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## ELLON ACADEMY WEEKLY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/CARERS

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Date: Friday 24th May 2024

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Dear parents/carers,

This week we've had number of special calendar events at Ellon Academy.

On Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May, we held our last Pupil Senate Conference of the year where our class reps were looking at how we retain our Green Flag Eco School Status and the Ellon Academy Curriculum offer with Mr Cowie DHT. On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May we welcomed parents, carers, and guests to celebrate pupil successes at our Junior and Senior Prizegiving Ceremonies. On Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May we welcomed our P7 pupils to Ellon Academy for their Values Day and tonight, we see our S6 leavers off in style at their Prom Night.

All significant and memorable events in the life of the school.

Next week, our S1, S2 and S3 pupils will be participating in Activities Days (Wed, Thurs and Fri) and on the afternoons of Monday and Tuesday our S3 pupils will be taking part in our Building Your Future events, working with local businesses and employers.

Our timetable will change on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> of June and each year group will move up to their next year stage. New timetables will be issued in due course.

### **Relaxed Uniform during warmer weather:**

SLT have agreed that pupils will be permitted to wear shorts during the expected spell of warmer weather. Pupils are asked to continue to wear usual shirts and ties and are reminded that this relaxation is not a reason to come to school in beachwear, it means shorts that are appropriate for school wear. Therefore, to clarify, no football strips, very short Lycra shorts (these are inappropriate and can be a flame risk), strappy tops or cropped bra style tops. **Thank you, SLT.**

### **School Blazers:**

We will shortly be planning to secure blazers for who seniors want to buy one for next year. However, a good number of our departing S6 wish to donate their old blazer so someone else can get the good of it. This is commendable, so we ask if any school leaver wants to do the same, then they can be handed in to the school office. We will do our best to ensure they someone else gets the benefit. Thank You to those parents/carers who have already donated pre-loved and new blazers to the school. This is very much appreciated.

As ever, our learners continue to impress us every week with all of their various achievements in and out of school and we hope you enjoy our updates and reading about our pupil successes in this week's newsletter. If your child/children have successes you'd like to share with us, please send us an email via the school email address marked FAO Mrs P Buchan, Rector. Any photos you can share with us are always welcome too.  
[ellon.aca@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:ellon.aca@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)

## Quote of the Week beginning Monday 27.5.24:



### Assemblies:

There are no planned assemblies weeks beginning 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, or 27<sup>th</sup> May due to the theatre being set up and used for range of events over the next 2 weeks and Activities Days week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> May.

### Most Merits:

Here are the pupils who have accrued the most merits this week:

Well done, and they can collect their Fast Passes from Mrs Buchan after registration in the sunken social area on Mon 27.5.24.

**Well done all!**

Lilly	H	1F1	5
Riley	G	1S1	7
Molly	N	1S1	5
Zuzanna	Z	1S1	5
Aleisha	D	2F1	4
Finlay	T	2F1	4
Clark	W	2F1	5
Alyssa	E	2M2	4
Murren	A	3F2	3
Abbie	G	3S1	3
Cara	M	3S1	3

### Parent Council Up-date:

The next Parent Council meeting will be on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm in person at Ellon Academy.

Our new Chairperson Mr James Simpson is keen for more parents to join us that evening.

The Parent Council also want to welcome P7 parents and remind them to answer the security questions if they would like to access the Ellon Academy Parent Council Facebook page.

Thank you.

**Plea to parents** – please could you encourage your child to return any unneeded textbooks to our faculty departments asap?

In the current financial climate, we cannot afford to be using our limited school budget to replace textbooks year on year. It may come to the stage where we have to request payment for textbooks which have not been returned to school.

### First Aid Procedures at Ellon Academy

Recently, there have been a few occasions when a pupil has been feeling unwell and they have called their parents directly. The parents have then come to the school and waited in their cars for their child to come out. As you will understand, there are child protection considerations in this circumstance, and we ask that all pupils report to the First Aider if they are feeling unwell and staff will call parents/carers to liaise about getting the child home in a way that accounts for our pupils whereabouts at all times and so that we can ensure that the child is being picked up by an appropriate adult. Thank you.

