from S1 to S3, single and mixed events with JHŠ pupils often racing against each other and achieving multiple medals in one event. The medal winners were:

Karis R gold (shot putt), 2 silver (100m, 200m)

Anna B bronze (relay)

Lia B bronze (relay)

Samantha S 2 gold (long jump, shot putt)

Kenzie R 2 gold (100m, 200m), bronze (relay)

Hayden S bronze (relay)

Aron H 2 silver (200m, 300m), bronze (long jump)

Gabriella W gold (100m)

Molly-Rose M 2 golds (200m 300m), silver (relay)

Sophie H Silver (relay)

Ruby O bronze (long jump)

Andrew S 2 gold (1500m, 800m) silver (relay)

Louis D gold (300m), silver (relay), bronze (long jump)







## SPORTS UPDATE

## Mr Merriman

PT Health & Wellbeing

**Badminton** 

Johnstone High School entered teams in both the Junior and Senior Renfrewshire Badminton Quaich. The tournament saw the majority of schools in the Renfrewshire authority play against one another in a one-off event at the On-X Linwood. Lia, Anna, Karis, Samantha, Holly, Scott, Robbie, Kyle, Fraser and Luke represented the junior team where there were singles, doubles and mixed doubles matches played against every competing school. Isla, Hannah, Leah, Robin, Shay, Scott and Scott represented the senior team in the same format. The senior team narrowly missed out on the medals after only being defeated by one school and winning the majority of their matches. The junior team however went undefeated in the tournament, losing only a handful of matches but defeating every school and were crowned champions



of the Renfrewshire Quaich. Pupils from both teams were a credit to themselves and the school as they performed at the highest level with tolerance and respect, even in adversity. I am confident with the resumption of the badminton club after the summer break that Johnstone High will once again represent challenge to retain and win another title at the Renfrewshire Quaich.







## SPORTS UPDATE

## Mr Merriman

PT Health & Wellbeing

**Football** 

Our senior boys team won the St. Mirren Cup, beating St. Ninians' 2-1 in the final. It was a brilliant achievement against a team widely regarded as the best in the country. The team also won their league section and got through to the league play off final also against St. Ninians'. This time St. Ninians' got their revenge, beating us on penalties after a 3-3 draw. The boys were a credit to the school. Well done to:

Liam M, Aidan B, Matthew R, Matthew N, Haydon B, Ethan W, Eric A, Taylor F, Emmanuel O, Aaron W, Kyle A, Leon M, Benjamin W, Brandon F, Alex B and Lennon C for their efforts this season.



## MYP TRAINING

## **SUMMER 2022**

In June, 40 of our S6 pupils took part in a two-day training session for the Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP) programme to aid them in their roles as Befrienders for new S1 pupils. The programme aims to challenge the attitudes,

beliefs and cultural norms that underpin gender-based violence and bullying. Through the programme, pupils should have the skills and confidence to become active bystanders, able to support their peers in addressing bullying behaviours as well as become role models for younger pupils. The trained pupils will be working with the new S1s in their befriending roles, but they will also be delivering lessons to other

year groups about the effects of name-calling and insults throughout the next session. We are looking forward to seeing how else we can help to build positive relationships throughout the school.



## GOING FOR GOLD

## RNRA Update

Renfrewshire's Nurturing Relationship Approach

## Ms Brown

PT Nurture

Renfrewshire's Nurturing Relationship Approach (RNRA) provides an implementation process for establishments to develop nurturing relationships across schools. Each year, schools who take part in the RNRA process can apply for an accreditation award in recognition of the work they have done. This year, we are absolutely delighted to have been successful in RNRA Level 3 Award, 'Amethyst'. This is an outstanding achievement and shows our schools commitment to nurturing relationships. The RNRA panel commended our school on our commitment.

Some of the feedback we received included:

"The action plan contains very good examples of approaches to developing pupil engagement in RNRA and respecting and listening to pupil's voices"

"It is encouraging to see that nurturing approaches to working with and communicating with families has led to increased parental engagement."

"The school's approach to supporting staff wellbeing and working in partnership with families are both good examples of the embodiment of a welcoming and supportive environment where inclusive and respectful relationships are priorities across the school

community."

