



# JOHNSTONE HIGH SCHOOL

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9<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

We would like to invite you to attend the Senior Phase Information Evening in the school on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September. This is for parents/carers of learners in S4-S6.

We are delighted to be able to welcome you back into the building for this event. The evening will be an excellent opportunity to meet some of the key members of staff involved in supporting your child in Senior Phase. It will also provide parents, carers and pupils with an opportunity to hear relevant information regarding the exam process and next steps into positive destinations. Sessions on supporting your child's wellbeing during this time will also be available.

The evening will follow the following format:

6-6.15pm	Registration and Refreshments
6.15-6.30pm	General Information Presentation from Mrs Hollywood and Mrs Davidson
6.30 – 6.50pm	Workshop 1
6.50 - 7.10pm	Workshop 2
7.10pm – 7.30pm	Workshop 3

Parents, carers and pupils can choose to attend up to 3, twenty-minute workshops from the list on the following page.

Please use the following link to confirm your attendance and indicate your workshop preferences.

<https://forms.office.com/r/jZY9m8UcrR>



Please arrive between 6-6.15pm to collect your personalised workshop allocation.

We look forward to welcoming you to Johnstone High on the 20<sup>th</sup> September.

Yours sincerely,

Gemma Davidson

Depute Head Teacher (*Acting*)

1	<b>Study Skills</b> This session will focus on how to support your young person to develop good study habits. We will examine the impact of environment, routine, and approach to learning.	Leigh Cole, <i>DHT</i>
2	<b>Applying to University Through UCAS</b> Find out about the UCAS process. During this session we will look at the UCAS online platform, the role of staff, pupils and parents and identify any key deadlines.	Eileen Wilkie, <i>PT Pastoral Support</i>
3	<b>College Applications and Deadlines</b> Find out how our careers advisor can support your young person to find and apply for the right college course.	Charlene Young, <i>Careers Advisor</i>
4	<b>Apprenticeships and My World of Work</b> Find out about apprenticeships available in the local area and how to apply. Explore the My World of Work tool with our Careers Ambassadors.	Amanda Carlin, <i>PT Employability Careers Ambassadors</i>
5	<b>Using Teams, Satchel One and Other Online Platforms to Support Learning Out-with the Classroom</b> A session outlining the functionality of MS Teams and Satchel One. Staff will share how pupils and teachers make use of these programmes in order to facilitate learning at home and will also draw your attention to two additional learning platforms, eSgoil and West OS.	Aileen Graham, <i>Class Teacher</i> , and Ruth Gallacher, <i>PT Modern Languages</i>
6	<b>Reach and Widening Participation</b> For parents/carers of pupils who wish to apply to Medicine, Vet Med, Dentistry, Accountancy, Engineering, Teaching or Law and who also face a barrier to accessing university such as poverty, refugee status, young carer or care experience. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.gla.ac.uk/study/wp/">https://www.gla.ac.uk/study/wp/</a>	Reach Team
7	<b>SAAS/Student Finance</b> An introduction to applying for student loans and funding.	Derek Reeve, <i>SAAS</i>
8	<b>Supporting Your Young Person's Mental Health During Exams</b> Exploration of strategies to support mental health in young people facing the pressures of exams. Staff will also discuss the processes and procedures involved in the exam diet.	Amy McFadden, <i>PT Pastoral (Acting)</i> and Alan Smith, <i>Project Leader of Learning and Teaching</i>
9	<b>Plagiarism and the SQA</b> A look at the issue of plagiarism in qualifications and how this can impact achievement.	Lesley MacLeod, <i>PT English</i>
10	<b>Wider Achievement (School Colours Programme) and Saltire Award</b> Staff and pupils will share the school's programme for recognising wider achievement and describe how you can nominate your young person for an award. The accredited Saltire Award will also be discussed.	Lauren McGinley, <i>Project Leader of Wider Achievement</i> , and Senior Pupils
11	<b>Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF)</b> Join us for a short introduction on what qualification levels are available in Scotland and in Johnstone High. Explore how pupils can now access wide framework of qualifications rather than traditional hierarchical pathways.	Jac Smith, <i>PT Design and Technologies</i> and Jack Forsyth, <i>Class Teacher</i>
12	<b>Sleep Scotland</b> Supporting your young person to develop good sleep patterns.	Kaitlin Docherty, <i>PT Pastoral Support</i>
13	<b>Foundation Apprenticeships and Vocational College Courses</b> Explore college courses and foundations apprenticeships available as part of a S5/6 timetable.	Kelly Ewing and Katrina Maxwell, <i>West College Scotland</i>