



Largs Academy Newsletter

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40 Years of Service...



Love and congratulations to our Senior Catering Supervisor – Isabel Davidson – who celebrates 40 years of service to North Ayrshire Council's Catering this month. Isabel oversees the smooth delivery of the pizzinis, paninis, fish Fridays and chicken nugget demands of over 2000 pupils and staff across 4 EYCs, 5 primaries and Largs Academy every day. And always with a smile. Thanks to Isabel for all of her hard work, efforts and commitment to our school community.

Girls in Engineering – Strathclyde University

Molly, Amy and Eilidh were chosen to participate in the WEIR-WISE S2 Girls in Engineering, at Strathclyde University in January.

Over the course of the two days, the girls participated in Architecture, Chemical Engineering and Electronics workshops to find out about careers for girls in this sector and they had an opportunity to listen to guest speakers from Industry. All three girls are really excited about the prospect of embarking on Engineering careers in the future.



School Library



We are delighted to announce an update for our school library, which will now be open on Mondays and Thursdays, supported by our Library Assistant, Ms Kelly. This marks an exciting step forward in strengthening literacy, learning and wellbeing across the school. Pupils will have access to the library through their English lessons, allowing them time to explore texts, develop research skills and build a love of reading in a structured setting. In addition, the library will be open at lunchtimes, giving pupils the opportunity to visit independently, borrow books, or simply enjoy the space. The library will also be available at lunchtime and after school for pupils who are looking for a calm, quiet environment to read, study or take time out.

Spotlight on... Community Partnerships



We are proud of our partnership with Helter Skelter, who have supported a successful bid from our Parent Council to deliver First Aid training and a level 6 qualification to all Senior Phase pupils. Thanks to their generous support, Helter Skelter has helped secure sustainability for this initiative by covering staff training costs so that Mr Templeton will soon be qualified to deliver First Aid instruction to future cohorts of pupils. This ensures that valuable life-saving skills will continue to be taught at our school year after year. We are grateful for the positive impact this partnership has on our pupils' skills, confidence and wellbeing.

In addition, we are delighted to be part of a new community minibus partnership involving Largs Thistle, North Ayrshire Council and the Parent Councils across the Largs cluster. This collaborative initiative provides access to a shared minibus that will benefit pupils across our schools, supporting transport to curricular, extracurricular and wider achievement opportunities. By working together, partners have helped remove barriers to participation and ensure equitable access for all pupils. This partnership strengthens links between schools, families and the local community, while enhancing opportunities for learning beyond the classroom. We are grateful to all involved for their commitment to supporting young people across the Largs cluster.

Key Dates – February 2026

Feb 5th:
Fundraising Thursday for our YPI charities

Feb 6th – Feb 10th:
February Holiday – school closed to pupils.
School reopens at 9am on Feb 11th.

Feb 13th:
Careers Fayre for pupils (11am–3pm)
S5/6 Pupil Progress Reports issued

Feb 19th:
S2 Pupil Progress Meeting (15:30–17:30)

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