In addition to the excellent feedback we received, we have been encouraged to continue to build on our current sharing of good practice to support other schools, particularly those who are just starting out on their nurture journey, as well as Local authority initiatives.

We are delighted for the whole school community and would like to thank everyone who helped to make this happen.

Next year, we are going for gold!



## EMPLOYABILITY UPDATE

## Mrs Carlin

Ensuring positive outcomes for all learners by developing the skills they need to compete in the modern world.



sessions with the aim of introducing them to Employability Skills, work experience, learning sign language, enterprise skills and psychology.

In May, eight S3 pupils were given the opportunity to learn about Traditional Construction Skills from Morrisons Construction and West College at the Paisley Abbey regeneration site. This was a great way to find out about career pathways.

Feedback from senior pupils has shown that the Microsoft Team:
My Future: Employability has been a positive addition to the senior phase. This is a way to promote all aspects of employability such as: part time jobs, Modern and Graduate Apprenticeships, University and College information and work experience opportunities.

We are re-introducing the My World



of Work Ambassador programme for next session. So far six senior pupils have enrolled with the aim of promoting career education across all year groups.

If anyone has any employment related questions or needs any help, please see Mrs Carlin in Home Economics Room 3 or Miss Wilkie.

All S4-6 pupils are still encouraged to join the team. The code is: q5v9ejn

At Johnstone High we are always focused on achieving positive destinations for all learners.

This year, three Senior Pupils took part in the flagship: "My Future Pathway Programme". Each week, these pupils who wished to pursue a pathway into Construction, had the opportunity to receive support with CV's, interview techniques, networking with employers, work experience and achieving CSCS Cards.

Recruitment has commenced for next session, and we currently have 6 senior pupils on board.

For more information please visit: http://sites.google.com/re.glow/myfuturepathwayren/home

During exam leave, S4 pupils had the chance to take part in our Enrichment Programme. They took part in













My Future Pathway



## YOUNG ENTERPRISE UPDATE



Young Enterprise Company Programme

This year we had a team of 24 enthusiastic and driven young people take part in the Young Enterprise Company Programme. They worked hard as a team over 6 months to build a sustainable and profitmaking enterprise. COP26 inspired them to operate as an ethical business and work to make a positive impact on the environment with their product. From this their business, "ReinCANation" was born.

The pupils made Grow your Own Herb Kits from recycled and sustainable materials and sold these at various fayres and events across Renfrewshire. They gathered used tin cans from the local community and then cleaned, painted, and converted them into plant pots for their kits. This was to support Renfrewshire's recycling mission.

Their first real selling opportunity was at the Braehead Trade Fayre in December. At this, pupils sold products and shared their sustainability goals with the public. Their stall impressed so much that they won the Runner

up Award for the Best Display Stand.

Team "ReinCANation" then went on to represent Johnstone High School in the Renfrewshire Area Company Finals. The team had to give a presentation about their business journey, submit a Business Report and a few members even had to go through an interview in which they discussed what they had learned from this process. Those who went to this event and represented our team did exceptionally well. They spoke confidently about their experiences and the hard work and passion that they had for this project. This was evident to all in attendance.

At this event ReinCANation won the award for the Best Business Report. This was fantastic as all members of the team played a part in its creation. They then went on to also win an award for The Best Team (for the Renfrewshire Area). This is a phenomenal achievement and well deserved. All those involved learned a great deal from this experience. They were able to develop their leadership, communication and teamworking skills but most importantly they had fun doing it. All members of this team were a credit to themselves and the school. We are so proud of them.









## **Junior Awards Ceremony**

Our junior awards ceremony for S1-S3 pupils took place on Thursday 9th June 2022. This was our first evening event where we were able to invite parents, carers, family and friends back into the school to celebrate the successes of our young people. It was really lovely to be able to welcome everyone in and share how proud we are of our learners and all they have overcome in the last two years to then go on and achieve awards for their hard work and commitment in school.