### S3 Build Your Future Sessions - Mon 27th and Tues 28th May:

During the afternoons of Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th May, all S3 classes will take part in our Build Your Future activities.

Throughout the afternoon of Monday 27th May, 3C1, 3K1, 3F1 and 3S1 will take part in one of our career workshops. These workshops, offered by a range of local employers, are designed to give you a taste of an industry which you might be interested in pursuing in the future. During the afternoon of Tuesday 28th May, 3F2, 3M1, 3M2 and 3S2 will be invited to take part in a similar selection of career workshops.

A Google Form has been shared to the Google Classroom for your registration class. Please read through the options available, and complete the form, choosing your first and second preference from the activities on offer. Every attempt will be made to allocate you to either your first or second preference, however some of the workshops on offer have a strict limit on the number of pupils who can take part and you may be allocated a different activity. Please complete this form before 5 pm on Friday 17th May.

These workshops are designed to give our S3 pupils an introduction to the world of work. The activities on offer will allow pupils to get a taste of a career they might be interested in while finding out more about which skills and qualities are important within those industries.

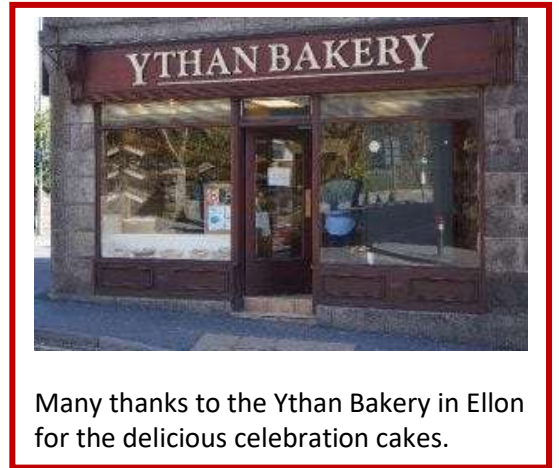
Mr Abberley-Nicoll, Principal Teacher Developing the Young Workforce.



### P7 Values Day – Thurs 23.5.24



Junior and Senior Prizegiving 2024



Many thanks to the Ythan Bakery in Ellon for the delicious celebration cakes.





Huge thanks to Simpson's at the Happy Plant Mintlaw for kindly providing the beautiful plants which adorned our stage this week!



## Digi24 Digital Champions Conference – 16.5.24

'DigiChamp24 – a gather for our Digital Champions' took place in our school theatre on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May last week. This was a digital conference held for the forty-three S1-S3 Digital Champions that are placed across our learning community. The event was put together by PT Digital Learning, Ewan Armstrong alongside DYW Employer Coordinator, Diane Duncan and featured digital organisations, companies and employers who rely heavily on the digital world for their business. The conference offered some fun and enjoyable experiences that will hopefully enhance pupils' enjoyment of the digital world. The event also continued to inspire our champions in their digital learning, whilst strengthening connections between the digital skills that our young people develop in school against life beyond Ellon Academy (colleges, universities, apprenticeships, employment, etc.).

Companies who came to present and take part included KR Group (Newburgh), the Scottish Maritime Academy (Peterhead), Peterson (Aberdeen), Openreach (UK-wide) and QA (Aberdeen). The day was really busy and saw pupils taking part in a variety of different activities from using a digital shipping simulator to drawing up digital marketing strategies and finding out about internet connections (including much fun with some of the safety gear).

PT Digital Learning Ewan Armstrong commented:

