



Largs Academy Newsletter

JANUARY 2025

Christmas Concert



Happy New Year from Largs Academy! In our January Newsletter we summarise lots of the exciting things that were happening just before we closed for the holidays. Firstly, our annual Christmas Concert was another fantastic evening of musical performances, singing and drama. We are so proud of all of our talented pupils who put themselves forward to showcase their skills. This year we also welcomed talented musicians from our cluster primary schools to our programme. The event also saw our Senior Band share an original song they co-wrote with X-Factor finalist Ryan Lawrie at a recent workshop.

Strictly Come Dancing

We had another hugely successful Strictly Come Dancing showcase featuring outstanding performances from over 30 staff and pupils. The judging team of Mr Doherty and Mr Templeton welcomed Mrs Lunday and Mrs MacLean into their panel and Mrs Charlwood-Green represented staff dancing with a hip hop number. After much deliberation our overall winners were Sofia and Rebecca with Ralph an honorable runner-up. Huge thanks to our Senior Events Management class for organising another fun-filled event.



Ski Trip to Sestriere



Largs Academy's recent ski trip to Sestriere was a fantastic success,. The group, led by the dedicated teachers—Mr. Murchie, Mrs. Clark, Miss Muir, and Mr. Trainer—made the most of their time in the Italian Alps, improving their skiing skills while soaking up the stunning scenery. The pupils' enthusiasm, teamwork, and positive attitude were evident throughout the trip, and their exemplary behaviour did not go unnoticed. The organisers of the trip were so impressed that they contacted the school to praise the students, describing them as "outstanding" representatives of Largs Academy.

For those eager to experience the magic of a ski trip, exciting news is on the way—details about next year's adventure will be issued soon! Keep an eye out for updates.

Spotlight on... Litter at Largs Academy

At Largs Academy, we take great pride in our school and local community. Led by Dr. Mitchell, our pupils actively participate in a weekly litter pick, working hard to keep the school campus and surrounding areas clean. Their dedication has made a visible difference, and we are incredibly grateful for their efforts.

However, despite these initiatives, we continue to receive reports from members of the community that some pupils are still littering. This is disappointing, as littering not only damages the environment but also affects the reputation of our school. It is essential that all pupils understand the importance of taking responsibility for their actions and respecting the local area.

We have repeatedly reminded pupils of the harm caused by littering. Discarded waste can pollute the environment, harm wildlife, and make public spaces unpleasant for everyone. As a school, we are committed to reinforcing this message, but we also ask for the support of parents and carers. Please take the time to discuss this issue at home and encourage your child to dispose of their rubbish responsibly. Setting a good example by keeping shared spaces clean can make a significant difference.

To ensure that all pupils respect their environment, we will be introducing stricter consequences for those who fail to do so. Any pupil caught littering will lose their lunchtime freedoms. We hope this measure will serve as a clear deterrent and encourage everyone to play their part in keeping Largs a cleaner, greener place.

Together, we can make a lasting impact and foster a sense of pride in our community. Let's all do our bit to keep Largs beautiful.

Key Dates – February 2025

Feb 7th:

Fundraising Friday non-uniform day. Small donations for YPI charities and Holocaust Memorial Day

Feb 10th:

S1-S3 Tracking Report 2 issued home.

S2 Virtual Parent Information Evening on S3 Options (6:30pm)

Feb 13th:

S5/S6 Tracking Report with Prelim results issued home

S4 and S5 Virtual Parent Information Evening on S5 and S6 Options (6:30pm)

Feb 17th and 18th:

School closed for pupils – Public Holiday and Staff Inservice Day

Feb 20th:

Senior Phase Parent Meeting 2 – please note this Parent Meeting is initially targeted at the parents of pupils who have underperformed in their prelims. Appointments will be opened for all parents thereafter. Parents and carers will be emailed with instructions shortly.

Feb 24th:

S3 Virtual Parent Information Evening on S4 Options (6:30pm)

WINTER WARMER BREAKFAST



FEELING HUNGRY?

Get a free breakfast from the dining hall every morning. Choose from either a hot roll or two of the following: fruit pot, croissant, cheese scone, pancake or toast.

**Available from Monday 4 November
- Friday 28 March 2025 at all
secondary schools.**