




MINTLAW ACADEMY PUPIL BULLETIN

Tuesday 19th November 2024

Respect Aspiration Inclusion Success

Curricular

S1	QR Treasure Hunt	
	As part of Doric Week, S1 pupils are invited to take part in a QR Treasure Hunt for a chance to win a prize! There are 11 QR codes hidden around the school for you to find. Log in to Glow and scan the codes for clues and instructions. iPads can be borrowed from the Modern Languages base (B5) at lunchtime if required. You have until Friday, good luck!	
S1	Volunteers – Wednesday 27th November	
	We are looking for some volunteers to help after school on Wednesday 27 th November. If you are able to help, please go to B10. Thanks	
S1	Lunchtime Drop-In	
	There will now be an S1 drop in during Thursday lunch times in E3! Come along with your lunch if you'd like the chance to meet new people, get some support, or would just like a place to relax. The drop-in is open to S1 pupils only. Hope to see you there!	
S1	S1 Football	
	We have a fixture on Thursday 21 st of November at home to Fraserburgh Academy. A squad sheet has been posted outside the PE base. Please tick your name if you're available to play by Tuesday break time.	
S2	PE Pupil Voice	
	Can you please get S2 pupils in your crew class to access and fill out this form. https://forms.office.com/e/wy31cxyMem	

	 <p>S2 PE Pupil Voice</p>	
S4 – S6	EMA Application	
	<p>Please be advised that the EMA Application Form for this session is now live so pupils can apply.</p> <p>The application form can be found here: https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/school-info/assistance/ema/</p>	
S1 - S6	Class Displacements – Thursday 21st November	
	<p>Period 1 & 2: 3C Art to F5 Period 1:1.8 Art – to F6</p>	
S1 – S6	Doric Week	
	<p>Aye aye and fit like this wik?</p> <p>Doric Wik is up and runnin - wi quizzes in the bulletin for the crew and reggie classes, and the S1 treasure hunt happenin a wik. (Look out for the QR codes aroon the skweel.)</p> <p>There's twa very special events later on in the wik that are open tae aa of ye - Bundy's gig on Thursday in the Social Area and reading Doric Harry Potter on Friday in the library.</p> <p>See ye there!</p>	
S1 – S6	NASSA Swimming	
	<p>The school has been invited to attend the NASSA Swimming event at Peterhead Academy on Friday 13th of December. If you would like to enter or would like more information please speak to staff in PE department.</p>	
S1 – S6	NASSA Badminton – 22nd November	

On the **22nd November** we are attending Inverurie Academy to participate in the NASSA Badminton event. We need volunteers for each of the following categories:

Junior (S1&2) Boys and Girls
Intermediate (S3&4) Boys and Girls
Senior (S5&6) Boys and Girls

For each section there will be a boys doubles, girls double and mixed doubles team.

If interested, please head down to PE and give your name to PE department and there will be a trial to decide who represents each year group on Wednesday 13th November at 12:30pm lunchtime.

S1 – S6 Warm Clothing Appeal For Aberdeen Cyrenians

The MCR cohort will be collecting any donations of your outgrown or used jackets, gloves and hats to donate to Aberdeen Cyrenians, a charity dedicated to supporting people affected by homelessness, violence, and other forms of social issues.

The group will be dropping off the items in December if you have any items, then please hand in to F2.



Warm Clothes Appeal.
**Can you donate thermal vests, socks,
hats, scarves, gloves or jumpers?**
**Let's help folks get through
the cold winter**

S1 – S6 Charity Winter Appeal 2024 – Shoebox Donations



As the weather turns and we start to feel the cold again, it's worth thinking of those less fortunate than us who will struggle this winter. That's why we've teamed up with local charity Stella's Voice to help in their Winter Appeal for Ukraine, where war is disrupting lives beyond what we can even imagine. We are asking every Crew and Reg class to put together a shoebox of donations for the young people and children of Ukraine, containing small Christmas gifts or hygiene products. Staff and students alike, come together to make Mintlaw proud! Each Crew/Reg will receive a leaflet in their reg pack.

Donations needed: toiletries and hygiene items (shampoo, soap, sanitary products, toothbrush/ toothpaste, deodorant, etc) and small Christmas gifts (toys, teddies, books, sweets).