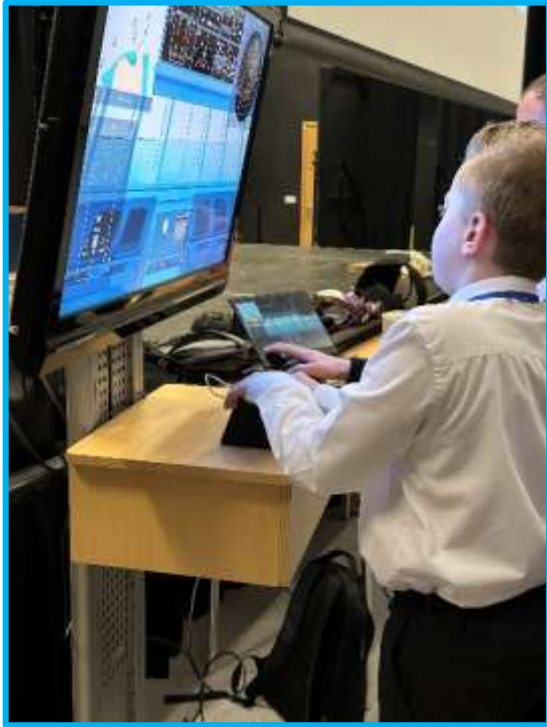
*"The entire event has been a tremendous success, showcasing the interest and unquestionable dedication of our young digital champions. We have thoroughly enjoyed working with these local organisations in putting this event together and in turn hope that these experiences will continue to strengthen our young champions' skills within the digital world. We would like to extend our thanks and gratitude to all the companies/organisations who took part and got involved, and of course to Diane Duncan from DYW Northeast for helping to put this event together. Here's hoping that this is the first of what will become an annual conference for Digital Champions at Ellon Academy!"*

When asked for comment on their opinions of the event, pupils responded very positively and said:

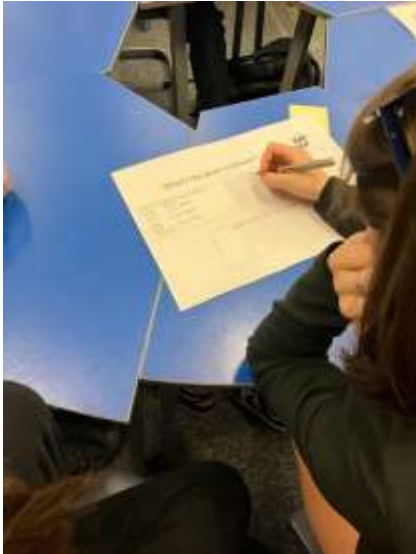
*"The conference was amazing couldn't have been better and was filled with things to do. Some was writing and some was practical – I loved it and I hope we can do it again some time."* Georgie Q (S1)

*"I thought that it ran very smoothly and was very fun, a big thank you to Mr Armstrong and Mrs Duncan."* Scott M (S2)





Pupil Senate – Monday 20.5.24







Last week the teaching staff shared their Gallery of Learning after school where each faculty displayed their Making Thinking Visible Routines with colleagues.

**Pupil Achievement: S1 Reading Bingo**

The following pupils have been recognised for their endeavour and determination in S1 Reading Bingo. Well done everyone!

Class	Bronze (20)	Silver (34)	Gold (28)	Class	Bronze (20)	Silver (34)	Gold (28)
1C1	Daniel M	Sophia E		1M1	Sophie N	Charlie B	
1C1	Finlay R				Fraser S	Alsie B	
1C1	Nafisah U					Jade D	
1C2	Hollie M	Holly P	Elya M				
1C2	Lilah M		Dhaksha S	1S1	Riley G	Laasya A	Georgie Q
1F1	Lily B	Anna A	Sasha G		Ruby S	Sophie D	Kasper S
1F1	Lily G	Lame B	Katie M			Astrid M	
1F1	Ethan M	Khalie M	Lucy V			Molly N	
		Emily S				Noah P	
1F2	Jake E	Shania C	Ben B			Armandas P	
	Eli M	Hazel M	Lucy B			Kyle R	
	Robbie T	Noel R	Molly B			Connie D	
		Mya S	Mason C			Luke S	
		Macy T	Owen D			Graham T	
			Aimee F			Zuzanna Z	
			Mhairi M	1S2	Josh A	Lexi C	Natania A
			Lily M		Penny K	Anna C	Penny B
			James M		Ricky P	Adam F	Zack M
			Katie M		Kate R	Holly S	Fraser P
			Brooke T		William T	Amy K	Cian S
			Matteo T				Aillie W
1K1		Molly C	Owen A				
		Elsa D	Erin R				
		Lucy D	Naomi W				
		Xavier L					

## Pupil Achievement:

U15 Girls Football League Result: Ellon 3-1 Turriff.

In torrential rain, our girls defeated Turriff 3-1, to take us into the last game of the season, against Inverurie undefeated, and what looks like will be the league decider.

