

MINTLAW ACADEMY PUPIL BULLETIN Wednesday 28th August 2024

Respect Aspiration Inclusion Success

Curricular		
S1	1M1 – Oracy Wednesday Period 5	G Armstrong
	1M1 should go to B4 instead of G1 for Oracy period 5 today.	
S1 – S3	Registration Assemblies – Social Area	SLT
	Wednesday, 28 th August S3 Thursday, 29 th August S2 Friday, 30 th August S1	
S5 - S6	Change of course	A Hynd
	If you are looking to change a course after your exam results, can I please ask that you make contact with your guidance teacher in the first instance, this will allow them to establish if the course change is viable in terms of the timetable but also to ensure that the change you are proposing is the best one for your career and learning pathways. Once it has been agreed with Guidance can I ask you to ensure you find an appropriate time to get the form signed off by subject PT's. S5 pupils - you will have the opportunity to speak to your guidance teacher in PSE.	
S3 – S6	Girls Growing Assets Competition	J Sheridan
	The technology faculty are looking for a team of S3 - S6 girls interested in banking/asset management sector. The aim of the competition will be to invest clients' money effectively in order to make a strong return on investment. You've got to research possible companies, pitch the investment idea and detail why you think this is a safe investment. The competition includes online masterclasses and runs up until March 2025. You will be matched with a competition coach from real investment companies. Juniors can be S3 - S4 and seniors will be S5 - S6. Teams can be 3-6 people and must be entered by September 6 th .	

S4 – S6	EMA Application	School Office
	Please be advised that the EMA Application Form for this session is now live so pupils can apply. The application form can be found here: https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/schools/school-info/assistance/ema/	
S1 - S6	Fusion App Food Collections	A Robertson
	App collections are as follows – S1 & S2 social Area S3, S4, S5 & S6 canteen hatch	
S1 - S6	Note from Home Economics	E Ritchie
	Can all Home Economics pupils please bring in a tub to take their cooking/baking home. Also, a gentle reminder that pupils must pick their food up at the end of the school day.	
S1 – S6	Reminder – First Floor Expectation	E McCluskey
	 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	PE – Reminders: MERIT expectations	
	Please could pupils be reminded:	

- A change of PE kit is required for PE lessons. If you forget, we have spare kit available. If you regularly forget, texts home will request support with organisation.
- PE kit should NOT be worn outside PE lessons. You are allocated time before a lesson to change into kit and time at the end to change out. (Reg/Crew: please issue demerits if any pupils attend in PE kit as they have time to change even if it is P1)
- Appropriate footwear should be worn on the astro at all times. No footwear is not acceptable. Please bring suitable footwear for PE lessons.
- No phones should be brought into practical lessons. These can be placed in the valuables tray (recommended) or left in bag in changing room (own risk).

Thank you in anticipation of your effort in meeting these basic MERIT expectations.

S1 – S6 RAIS Points K Pate

RAIS Points

Week commencing

Points up to 23rd August 2024

	RAIS Points	Praise Postcards Issued
Brucklay	59	2
Deer	44	
Mormond	25	1
Ugie	59	3

Wearing uniform merits logged last week - 451

Not wearing uniform merits logged last week - 28

Total Points to date for Term 1

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Extra-Curricular Activities

S1 – S6	Sailing & Windsurfing, Peterhead	CLD
	After school Sailing & Windsurfing in Peterhead with	

Aberdeenshire Sailing Trust

After school **sailing** for p4-1st years on **Mondays 4-6pm** (beginners and improvers).

https://webcollect.org.uk/ast/event/after-school-sailing-clubs

A **Skills** night for sailors working on the advanced modules on **Tuesdays 5-7pm:** https://webcollect.org.uk/ast/event/after-school-sailing-clubs

And a **Windsurfing** after school club for those aged 8+ (**Thursdays 4.30-6.30pm**)

https://webcollect.org.uk/ast/event/windsurfing-after-school-club



FREE Taster Sessions are available for the following age groups in Aberdeen this week and next: • Junior Youth Theatre – S1/2 students – Thursday - 6.30-8.30pm – Studio – His Majesty's Theatre • Intermediate Youth Theatre – S3/4 students – Wednesday – 6.30-8.30pm – Studio – His Majesty's Theatre