Crews/ Reg – please do your bit by gift wrapping a shoebox (with the lid and box separate) and fill with donated items.

All staff – if you wish to make individual donations and don't have a Crew or Reg, feel free to pop into F16 where a box is available for such items.

	Donations need to be packed and ready to be delivered on Friday, 22 nd November in order to be transported to Ukraine in time for Christmas.																																																					
S1 – S6	MCR Christmas Trip to Aberdeen																																																					
	Mintlaw MCR mentored students are invited to a Christmas trip to Aberdeen on Thursday, December 19th. The day includes visits to the Art Gallery, viewing Nuart displays, a walk around Union Terrace Gardens, and a hot chocolate at the Christmas market. If interested, please go to F2 for a consent form.																																																					
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	<p>Thursday lunchtimes will now be inter-house tournament day in PE for pupils and staff. The below timetable has been created so pupils/staff can know in advance when the tournaments are. Points are given for participation in the tournament.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Date - Thursdays</th> <th>Sport</th> <th>Participant Group</th> <th>Sport Captains Organising</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>21st November</td> <td>Dodgeball</td> <td>S5-6</td> <td>Brucklay</td> </tr> <tr> <td>28th November</td> <td>Dodgeball</td> <td>S1-2</td> <td>Deer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5th December</td> <td>Dodgeball</td> <td>S3-4</td> <td>Brucklay</td> </tr> <tr> <td>12th December</td> <td>Dodgeball</td> <td>Staff</td> <td>Ugie</td> </tr> <tr> <td>30th January</td> <td>Netball</td> <td>S1-3</td> <td>Ugie</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6th February</td> <td>Netball</td> <td>S4-6</td> <td>Mormond</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20th February</td> <td>Touch Rugby</td> <td>S1-4</td> <td>Deer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>27th February</td> <td>Volleyball</td> <td>Staff</td> <td>Mormond</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6th March</td> <td>Football</td> <td>S1-2</td> <td>Deer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>13th March</td> <td>Football</td> <td>S3-4</td> <td>Brucklay</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20th March</td> <td>Football</td> <td>S5-6</td> <td>Brucklay</td> </tr> <tr> <td>27th March</td> <td>Boccia</td> <td>Staff</td> <td>Ugie</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Date - Thursdays	Sport	Participant Group	Sport Captains Organising	21 st November	Dodgeball	S5-6	Brucklay	28 th November	Dodgeball	S1-2	Deer	5 th December	Dodgeball	S3-4	Brucklay	12 th December	Dodgeball	Staff	Ugie	30 th January	Netball	S1-3	Ugie	6 th February	Netball	S4-6	Mormond	20 th February	Touch Rugby	S1-4	Deer	27 th February	Volleyball	Staff	Mormond	6 th March	Football	S1-2	Deer	13 th March	Football	S3-4	Brucklay	20 th March	Football	S5-6	Brucklay	27 th March	Boccia	Staff	Ugie	
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S1 – S6	Visiting School Nurse																																																					
	<p>A reminder of procedures for visiting the school nurse:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If you are unwell, injured or have had an accident that requires first aid then see first aider first before contacting your parent/carer. 2. first aider will be able to assess your illness/injury, support you and contact your parent/carer if necessary. 3. If during class time then you should collect a pink slip from your teacher before going to the nursing suite (if you don't have one of these then you will be asked to return to class). 4. first aider will complete your pink slip with a response for your class teacher to let them know that you have been seen or, if necessary, that you need to go home. 																																																					
S1 – S6	Reminder – First Floor Expectation																																																					

Due to an increasing number of students carrying food on the first floor, a reminder of the First Floor Expectations for all S1 to S6 pupils:

- At no time during the school day, is food or drink (except water) allowed on the first floor.
- Before Registration at 8.38am the first floor is closed to all S1-S3 pupils.
- At lunchtime, the first floor is closed to all pupils for the first twenty minutes.
- The only exceptions to these two rules about opening times are pupils with passes from Guidance and those taking part in clubs.

Whilst pupils are on the First Floor, they are expected to:

- Be respectful to all staff, learners and events taking place.
- Abide by MERIT expectations.
- Have no food or drink, except water.

If they do not, they will be expected to leave the First Floor.