The girls went 1-0 ahead thanks to a Chloe W strike, after being played through by Katie G. Chloe did well running from just inside the opponents half and showing composure in scoring. It could have been so different though, if it hadn't been for an excellent save just before that, when somehow, Amber S managed to dive low and turn a shot behind for a corner when it looked odds on that Turriff would score.

Both teams continued to play football on the deck, but the wet conditions meant the ball was very difficult to control. Turriff equalised midway through the second half with a stunning strike that left Amber with no chance. The game could have gone either way at this stage, but Ellon regained their composure and went ahead again with another powerful header from Alisha M, after a corner from Molly P was excellently delivered. Millie B took control of the midfield again and Myah R was always looking to make things happen, with Myah involved in the 3rd goal when she played a beautiful pass to Molly P, who clinically dispatched it high into the net past the despairing Turriff keeper.

Player of match Millie B

Goal scorers: Chloe W 1, Alisha M 1 and Molly P 1.

Assists: Katie G 1, Molly P 1 and Myah R 1.

Onto the last league game against Inverurie and also the Cup Final against Inverurie. Whatever happens in the next 2 games, this has been a season to remember for us all, both players and coaches.

Mr McLean



## Pupil Achievement:

NASSA Netball:

### ELLON A TEAM FINISH IN 2ND PLACE

Ellon B were up first and fought hard in their first match against Meldrum. A last second goal saw Meldrum win the game 3-2. They then narrowly missed out in their games against Inverurie A and Mintlaw, who both went on to the semifinals. For the majority of the girls in Ellon B this was their netball debut, and we look forward to seeing them playing more next year as they move into S2 & S3.

Ellon A made their presence known after a 14-0 victory in their first match against Inverurie B and continued to be undefeated in their group before meeting Inverurie A in the semifinal. It was a tough match, but Ellon A continued on their winning streak and finished 6-4 progressing onto the final. In the final they came up against Mintlaw who were also undefeated and after early consecutive goals from Mintlaw, Ellon A fought back hard but couldn't quite catch them with the final game finishing 9-6 to Mintlaw. This saw the team finish overall in 2nd place out of 8 teams. (pictured below) Congratulations!

Well done to all of the players involved, it was a great opportunity for them to demonstrate the improvements they have made and the hard work they have been putting in at netball training over the past year. It was also great to see the support and team spirit demonstrated from all of the Ellon players and all pupils were a credit to the school. Well done all!



**Pupil Achievement:**

Congratulations to Eve C, was competing at the Scottish triathlon championships on Saturday, down at Bellahouston Park, Glasgow. Eve came 3rd overall in the TriStar's 2 age group 11-12 year olds. Her race was a 200m swim, 8km bike and a 2k run. Well done, a very good achievement.



## Senior Study and Exam Support:

### Study Skills Support:

Here is a link to Mrs Leslie's Study Skills presentation and the Ellon Academy Study Guide:

<https://ellonacademy.aberdeenshire.sch.uk/pupils/>

### Lunchtime and after school help clubs:

Faculties continue to offer support via help clubs for all senior phase learners.

### Bright Red:

Get quizzical with our N5 Revision Cards for Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Physics! 📖 These cards are great for studying in the run up to exams, as they focus on those tricky questions that students historically get wrong. Visit our website for more info!

<https://www.brightredpublishing.co.uk/shop/revision-cards>



### Here are some helpful websites for study:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z6gw2hv>

<https://www.e-sgoil.com/>

<https://www.studentinformation.gov.scot/students/higher-education/understanding-qualifications-study-tips>

<https://www.sqa.org.uk/pastpapers/findpastpaper.htm>

<https://education.gov.scot/parentzone/learning-at-home/supporting-study/>

### SQA Exam Information:

<https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/100863.html>

### SQA Exam Timetable:

<file:///C:/Users/pbuchan/Downloads/ng-2024-exam-timetable.pdf>

Please note that the Ellon Academy SQA exam timetable may vary to accommodate school bus times and additional assessment arrangements. Use this link as a guide only and your child will receive their individual timetable after the Easter break.

### MyExams app

Create a personal timetable, view your exam schedule, add notes, and add to other calendars.

