

HEAD TEACHER'S REPORT TO THE PARENT COUNCIL

Tuesday 25 March 2025

Young Musician of the Year Competition

This took place on 5 March. We had 15 performers who competed in either the Junior Class (S1 to S3) or the Senior Class (S4 to S6). As usual, there was an enjoyable variety of instruments and styles, from Grieg on the piano, to Black Sabbath on the drum kit, to the Bare Necessities on the trombone. It was a wonderful evening. Well done to Junior winners Rory Somerville and Greta Dodds; and Senior winners Jac Gemmell and Lucy Assur. Our musicians are currently competing in the Ayrshire Music Festival.



Duke of Edinburgh's Award Ceremony

Young people who have completed gold, silver or bronze levels across the South Ayrshire were invited to the annual Awards Ceremony on 6 March at Troon Town Hall. As usual, Kyle was well represented among those who have completed the Duke of Edinburgh's Award this year - 25 Bronze, 10 Silver and 2 Gold. We also have 50 Bronze, 20 Silver and 5 Gold participants taking part this year. We are delighted that so many of our young people participate in the award which encourages them to learn a new skill and to volunteer as well as test their resilience and leadership with the outdoor expeditions.

Options and Timetabling

The options process is complete for another year and Mrs Harper is working with our timetabling team to create next session's whole school timetable. Options must be complete before timetabling begins so that the number of sections required for each subject can be factored in and cross checked with the number of staff (and the number of rooms) available. The timetable should be completed by Easter, ready for checks to begin. This is a lengthy process as you can imagine! The date for the timetable change is Wed 28 May (Seniors will return from study leave on Thursday 29 May).

Staffing Update

We have currently been recruiting for Design and Technology teachers for August – one to replace Miss Cooper and another for a mat leave. Miss Cameron, who is currently a probationer teacher with us, was appointed to the permanent vacancy. We also have an advert out at present for PT of Home Economics which we were unable to recruit last session.

Upcoming events

Fri 4 April	School closes for Easter holidays 2.30pm
Tue 22 April	Pupils return
Thur 24 April	S6 last day
Fri 25 April	SQA examinations begin – study leave starts

Next meeting of Parent Council - Tuesday 29 April 2025