S1 – S6 RAIS Points

RAIS Points

Week commencing 18/11/24

Points up to 15th November 2024

	RAIS Points	Praise Postcards Issued
Brucklay	46	1
Deer	41	8
Mormond	88	9
Ugie	52	2


Not wearing uniform merits logged last week - 18

Total Points to date for Term 2

	RAIS Points	Praise Postcards Issued
Brucklay	175	4
Deer	138	20
Mormond	268	22
Ugie	269	16

S1 – S6 Extra-Curricular Activities

Mintlaw Academy Extra Curricular Opportunities and active schools are listed on the bulletin notice board beside the careers office.

S1 – S6	Chess Tournament – Aberdeen Saturday 14th Dec	
	<p style="text-align: center;">NEJCA Steve Sawaryn and David Burke Memorial Individual Chess Event</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 14th December 2024</p> <p style="text-align: center;">https://congress.org.uk/congress/507/home</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Tournament Details</p> <p>Venue: Curl Aberdeen, Eday Walk, Aberdeen AB15 6LN</p> <p>Times:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Players are asked to arrive by 10:30. - Registration closes: 10:45 - First round start: 11:00 - End time: around 17:00 <p>Time Control: 25 min. (Novice), 20 min. + 5 sec. (All others)</p> <p>Categories: Participants should enter in one of the following five categories</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Primary minor (ungraded or below 300); Primary major (below 750); Primary premium (750 or above) - Secondary major (below 750); Secondary premium (750 or above) - NEJCA may merge categories depending on player numbers. <p>Entry fee: £7 (online) or £10 (on the day).</p>	
S4 – S6	Scottish Golf's Young Leaders' Programme	
	<p>Scottish Golf's Young Leaders' Programme has launched and they are looking for young people aged between 16-24 who are wanting to make a positive impact in golf and sport.</p> <p>All information can be found at https://mailchi.mp/scottishgolf.org/2024-communications-young-leaders-announcement-ed-la-24-october.</p>	
S4 – S6	Medical Students Health Careers Talk	
	<p>Our medical students, Aidan and Owen, will be in S6 from 13.40 on Tuesday 19th November to give a Q&A workshop to any S4-6 pupil who would be interested in learning about a career in health care. If you have added your name on the sign-up outside room S6, please make sure you attend. If anyone did not add their name in time, please still come along to the workshop. Feel free to take your lunch! House points will be awarded for participation.</p>	
S5 – S6	Burns Supper 2025	
	<p>The Burns Supper 2025 will be held at the Palace Hotel, Peterhead on Tuesday 11th February 2025. A ticket will cost £32. In order to reserve your ticket a deposit of £12 (exact amount, please) will need to be paid to the Science Department, between Monday 18th November and Friday</p>	

	22nd November during the morning interval only. The balance of £20 and meal choices will be required the first week after the Christmas Break.	
S5 – S6	Yearbook	
	For S5/6 and staff who put their name down for 2025 yearbook, could those who have yet to pay the £10 deposit give the money to Miss Wallace in S13. Please DO NOT leave it on the desk, you will receive a receipt as a record that you have paid. Money that is lost due to not being handed directly to someone working on the yearbook will not be our responsibility.	
S1 – S6	Lunch Menu	
	<p>Tuesday Soup: Chicken Noodle Chicken Tikka with Rice & Naan Salmon Fish Fingers & Wedges Veg Curry & Rice Pasta & Sauce Southern Fried Chicken Wrap Macaroni Pie Cheese Panini Cheese & Ham Panini</p> <p>Jelly A Delight Fruit Pots</p> <p>Wednesday Soup: Vegetable Roast Chicken & Mealie Spaghetti Bolognaise & Garlic Bread Quorn Bolognaise Pasta & Sauce Warm Chicken Tikka Baguette Cheese Panini Chicken Mayo Panini</p> <p>Jelly A Delight Fruit Pots</p> <p>Thursday Soup: Lentil Chicken Pie Pork Sauages with gravy or beans</p>	

Pasta & Cheese
Turkey Burger
Cheese Panini
BBQ Chicken Panini

Jelly
A Delight
Fruit Pots

Friday

Soup: Tattie & Leek
Southern Fried Goujons & Chips
Creamy Veg Tagliatelle
Pasta & Cheese
Cheese Pizza Bagel
Cheese Panini
Cheese & Tomato Pizza Panini

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