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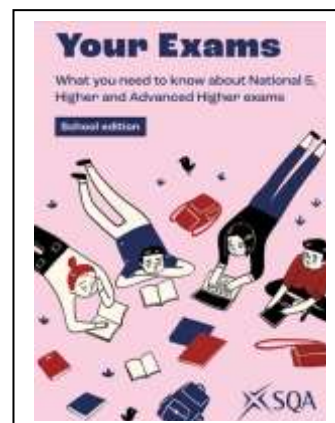
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### MyStudyPlan app

Organise your revision by creating your own study plan.

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**Helping your Teens with Exam Stress:**

Parent Club resources are now available to help parents & carers to support their teens with the stress of exams. Nobody likes exams. But some teens find them particularly stressful and difficult, especially S4s who may be sitting exams for the first time this year.

Parent Club has tips and advice for parents & carers to help them support their teen if they are struggling to cope with exam stress - along with what to do if it all gets a bit too much.

You can find out more on the Parent Club website:-

<https://www.parentclub.scot/articles/how-cope-exam-stress>

**Message from Rachael Jarvis, Canteen Supervisor:**

Please could parents/carers ensure that pupils on study leave have funds on their accounts to pay for food/drinks and any debt they may have. Any pupils not returning after study leave need to have all payments cleared and no debt left at the kitchen. Thank you.

R Jarvis, Canteen Supervisor.

## **Important Information for Parents/Carers from National Crime Agency Alert - Financially Motivated Sexual Extortion**

The following information has been provided to schools by the National Crime Agency in order to raise your awareness of this issue and outline how to address it should you become aware of situation involving a child in your care. In school we will be reminding the children of how to use the internet safely and about the importance of speaking to a trusted adult if they find themselves in a situation where they feel uncomfortable or that worries them.

All schools in the UK have recently been sent information from the National Crime Agency, raising awareness of the recent rise in reporting of financially motivated sexual extortion (a type of online blackmail often known in the media as 'sextortion'). Children and young people worldwide are being targeted.

This type of crime involves an adult offender (often from an organised crime group based overseas) threatening to release nude or semi-nude images and/or videos of a child or young person, unless they pay money, or meet another financial demand, such as purchasing a pre-paid gift card.

Victims of any age and gender can be targets, however a large proportion of cases have involved male victims aged 14-18.

A child or young person is never to blame if they have been a victim. Offenders will have tricked, groomed and/or manipulated them into sharing an image.

Find out more about online blackmail on [CEOP Education's parents and carers website](#).

### **Talking to your child/young person:**

It's important to have frequent, open, and non-judgemental conversations with your child about relationships, sex and being online to build trust and support them if something goes wrong. Financially motivated sexual extortion should be included in those conversations. Here are some tips about how to approach this:

- Chat regularly about their life online: have ongoing conversations with them about their life and time online. Continue to take an interest as they grow, explore new apps and sites together and talk in a balanced way, considering the benefits and the potential harms.
- Talk about where to find information about relationships and sex: organisations like [CEOP Education](#), [Childline](#) and [Brook](#) have age-appropriate advice topics such as sexual communication and image sharing. This will help your child to understand what unhealthy relationships look like, such as applying pressure and blackmail; and give them trusted sources of information to explore these topics.
- Review privacy settings: talk to your child about the importance of using privacy settings on their accounts to restrict who can contact them. Read CEOP Education's advice on [how to talk your child about their privacy settings](#).
- Make sure they know where to go for support: let them know that they can come to you with any concerns and won't be judged. It's also important to make them aware of other trusted adults or sources of support, if they feel they can't talk to you, such as Childline.
- Make sure they know where to report and remind your child how you can help them to report an incident to the police or using the CEOP Safety Centre. Let them know that if a nude or semi-nude of them has been shared without their consent, they can take these 3 steps to try and get them removed:
  1. Use [Report Remove](#), a tool from Childline and the Internet Watch Foundation. Your child can use this to remove images that have been shared or might be shared.
  2. Use [Take It Down](#), a tool from the National Centre for Missing and Exploited Children. Your child can use this to remove or stop the online sharing of images or videos.
  3. Report directly to the platform or app that the incident has occurred on. For advice on how to report to major social media platforms, visit [Internet Matters](#).