S1 - S6	 Senior Youth Theatre – S5/6 (or up to 18) – Tuesday – 6.30- 9.00 – Studio – His Majesty's Theatre If anyone would like to try out a session, then please let Ashley Mackie in F2 today. Choir If you love to sing or are keen to try something new, Choir meets on Fridays at lunchtime in G1. This is open to any year group with any level of singing experience, Choir provides multiple opportunities to perform to the public throughout the school year and is a great chance to make new friends and build your confidence. 	F Crichton
S1 - S3	Junior Girls Football	G Robertson
	Will any girl interested in playing for the Junior Girls Football Team please meet for training on Thursday. Please meet at 12:40pm in PE. If you cannot come to this session please see Mr Robertson in PE.	
S1 - S6	Netball Club	D Dunton
	Netball club will start on Monday after school 4 – 5pm. All abilities welcome.	
S1 – S6	StAnza Poetry Workshop Sessions – Afterschool Sessions	L Wappler
	The English Faculty are inviting all students with an interest in literature, specifically poetry, to attend a series of FREE workshops from a variety of Scottish poets (including Len Pennie of @misspunnypennie Tiktok fame!). For all those working with poetry on their folios this year, this is an amazing opportunity and there may even be snacks provided! Sessions run after school from 4-5.30pm Tuesday and Thursday (come to as many or as few as you'd prefer) so please ensure you are able to get home after. First session starting tonight with poet Tim Tim Cheng. If you are interested in any of the sessions below, please speak to Ms Wappler or Ms Baird. We will stream the workshops in F16.	



Scotland's Young Makars

FREE online poetry workshops for young people aged 11-18 in Scotland, led by a range of experienced poets and performers.

4pm-5:30pm

Tuesday 27th August - Tim Tim Cheng
Thursday 29th August - Len Pennie
Tuesday 3rd September - RJ Hunter
Thursday 5th September - Yomi Şode
Tuesday 10th September - Leyla Josephine
Thursday 12th September - Hollie McNish
Tuesday 17th September - Sean Wai Keung
Thursday 19th September - Titi Farukuoye

Sign up to attend these free workshops here (as a young person/teacher etc.);

https://form.jotform.com/241613348835055

S1 – S6 Extra-Curricular Clubs A Laird



Please note that new participants are welcome to come along- you do not need to have attended or played for the team last session to be able to go along. Some teams will hold new trials if they need to cut numbers for the area for a training squad. Some clubs will have space to take extra numbers. If you have any questions, please see a member of PE staff or the associated staff member.

S 2	U14 Boys Football	G Robertson
	If you are interested in playing for the U14 Boys football team, please come to the trials on Friday lunchtime.	
S1 - S6	Learning Ambassadors	G Armstrong
	Learning Ambassadors (S2-6) (From Monday onwards)	
	Would you like to learn the Pupil Learning Ambassador team? You would have the opportunity to help shape school life and put pupil views across about lots of different aspects of the school.	
	If you are interested, please come along to a drop-in session on Thursday 29th August at 12:40-13:10 in B10.	

	Wednesday Soup: Lentil Roast Chicken & Mealie Cheese & Tomato Pizza Pasta & Sauce Turkey Burger Pizza Cheese Panini BBQ Chicken Panini Jelly Angel Delight Fruit Pots Thursday Soup: Potato Soup Chicken Singapore Noodles Macaroni Cheese & Garlic Bread Pasta & Sauce/Cheese Turkey BBQ Ciabatta Melt Cheese Panini	
Cantee S1 - S6	en Lunch Menu	Canteen
Pupils	out of Class	
	Engage returns in B12 every Wednesday lunchtime. Come along with your lunch if you are interested in hearing more about the Christian faith, S1-S6 welcome.	
S1 - S6	Engage	F Halkett
	Are you interested in different crafts including sewing, cricut and more? Come along to craft club on Friday lunchtimes. It will start back up on Friday 30 th August in the new venue of B9. Open to all S1-3 and new members welcome.	
S1 – S3	Craft Club – Friday 30 th August	G Armstrong
	Learning Ambassadors (S1) (On Wednesday and Thursday) Were you involved in pupil council at primary? Did you have a leadership role and would like to keep continuing to help shape the life of the school. Come along to the learning ambassador drop in session on Thursday 29 th August at 12:140-13:10 in B10 to find out more about how you could get involved. Look forward to seeing you there.	
	Any questions before the drop-in session please speak to one of the	

A Delight Jelly Fruit Pots

Friday

Soup: Lentil Chicken Goujons & Chips Turkey Meatballs & Pasta Baked Potato / Beans or Cheese

Mini Meatballs & Pasta

Chicken Burger Cheese Toastie Cheese Panini

Cheese & Pepperoni Panini

A Delight Jelly Fruit Pots