Our awards recognised not

only the achievements and successes of our young people, but also those who have shown commitment to our school values:

- Determination
- Friendship
- Honesty
- Respect
- Responsibility
- Trust

Winners of each category were awarded a certificate for each award they have achieved. In addition to this the Design & Technology Department have also created D&T trophies for their award categories. These trophies were designed by our talented S2

pupils during their Design & Technology course and the winning designs from across the year group were replicated for the awards.

I'd like to thank our pupils for their hard work over the last year and to thank our parents, carers and families for your ongoing to our learners and our school community.

## 1st, 2nd and Merit awards were nominated for of the following subject areas:

English Religious Studies Practical Woodworking Skills

Mathematics Biology Computing Science

French Chemistry Business Management

Spanish Physics Administration & IT

German Art & Design Physical Education

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History Music Home Economics

Modern Studies Graphic Communication

Geography Design & Manufacture

## JUNIOR AWARDS

## S1 AWARD WINNERS

Zuzanna Stepinska Max Millar April Bridgeman Anna Hay Dylan Brown Karis Rankin Aaron Dick Suzie Fowkes
Jamie Morrison
Lewis Robertson
Megan Sloan
George Watson
Erin McAleer
Ruth Bedford

Lewis Henderson Ciaron Mackie Callum Patrick Lorna Russell Rebecca Taylor

## **S2 AWARD WINNERS**

Aili Barker Scott Fulton Beth Kelly Ethan Quinn Zosia Wojcik Rachel Donnelly Aron Hamilton Euan Hamilton Leni Hawke Charlie Johnson Iona Philp Archie Stockton Eilidh Watt Hollie Boyack Alasdair Herteleer Isabelle Holloway Emily Keane Catherine Lambert Zoe Palmer Cole Rowan Declan Rush

## S3 AWARD WINNERS

Cara Craig
Ross Dingwall
Lewis Hamilton
Laura Jenkins
Connor Keegan
Lucy MacMillan
Sam McCallum
Kate McEwan
Osahon Osagiede
Andrew Shorts
Kai Coulter
Makayla Larmour
Alexander Agnew
Sonny Balmforth
Logan Falconer

Kiera McLuskie
Jenny McMillan
Jack McSkimming
Millie Barr
Morven Black
Matthew Du Pon
Lizzie Ellerker
Colin Johnston
Bethany Kelly
Yahia Khaili
Megan MacCormick
Danielle MacMillan
Emma Manley
Hannah McAusland
Summer McGibbon
Sophie McGuire

Taylor McKay
Molly-Rose McLoughlin
Jamie Milligan
Jackson Mitchell
Melissa Smith
Olivia Vanni
Jack Blair
Amber Campbell
Louis Docherty
Fergus Dorrington
Del Fleming
Sophie Henderson
Samantha Mason
Poppy Wishart

## **HOUSE AWARD WINNERS**

Zuzanna Stepinska Dylan Brown Suzie Fowkes Erin McAleer

Isla McArthur

Zosia Wojcik Ellie Ibbotson Will Ellerker Declan Rush Kate McEwan Isla McArthur Melissa Smith Fergus Dorrington

# WIDER ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

## Summer 2022 Miss McGinley

**Wider Achievement Awards** 

On Tuesday 14th June, we had our first Wider Achievement Awards ceremony to celebrate the many varied and outstanding achievements of the young people who attend Johnstone High School.

To celebrate the personal successes of our young people we award four levels of School Colours in each of the following categories:

- Sports
- Community
- Creative Arts

Pupils are entitled to wear Colours that represent their achievement. Personal Achievement Certificates, House Award badges, Half Colours ties and Full Colours ties are awarded to pupils in recognition of excellent performance or commitment in an extracurricular activity.

On Tuesday, over one hundred pupils received awards for their amazing endeavours. It was humbling to watch so many of our young people be recognised for their personal achievements both within school and in the wider community.

Our next Wider Achievement Awards Ceremony will take place in January 2023. Please encourage your child to input any personal successes in order for us to celebrate these as a school community. Pupils and parents can access the Colours application form and further information on celebrating Wider Achievement on the school website.

Below is a list of our June 2022 Wider Achievement award winners. Well done everyone!