To learn more about what resources are available to help you support your child, visit the [UK Safer Internet Centre](#).

## What can I do if this has happened to my child?

If your child tells you that someone is trying to trick, threaten or blackmail them online:

- Don't pay, do stop contact and block: you may be tempted to pay, but there is no guarantee that this will stop the threats. As the offender's motive is to get money, once you have shown you can pay, they will likely ask for more and blackmail may continue. If you have paid, don't panic but don't pay anything more. Help your child to stop all communication with the offender and block them on any accounts that they have been contacted on.
- Avoid deleting anything: try not to delete anything that could be used as evidence such as messages, images, and bank account details.
- Report to the police or CEOP: call 101 or 999 if there is an immediate risk of harm to your child. Or you can use the [CEOP Safety Centre](#) to report any online blackmail attempts.

If it has already happened and your child has shared an image and sent money to someone exploiting them:

- Reassure them that they've done the right thing by telling you: make sure they know they are not to blame for what has happened and they have done the right thing to ask for your help.
- Children and young people's mental health may be negatively impacted by experiences of exploitation; you can [find advice on looking after your child's mental health from the NHS](#).
- Report to the police or CEOP: call 101 or 999 if there is an immediate risk of harm to your child. Or you can use the [CEOP Safety Centre](#) to report an incident. If your child is 18 and over, call 101 or 999 if they are at risk of immediate harm.
- Report any images or videos that have been shared: help your child to remove images that are online or prevent images being shared online by following these three steps:
  1. Use [Report Remove](#), a tool from Childline and the Internet Watch Foundation. Your child can use this to remove images that have been shared or might be shared.
  2. Use [Take It Down](#), a tool from the National Centre for Missing and Exploited Children. Your child can use this to remove or stop the online sharing of images or videos.
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### **Extra-Curricular Activities:**

We are always encouraging our learners to take part in clubs and activities in and out of school to support skills development, so thanks to Mrs Warne for pulling together all the Ellon Academy extra-curricular activities into one booklet for pupils and parents/carers. The booklet can be viewed by following the link to our website below:

<https://ellonacademy.aberdeenshire.sch.uk/extra-curricular-activities/>



### **Pupil information:**

#### **ALL PUPILS – BREAKTIMES IN THE LIBRARY**

Reminders for all pupils:

- The library is open at breaktimes for borrowing, returning and renewing library items, reading and printing.
- The library is a RED ZONE at break time – no phones.
- Pupils should have their snack before coming to the library at breaktime.

#### **ALL PUPILS – TABLE TENNIS CLUB**

If you want to get involved in playing some Table Tennis, come to gym A on a Wednesday at lunchtime. Open to all pupils.

Start Date : Wednesday 20th March.

Time: Lunch Break, Location: GYM A

Mr Hatfield

#### **ALL PUPILS – DIVERSITY CLUB**

Diversity Club has been paused until after the change of timetable (Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June). We will add a new notice to the bulletin soon, so watch this space.

#### **S1/2/3 PUPILS – BADMINTON CLUB**

Due to the Games Hall being used for exams, only Gym A and Gym B will be available for Badminton Club.

This means we will have to revert to a year group rota (due to numbers). Please get in touch if you have any questions. Mon 27.5.24 – S1 only

Miss Morgan and Mr Hatfield

#### **S1-3 PUPILS – SHETLAND EXPLORER TRIO**

A final meeting for the 21 pupils who are going on the Shetland Explorer trip next week will be held in S44 at 13:20 on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May. Pupils can bring their lunch to the meeting and full attendance is expected.

Mrs Buchan, Mrs Chalmers, Miss Neufal.

#### **S1-3 PUPILS – LOGO COMPETITION**

**Reminder** – The competition for a new logo for the Ythan Community Council closes on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May. This is a great opportunity to get involved in designing a new shield which will be used for many years to come to represent the community. Pupils can hand in their designs to their register teacher or submit them on their registration Google Classroom. The Interact Group will be judging the entries on Wed 5<sup>th</sup> June.

#### **S2 PUPILS – FOOTBALL**

Football training will now take place every Tuesday on the grass pitches (15:30-16:30). Please keep an eye on Google Classroom for updates regarding training sessions and future games. Mr Caskie

#### **ALL PUPILS**

The Garden Club will resume on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May – all welcome. Miss Swallow.

