

HEAD TEACHER'S REPORT TO THE PARENT COUNCIL

Tuesday 25 October 2022

Buddy Breakfast

This took place on the Thursday 29 and Friday 30 September. Our S6 House Captains organised and led a morning of team building activities followed by breakfast and a chance to get to know your buddies better. At the breakfast, S1s completed their 'Time Capsules' which guidance teachers will keep until their last day of S6. Both mornings were a great success. The leadership demonstrated by our Captains, Prefects and other S6 pupils was outstanding.



S3 Parents Open Evening

We welcomed our S3 parents to the school for the first time since their child started in S1 on 5 October for an open evening. Departments had prepared information, activities and demonstrations to share the learning with parents. It was very well attended and our pupils were great role models as usual. It was a really worthwhile event and we received very positive feedback.



Curriculum Trips

Curriculum trips have started again for the first time since Covid. Our Senior Pupils who are studying furniture making visited Dumfries House to learn about upholstery and made cushion covers for chairs. S3 and S4 pupils also went to Dumfries House for a countryside careers day organised by the Prince's Trust and the Royal Highland

Educational Trust Ayrshire and Arran. The aim of the day was to introduce secondary pupils to the variety of careers that exist locally in this sector. Also this month, a few pupils visited the Egger Factory in East Ayrshire with Design and Technology staff for a design competition. Finally, our Nurture group enjoyed a trip to the Galloway Activity Centre for some team building and confidence development. We have more trips planned in the months ahead.

Upcoming Events

Thursday 27 October	S1 Parents' Evening
Tuesday 1 November	S4 Study Skills sessions
Thursday 10 November	Children in Need Talent Show 7pm
14 – 18 November	Children in Need Week
Tuesday 15 November	S5/6 Parents' Evening
15 – 16 November	South Ayrshire Council Quality Improvement Visit

Theme of the Month for November: Our Values in Focus – Responsibility