

KEY DATES COMING UP

Date	Year	Dept	Details
5-Nov	S1		S1 PARENTS EVENING
w/c 5-Nov	S2	All	S2 Tracking Report due out to parents
7-Nov	S4-6	DRAMA	The National 5 Drama class will be performing at The Bridge for the Shakespeare Schools festival on Wednesday 7th November at 7pm.
w/c 12-Nov	S3	All	S3 Tracking Report due out to parents
w/c/26-Nov	S4-6	All	2nd Tracking Report due out to parents
3-Dec	S3		S3 PARENTS EVENING
5-Dec	S4-6		S4-6 Prelims begin (until 19th Dec)

CURRICULUM EVENTS/MEETINGS

Date	Year	Dept	Details
20-Oct	S6	RE	Caritas collection at Celtic Park with SCIAF
22-Oct	S6	RE	Visit to the Sisters of the Gospel of Life with Mr Mann and Mr Graham.
30-Oct	S6	RE	Caritas@the Cathedral event from 0930-1230 all RC secondaries from the Archdiocese of Glasgow will be in attendance. Caritas nominees will attend the Confirmation of our associated primaries at St Mary's parish 6:30pm.
6-Nov		Social	Urban Plan Workshop - Ms McWilliams
9-Nov	S4-6	Social	Remembrance Day Event - Mrs Tracey
3-14th Dec		History	'Anne Frank, A History for Today' – Exhibition in school. All young people, staff, parent/carers and partners will be invited to attend. - Mrs Tracey

CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

House Council Meetings - Friday 3-4pm until end of November

S1/2 Football - Mr Barker - Wednesday after school, 15:00 - 16:00 - Crownpoint

STEM - Miss Slaven, Miss Ali, Mr Gallagher, Mr Barker - Wednesday lunch – Science

Knitting - Miss Kenny - Tuesday at lunch - F22 in Maths

Badminton - Mrs Mullan - Tuesday after school, 15:50 - 16:50 - Gameshall

Athletics - Mr Meldrum - Thursday after school, 15:00 - 16:00 - Gameshall

Volleyball - Mr Burke - Wednesday after school, 15:00 - 16:00 - Gameshall

Play Unified - Miss Sullivan - Wednesday lunch - Gameshall

Dancing - Miss Sneddon - Wednesday lunch - Gameshall

Funky Fabric - Mrs Howitt - Wednesday lunch - Sewing room, G58

Comic Book - Miss Hopkins - Wednesday lunch - Art room , F70

Daily Mile - Various teachers and senior pupils - Every day during lunchtime - Ash pitch

Children's University - Miss Tracey and Miss Peebles - Lunchtime each week - Drama studio or ICT

Drama - Tuesday lunch

Ukulele - Monday lunch

Choir - Thursday lunch

Soul band - Wednesday lunch

Orchestra - Wednesday after school

S1 Modern Languages Homework Club Fridays - 12.45 - Mr Lansdowne

S2 Computer coding club - Friday lunchtimes - Mr Baird - Computing

S3 Computer coding club - Monday lunchtimes - Mr Baird - Computing



MATHS SUPPORTED STUDY



Maths Week :

1st Place—McKelvie's Mathletes



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HEAD TEACHER'S WELCOME

Dear Parents / Carers,

Over the past month we have had many occasions to celebrate: St Mungo's was awarded a Professional Learning Award by the General Teaching Council for Scotland; and, we celebrated our young peoples' achievements with the Depute First Minister John Swinney at our annual Awards Ceremony.

A new addition to the Awards Ceremony was our partnership awards for employability qualifications, personal development and Duke of Edinburgh. This kind of partnership working is the theme of this edition of the school newsletter.

The government's Pupil Equity Fund money has allowed us to engage with many partners to extend our ability to support our pupils and their families. 'Bringing out the best' is our school motto; our new partnerships are bringing new and innovative ways of making this real. An insight into some of these partnerships is outlined in this newsletter.

Of course, the most important partnership we can foster is with parents and families. We are keen to improve how we get information to families, but also how we can invite greater involvement/participation. I would personally like to invite you to become involved in the Partnership Schools programme that is mentioned later in the newsletter; only together can we 'Bring out the best' for all of our young people.

**A Milton
Head Teacher**

SENIOR PHASE—RAISING ATTAINMENT

SUPPORTED STUDY

Supported Study will be running Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights in the build up to the prelims in December.

STUDY WEEKEND

The Blairvadoch study weekend trip will be taking place on the 2nd-4th November.

Mr Glen

STAFFING

We welcome Claire Wassell as the new Faculty Head of Science. We wish Mrs Grant well in her retirement.

We congratulate Mr Milton in his recent promotion. We welcome Thomas Walker into the PE department.

We also welcome Emily Gillies into the English department.

MATHS UPDATE

Our recent National Maths Week activities were very successful. Congratulations to our challenge winners - some of them are shown in the photos in this month's newsletter.

Currently, our young people are studying:

- S1 The four operations
- S2 Fractions / Co-ordinates
- S3 Fractions /Pythagoras
- N3 Fractions
- N4 Statistics
- N5 The Straight Line / Factorising
- H Logarithms and exponentials/ Graphs of functions



INTRODUCING SOME OF OUR PARTNERS



PARENT/FAMILY LEARNING
FAMILY SUPPORT

FAMILY LIAISON OFFICERS

Our role is to provide a link between the school and your family, and to support your young people to overcome any barriers to learning and opportunities. We are here to provide support to parents and carers, and to help with any issues that you may have in relation to supporting your children, both at home and in school. We are working to increase parental involvement within school and to encourage families to learn and work together. Any query, large or small, that you may require assistance with, we are here to help.