## Fund Raising for Maggie's

Rachael C 5K1, her mum and brother have signed up to participate in Maggie's Culture Crawl this year, taking place on June 21st. They will be walking 6 miles around different areas of Aberdeen, which will be awesome! These different areas will include food/ drink/ entertainment etc, so it adds to the experience!

Maggie's provides support for those affected with Cancer, whether it be emotional, practical, physical, financial support, or for those with younger children, and other family members. As part of this exciting opportunity, they have to do a wee spot of fundraising!

They have a Mint Aero Chocolate Hamper for £2.00 per square.

A Galaxy Chocolate Hamper to be raffled off, £2.00 per square.

3 different Sweetie Bouquets to be raffled off, £2.00 per square.

Two x 1000-piece jigsaw + a 2025 Calendar to be raffled off- £ 2.00 per square.

Payment can be made through our Just Giving page @



[https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/SusanClark2024?utm\\_campaign=lc\\_frp\\_share\\_transaction\\_fundraiser\\_page\\_launched&utm\\_content=678913f2-e675-4adf-93b4-368064d44e4d&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=postoffice&utm\\_term=1708890116649](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/SusanClark2024?utm_campaign=lc_frp_share_transaction_fundraiser_page_launched&utm_content=678913f2-e675-4adf-93b4-368064d44e4d&utm_medium=email&utm_source=postoffice&utm_term=1708890116649)

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**University of Aberdeen**  
**Medicine Information Evening for Parents and Carers**

**FAO Parents/ Carers of pupils interested in Medicine.**

The University of Aberdeen School of Medicine would like to invite parents and carers to their upcoming Medicine Information Evening on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June. This is targeted at parents and carers of secondary school pupils who are considering studying Medicine at University.

The event will feature a range of key speakers including Doctors, Medical Students, and the Admissions Lead for Medicine. We will discuss some of the main aspects of a degree in medicine, career opportunities, and subject requirements. We will also share information on the application and selection process for medical school.

**Event location and times**

The information evening will be held at the Suttie Centre, Foresterhill Campus in Aberdeen. Registration will open at 17:30 for an 18:00 start. We anticipate the session to end at 20:00.

**Event Programme**

The evening will feature a range of speakers including medical professionals, current students, and the Admissions Lead for Medicine. The programme will be released one week prior to the event.

**How can I book?**

Booking is open now online at <https://gck.fm/ombpw>

When booking please select if you would like to bring any additional guests. Young people are also welcome but please include them as a guest. If you select 0 guests, this will give a place to the person filling in the form only. The maximum number of guests allowed is 2 as spaces are limited. We will operate a waitlist if the event is fully booked.

**Getting to the Suttie Centre**

The Suttie Centre is labelled as building 13 on the campus map at <https://www.abdn.ac.uk/about/documents/Foresterhill-Campus.pdf>. The nearest bus stops are on Ashgrove Road West or at the main reception of ARI. Free parking is available in the University Car park for the purposes of this event, accessed via Ashgrove Road West from 5pm onwards. There is no need to display a permit in the university car park after business hours. More information on getting to the Suttie Centre can be found at <https://www.abdn.ac.uk/suttie-centre/getting-here/index.php>.

**I can't make the event. Are there other opportunities to visit?**

Our next Open Day for Medicine will be on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2024. Booking is now open at [www.abdn.ac.uk/openday](http://www.abdn.ac.uk/openday).

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

We look forward to welcoming you to the University of Aberdeen.

Kind regards,

Anna

On behalf of University of Aberdeen School of Medicine, Medical Science, and Nutrition

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# ELLON ACADEMY DANCE SHOWCASE

**27TH OF JUNE 2024**  
**DOORS: 7:15 PM START: 7:30PM**

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF DANCE,  
CHEER AND GYMNASTICS WITH PUPILS  
FROM ELLON ACADEMY AND M&D CHEER

LOCATION: ELLON ACADEMY GAMES  
HALL  
TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE  
FROM THE ELLON ACADEMY SCHOOL  
OFFICE

ALL PROCEEDS GOING TO EASA

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE



Tickets:  
Adults £6  
Concessions £4

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## SIGN UP NOW

**27TH OF JUNE 2024 7:15PM**

SIGN UP TO TAKE PART IN THE ELLON  
ACADEMY DANCE SHOWCASE TO RAISE  
MONEY FOR EASA.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR DANCERS &  
GYMNASTS TO PERFORM SOLO OR  
GROUP ROUTINES ALONGSIDE OUR  
SCHOOL CHEER TEAMS IN A SHOWCASE  
TO PARENTS/CARERS AND THE  
COMMUNITY.