Emma	Personal Achievement - Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages
Jessica	Personal Achievement - Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages
Molly Rose	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S3 Net-ball Team
	Half Colours – Sport	Success at Renfrewshire Athletics Event 2 Golds (200m, 300m), Silver (relay)
Jamie	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – Junior Football Team
Melissa	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S3 Net-ball Team
Reece	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S2/3 Football Team
Riley	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S2/3 Football Team
Sam	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S2/3 Football Team
S5		
Adam	Personal Achievement – Creative Arts	Creating and maintaining a film website with a creative theme
Leon	Half Colour – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Senior Football Team won St Mirren Cup
S6		
Erin	Half Colours – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Senior Football Team won St Mirren Cup
Ryan	Half Colours – Creative Arts	Performing at National Level with Renfrewshire Schools Pipe Band
Scott	House Award – Sport	Represented school at Renfrewshire Badminton Event
Ciara	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – Senior Girls Netball Team
Liam	Half Colour – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Senior Football Team won St Mirren Cup
Hannah	House Award – Sport	Represented school at Renfrewshire Badminton Event
Ada	Half Colours – Creative Arts	Continued commitment to school orchestra/choir or Renfrewshire Ensemble (2+ years)
	Full Colours – Creative Arts	Achieved Grade 6 - Violin
		Achieved Grade 5 - Clarinet
		Performing Violin at National Level (Piano Guys performance)
Leah	House Award – Sport	Represented school at Renfrewshire Badminton Event
Benjamin	Full Colours – Sport	Team club success (national level) – Won Scottish Cup with Football Team Benburb
	Skye	House
S2		
Lewis	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
Lewis	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
Erin	Full Colours – Community	Lead successful Community Campaign (Met with Tom Arthur MSP and Mhairi Black MP)
Cole	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
Lauchlan	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
S3		

Arran House		
S2		
Nicholas	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
Max	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
Jack	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
Zuzanna	Personal Achievement – Sport	1 year commitment (since High School) to a sport outside of school
S3		
Ross	Personal Achievement – Sport	1 year commitment to school sports club
Jessica	Half Colour – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Junior Girls Football Team won Renfrewshire Cup
Scott	Half Colour – Sport	School club success (regional level) –Renfrews- hire Badminton Competition
Luke	Half Colour - Sport	School club success (regional level) –Renfrews- hire Badminton Competition
Beth	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently - S2 Net-ball Team
Holly	Half Colour - Sport	School club success (regional level) – Renfrewshire Badminton Competition
Kady	Personal Achievement – Sport	1 year commitment to school sports club
Robbie	Half Colour - Sport	School club success (regional level) –Renfrews- hire Badminton Competition
Samantha	Half Colour – Sport	Success at Renfrewshire Athletics event – 2 Gold (Shot Putt, Long Jump)
		School club success (regional level) – Renfrewshire Badminton Competition
		Junior Girls Football Team won Renfrewshire Cup
S4		
Logan	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – Junior Football team
Katie	Personal Achievement - Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages
	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S3 Net-ball Team
Cara	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S3 Net-ball Team
Casey	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S3 Net- ball Team and Senior Netball Team
Daisy	Personal Achievement - Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages
	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S3 Net-ball Team
Janey	Half Colour – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Junior Football Team won Renfrewshire Cup
Logan	Personal Achievement – Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages
Kate	Personal Achievement – Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages
Godspower	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S2/3 Football team

