

Mearns Updates

March 2023



Staffing

Following the Easter break we will welcome 2 new staff members. Beth Johnston will join us as a Teacher of Art and Kirsten Rankin will join as a Teacher of English. Both have previously been PGDE students here in Mearns Academy and we look forward to welcoming them back. In our Admin Team we welcome back Laura Donald this week following maternity leave and in April we welcome Charlotte Price to our admin team.

We are currently in the process of introducing a new post to Mearns Academy – STEM Lead teacher. This post will look to enhance the work currently taking place on STEM across our school and wider cluster primary schools.

Sports

It has been a very successful month across a range of sports. We have seen success in Rugby, Football, Netball and Hockey. Well done and thank you to all involved.

Another successful trip to Murrayfield took place to watch the Six Nations match between Scotland and Ireland. A great experience for all regardless of the result!



Expressive Arts

Well done to all participants and staff who were involved in Young Musician of the Year 2023 and congratulations to Logan Forbes winning overall for the second time. It really was a fantastic evening with all young people doing themselves proud.

Congratulations and well done also to the Advanced Higher Drama class with their production of Find a Partner. Two great evenings were enjoyed by staff, pupils and the audience.

Games Shows

This week is ending on a high with the leadership class putting on 3 game shows during lunchtimes on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week. We have seen pupils and staff competing in The Chase, Family Fortunes and Countdown.

A great, competitive end to the term.



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Staff v Pupil

Our Staff v Pupil competitions continued in March with staff winning the netball earlier this month. The last competition of the term will be Staff V Pupils football in the games hall this Friday.

Assemblies

Since the February mid-term our two School Captains Corrine and Sophie have led a number of assemblies across all year groups focusing on protected characteristics. They have spoken to each year group on such topics as **age, disability, LGBT, race, religion and belief**. The assemblies were well received by pupils and were excellently delivered by our School Captains.

Crew Drugs Education

This month 3 pupils from Mearns Academy attended a training day in Edinburgh at the charity CREW 2000. The programme is part of the pilot scheme 'Just Say Know'!




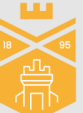
Employers Lunch

A huge thank you to our employer partners who came into Mearns Academy last week to set up their stalls for our Employers Engagement lunchtime session. The sessions were well received by pupils and is another level of support in ensuring a positive road ahead for the young people.

Pupil Leadership

Applications for School Captain are currently open. Prefect applications will open after the Easter break.

House Points

	Drumtochty House	1072
	Thornton House	1012
	Conveth House	956
	Johnston House	880

Key Dates

- April 17th term 4 begins
- April 20th Pupils Leadership day out
- April 21st Record of Achievement Day
- April 24th Study Leave for all pupils S4-S6
- April 27th SQA Diet commences
- May 1st May Day holiday
- May 8th Holiday
- May 31st - June 2nd Activity Days
- June 5th Occasional Day
- June 6th Change of Timetable
- June 16th Sports Day



A CELEBRATION OF OUR WONDERFUL COMMUNITY

MEARNS ACADEMY PARENT COUNCIL PRESENTS

SUMMER FAYRE

17TH JUNE 2023 11AM-3PM @ MEARNS ACADEMY

FOOD STALLS

ACTIVITIES

SHOPPING

SWAP SHOP

MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT



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