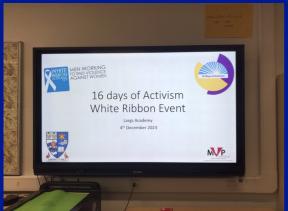


Largs Academy Newsletter JANUARY 2024



Happy New(sletter) Year!

Activism

As a school community we are proud to raise awareness of issues important to our young people.

Our S6 Mentors for Violence Prevention launched the White Ribbon Campaign and encouraged a large number of pupils to pledge to support this cause to end gender based violence. Our S2 pupils have started the Youth Philanthropy Initiative(YPI) project in RME and a group of pupils raised money and awareness of homelessness charity CHAP through successful bake sale.





Strictly at Largs

Our end of term Strictly Come Dancing was a sell out and showcased 10 dances featuring a mixture of staff and pupils. Well done to S1 pupils Madeleine Payton who the lifted and to glitterball trophy everyone who participated in this special event. Another successful project led by our pupil group - LA Events.

Christmas Concert and Ceilidhs



Our annual Christmas Concert ended the term in a unique way with musical performances ranging from Katy Perry, ABBA and Black Sabbath alongside some more traditional Christmas songs. For the first time our Drama pupils featured in special performances throughout making the night a lively showcase of our very talented pupils.

Across the final week of term, we also built ceilidhs into the PE curriculum with live traditional music and Mr Beattie calling the pupils through The Dashing White Sergeant.



Spotlight on... Primary 7 Transitions

Making sure that our Primary 7 pupils feel safe, welcome and happy by the time they start at Largs Academy each August is very important to us. With that in mind, over the past two years we have built a comprehensive transition programme to ensure that they are better supported throughout this process.

Last term, Mr Frew and Mrs McIlroy (the Year Team for our new S1) visited all cluster primaries to meet with the classes and answer any Qs that they may have. They have been highly impressed with the young people that they met during these visits. At the end of term, our S6 Transition Leaders organised an inter-school Christmas Quiz which was attended by all cluster pupils.

This session our P7 pupils will be invited to Largs for a Scavenger Hunt and Values workshop before the two transition days that take place in June where pupils follow their timetable in their new classes.

Alongside this, our Science team will be working in our cluster primary schools on a new transition science programme and we have our Cluster Rights Respecting Day at the end of March.







<u>Key Dates - January</u>

January 15th - January 30th: Higher and Advanced Higher Prelims

January 16th:

Parent Council (18:00-19:00) on Teams

January 24th:

S2 Parent Meeting (15:30-16:30) in-person at Largs Academy

January 31st:





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