Melodie	Personal Achievement – Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages
Andrew	Half Colour – Sport	Success at Renfrewshire Athletics event – Gold (300m), Silver (Relay), Bronze (Long Jump)
Eva	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S3 Netball Team
S5		
Lennon	Half Colour – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Senior Football Team won St Mirren Cup
Brandon	Half Colour – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Senior Football Team won St Mirren Cup
Rachael	Personal Achievement – Creative Arts	Producing Art work as part of a DofE presentation
Logan	House and Half Colour - Com-	Achieved Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award
	munity	Presidents Badge - Boys Brigade
	Full Colours – Creative Arts	Performing at National Level with National Youth Pipe band for Scotland and Renfrewshire Schools Pipe Band
		Achieved Level 5 in SQA Scottish Bagpipes
		4 Years Commitment (since High School) to External Theatre Company Production with a Lead Role
Matthew	Personal Achievement – Sport	Yellow Belt – JKD Martial Arts
S6		
Rosie	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently – Senior Girls Netball team
Millie	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently – Senior Girls Netball team
Eva	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently – Senior Girls Netball team
Emmanuel	Half Colour – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Senior Football Team won St Mirren Cup
	lona l	House
S2		
Findlay	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
Aaron	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
Sam	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
Emma	Personal Achievement – Sport	1 year commitment (since High School) to a sport outside of school
Millie	Half Colours - Creative Arts	1 year commitment (since High School) to External Theatre Company (Lead Role)
Karis	Half Colours - Sport	Team club success (regional level)
		Success at Renfrewshire Athletics event – Gold (Shot Putt)
		Represented school at Renfrewshire Badminton Event
	House Award– Community	Silver Chief Scout Award
S3	<u> </u>	

Rachel	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently (S2 Netball Team)
Euan	Personal Achievement – Sport	1 year commitment to school sports club
Aron	House Award – Sport	Success at Renfrewshire Athletics event – Silver (200m, 300m), Bronze (Long Jump)
Tyler	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – Junior Football team
Fraser	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – Junior Football team
	Half Colour – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Renfrewshire Badminton Competition
Reece	Personal Achievement – Sport	Success at local Golf Tournament – Ralston Golf Club
Kenzie	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S2/3 Boys Football team
	Half Colour – Sport	Success at Renfrewshire Athletics event – Gold (100m, 200m), Silver (Relay)
		Team club success (regional)
Eilidh	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently (S2 Netball Team)
Kayden	Personal Achievement –Sport	1 year commitment to school club
	Full Colours – Creative Arts	
		2+ years commitment (since High School) to External Theatre Company Production (Lead Role)
		Starred in 'A True Mismatch' – Crime Tv Series (2022)
		Starred in Renfrewshire Council's Ren Ten advertisements
S4		
Kai	Personal Achievement - Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages
Ben	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently (Junior Football Team)
Makayla	Personal Achievement - Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages
Scott	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently (S2/3 Football Team)
Cara	Half Colour – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Junior Football Team won Renfrewshire Cup
Isla	Personal Achievement - Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages
Ruby	House Award – Sport	Success at Renfrewshire Athletics event – Silver (Long Jump)
Ewan	Half Colours - Community	Presidents Badge - Boys Brigade
S5		
Kyle	Full Colours – Sport	Team club success (national level) – Won Scottish Cup with Football Team Benburb
Grace	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently (Senior Girls Netball Team)
Robin	House Award – Sport	Represented school at Renfrewshire Badminton Event
Carys	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently (Senior Girls Netball Team)

Kirsty	Half Colours – Creative Arts	Achieved Grade 4 – Piano
	Solodio Giodivo / Ito	Achieved Grade 4 - Fland Achieved Grade 4 - Clarinet
		Continued commitment to school orchestra/choir or Renfrewshire Ensemble (2+ years)
		Performing at National Level with West of Scot-
	Full Colours – Creative Arts	land Schools Orchestra Concert Band
	Tull Colours – Creative Arts	
Isla	House Award – Sport	Represented school at Renfrewshire Badminton Event
		Representing the school consistently – Senior Netball Team
Matthew	Half Colour – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Senior Football Team won St Mirren Cup
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S2		
Aaron	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
Alistair	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
Sam	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
Sam	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
Oscar	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
George	House Award - Sport	Representing the school consistently (S1 Football Team)
S3		
Hayley	Personal Achievement – Sport	1 year commitment to school club
Emma	Personal Achievement – Sport	1 year commitment to school club
Poppy	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S2 Net- ball Team
Kyle	Half Colour – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Renfrewshire Badminton Competition
Hayden	House Award – Sport	Success at Renfrewshire Athletics event – Silver (Relay)
		Representing the school consistently – S2/3 Boys Football Team
Keira	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S2 Net-ball Team
S4		
Callum	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – Junior Football Team
Lizzie	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S3 Net- ball Team
Codie	Half Colours – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Junior Football Team won Renfrewshire Cup
Mikaela	Personal Achievement - Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages
Yahia	Personal Achievement - Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages
	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S3 Net- ball Team
Kai	Half Colours – Community	Presidents Badge – Boys Brigade
Megan	Personal Achievement - Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages

Orla	House Award – Community	1 year commitment as an Eco Club Member
	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S2 Net-ball Team
Lia	Half Colours – Sport	Success at Renfrewshire Athletics Event – Silver (Relay)
		Success at regional level - Junior Girls Football Team won Renfrewshire Cup
		Success at Renfrewshire Badminton Event
Anna	Half Colours – Sport	Success at Renfrewshire Athletics Event – Silver (Relay)
		Success at regional level - Junior Girls Football Team won Renfrewshire Cup
		Success at Renfrewshire Badminton Event
Lucy	Half Colours – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Junior Football Team won Renfrewshire Cup
Alastair	House Award – Community	1 year commitment as an Eco Club Member
Isabelle	House Award – Community	1 year commitment as an Eco Club Member
Emily	House Award – Community	1 year commitment as an Eco Club Member
Owen	House Award – Community	1 year commitment as an Eco Club Member
S4		
Jack	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S2/3 Football Team
Louis	Half Colours – Sport	Success at Renfrewshire Athletics Event - Gold (300m), Silver (relay), Bronze (Long jump)
Sophie	House Award – Sport	Success at Renfrewshire Athletics Event Silver – (Relay)
		Representing the school consistently S3 Netball Team
Aaron	House Award – Sport	Representing the school consistently – S2/3 Football Team
	Half Colours – Creative Arts	Continued commitment to Renfrewshire Pipe Band (2 + years)
Molly	Personal Achievement - Community	Primary Transition Ambassador – Modern Languages
S5		
Haydon	Half Colours – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Senior Football Team won St Mirren Cup
Shayne	House Award – Sport	Representing school consistently – Junior Football Team
Fraser	Full Colours – Sport	National Level Success – Won Gold with U16 Water Polo Team
Ethan	Half Colours – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Senior Football Team won St Mirren Cup
S6		
Arran	Half Colour – Sport	School club success (regional level) – Senior Football Team won St Mirren Cup
Josh	Full Colours – Creative Arts	Performing at National Level with Renfrewshire Schools Pipe Band

## PARENT PAY SYSTEM

Making secure payments online using your credit or debit

ParentPay offers you the freedom to make payments whenever and wherever you like, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - safe in the knowledge that the technology used is of the highest internet security available.

You will have a secure online account, activated using a unique username and password; you will be prompted to change these, and to keep them safe and secure.

Making a payment is straightforward and ParentPay holds a payment history for you to view at a later date; no card details are stored in any part of the system. Once you've activated your account you can make online payments straight away.

## How do free school meals work?

Pupils entitled to free school meals will have their ParentPay account credited each day. Because all account types are accessed in the same way, whether paid for or free, the new system allows those pupils receiving free school

meals to remain completely anonymous.

Free school meal credit balances will not be carried over to the next day.

## **Using PayPoint**

PayPoint payments are recorded by ParentPay and can be seen by logging into your ParentPay account and viewing your payment history online.

## When can I log in to my account?

Once you have received your activation letter from school with your activation login details you'll be able to activate your account and start making payments. This letter will be sent to you soon by your school.

Navigate to www.parentpay. com

Select Login at the top right corner of the screen

Enter the username and password provided in your account activation letter and select Activate

Complete the activation as detailed on the screen



## **Applying for:**

## Free meal entitlement

Free school meals and clothing grant applications for 2022/2023 now open: Please apply using the link below:

## www.renfrewshire.gov. uk/free-school-meals

**Education Maintenance** Allowance

The applications for the above are not yet open, this can be an online application to Renfrewshire Council, but we also get hard copies sent to school. Any pupil wishing a hard copy should obtain one from the school office. A link will be sent to pupils for on line applications once it is opened by Renfrewshire Council.

The email link will also be on Renfrewshire Council website.

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