SIGN UP USING THE QR CODE BELOW...!  
CLOSING DATE 31/05/2024



## \*\*EASA RAFFLE\*\*

This year's EASA Raffle will take place at the Dance Showcase on Thursday the 27th of June. Tickets for the raffle will be available to buy on the night at the showcase.

Last year we raised an amazing £1347 for EASA and this money has gone towards equipment, uniforms, and subsidising bus costs.

## EASA Raffle

This year's EASA Raffle will take place at the  
2024 Dance Showcase on 27/06/24.

If you own or know of any businesses who  
are in a position to donate a prize please get  
in touch via email or with the school directly.

Last year we managed to raise an amazing  
£1347.50 which has helped to subsidise  
uniform, equipment and bus costs across  
EASA clubs.



Prizes can be dropped  
at school reception or  
PE Department or  
arranged for collection.

For all raffle enquiries  
please email:  
margaret.williams@  
aberdeenshire.gov.uk

**SAAS information for Parents/Carers:**

Do you know a young person heading to college or university?

We recommend applying early for 2024-25 courses to ensure funding is in place prior to their course starting.

For information on types of funding, eligibility and how to apply, visit [www.saas.gov.uk](http://www.saas.gov.uk).

[#StartWithSAAS](#)



**Introducing Enterprising Aberdeenshire:**

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**INTRODUCING ENTERPRISING ABERDEENSHIRE**

We are excited to introduce you to Enterprising Aberdeenshire, a new project dedicated to supporting pre-start and new businesses in Aberdeenshire. Developed and delivered by Aberdeenshire Council, Enterprising Aberdeenshire is funded by the UK Government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

**What we offer**

- 📍 Networking Events
- 📍 Training Opportunities
- 📍 One-to-one Support
- 📍 Connection to other organisations both within the council and with other external partners.
- 📍 Business to Business connections to encourage local suppliers to connect and grow our local businesses and communities.

The team will provide events and training opportunities led by what their community asks for, or raises as barriers to success, meaning that help and support is place-based, relevant and connected to the place its delivered in.

Whether you are looking to start a new venture, grow your side hustle into your main income or take your small business to the next level, Enterprising Aberdeenshire is here to support you.

**Register for support:**  
[bit.ly/RegisterWithEA](http://bit.ly/RegisterWithEA)

**Sign up to one of our upcoming events:**  
[bit.ly/EventsEA](http://bit.ly/EventsEA)

✉ [enterprisins@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:enterprisins@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)

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Please feel free to reach out to us directly if you have any questions or would like to discuss how Enterprising Aberdeenshire can assist you further. We are here to help!

## Dates for Your Diary:

### Term 4:

Mon/Tues 27/28 <sup>th</sup> May	S3 Build Your Future/Entrepreneurship Days
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> May	S1/2/3 Activities Days
Fri 31.5.24	S2/3 Tracking Report (2) issue.
Mon 3.6.24	Change of timetable
Thurs 6.6.24	Sports Day
Tues 11.6.24	Parent Council Meeting (In-person at Ellon Academy), 7.00pm – 8.30pm
25 <sup>th</sup> , 26 <sup>th</sup> 27 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 Induction Days
Wed 26.6.24	P7 Parents Evening
Thurs 27.6.24	Dance Showcase – 7pm Theatre
Tues 2.7.24	Drama Showcase – 7.30pm Theatre
Fri 5.7.24	Dress Down Day/End of Term

The Ellon Academy School Calendar for session 23/24 is available to view on our school website by following the link below.

<https://ellonacademy.aberdeenshire.sch.uk/calendar/>

Thank you for your continued support and I hope you have a lovely weekend.

*P Buchan*

Rector 24.5.24