Contact: Natalie Miller / Louise Abernethy



Emotional Literacy Support Coordinator

Lifelink offer a range of supports for our young people. From groupwork sessions to promote emotional intelligence and confidence, to one-to-one counselling sessions, our Lifelink partnership is a key part of our extended support team.

Contact: Carol Ann Gvineria



MCR Pathways Coordinator

MCR Pathways run the Young Glasgow Talent programme in the school to support groups of S1-S6 pupils to improve their engagement, attainment, achievement & positive destinations. S1 and S2 pupils take part in weekly groupwork sessions to develop their skills and explore such topics as alcohol & drugs, knife crime & antisocial behaviour, and employability & budgeting. S3 pupils are supported by a mentor one period per week to the young people onto a positive path and help them realise their potential. Mentoring continues until the young person decides they don't need a mentor anymore or until they leave school when they will continue to receive support for six months.

Contact: Michael Mooney



Campus Police Officer

Our new campus officer works to build rapport with our young people and understand their community context. By supporting learning and through groupwork interventions, our campus officer will be helping our young people to understand how choices and decisions can affect their future.

Contact: PC Chris Smith



Active Schools

Active Schools aims to provide more and higher quality opportunities for pupils across Glasgow to be more active more often. Sessions take place before, during and after school and our Coordinator works within the school to increase the number and diversity of pupils participating in physical activity.

Contact: D Martin



SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND

Our role to support young people's understanding of their learning and career pathway. We offer one-to-one interviews to explore skills and aspirations, and we also deliver aspects of the PSE Curriculum. Pupils are welcome to pop into the library if they have any questions about career support or available opportunities.

Contact: Stuart Bauld



Columba
1400

COLUMBA1400

Columba1400 are working in partnership with the school to deliver Leadership Academies to young people from S3-6. The programme leads young people to focus on six core values of Awareness, Focus, Creativity, Integrity, Perseverance and Service allowing to discover their own personal values. Through a residential experience and supported leadership activities, young people use their values to plan and carry out an improvement activity within the school community.

Contact: Liam Stewart



McTaggart Construction

McTaggart Construction is our named business partner to support our efforts to 'develop the young workforce'. This year, a cohort of young people are being supported through an 'Construction Ready' programme to give them the industry-standard qualifications and experiences necessary to follow a career pathway in construction. Wider opportunities are also available for a wider group of young people for skill taster experiences.

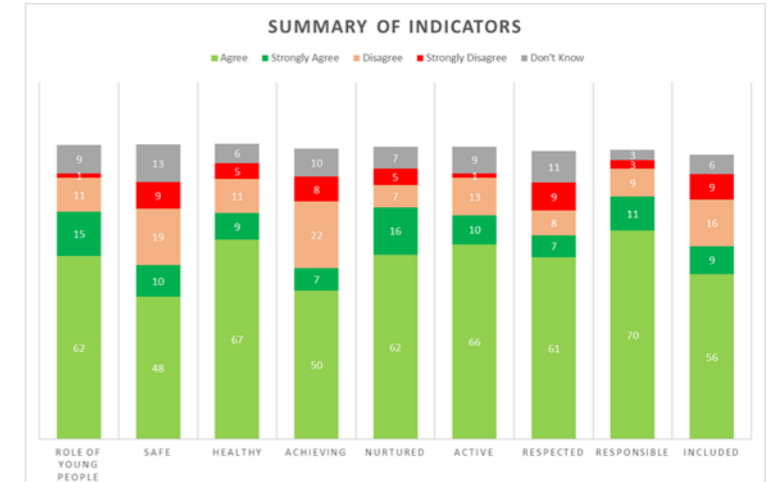
Contact: Ross Hammell

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE FEEDBACK

From May-June 2018, parents were invited to participate in an online questionnaire and to contribute to one of five focus group sessions. The purpose of these activities was to listen to parents and their views about the school's provision for their young people. Below is a summary of the findings of parents' views on school provision, strengths and areas for improvement. Some key messages are given below, and the full feedback report is available to download here: <http://bit.ly/smaparentfeedback18>

Key Messages:

- In most measures, parents are positive about their young person's experience at St Mungo's
- Parents need to know more about what is going on in school or how parents can contribute (No. of 'Don't Knows')
- Parents believe work isn't too easy
- Need to promote parental sense of belonging to the school community
- Helping pupils to be responsible is a key strength
- Care, support and respect are key strengths
- Bullying, school climate and how pupils are supported needs further exploration or communication



Next steps:

We are very keen to work more closely in partnership with parents, carers and families. Connect will be working with the school to support parents' engagement and involvement with the school. See <http://connect.scot> to learn more.

WHO TO CONTACT ABOUT YOUR CHILD

If you have any concerns about your child's learning or wellbeing, please contact the Pastoral Care teacher for your child's house group: St Andrew House = Mrs Jenkins / St Enoch House = Mr Parker / St Francis House = Mrs Moffat / St Ninian House = Mr Marsh / Br Walfrid House = Miss Lynch

INVITATION TO PARENTS



Connect (formerly the Scottish Teacher Parent Council) ran an introductory workshop to parents who attended our recent survey feedback evening.

Our school has been offered the opportunity to participate in the successful Partnership Schools Scotland programme .

This will be a programme run by Connect staff in partnership with parents to identify and take forward an action for improvement.

The next step will be for parents to attend a full workshop with Connect to explore how parents can be fully involved in improving our school.

If you would like more information, or if you wish to be involved, please email paulmcwatt@glow.sch.uk.

