



MINTLAW ACADEMY PUPIL BULLETIN

Thursday 31st October 2024

Respect Aspiration Inclusion Success

Curricular									
S1 – S3	Assemblies in Social Area								
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S1	Lunchtime Drop-In								
	<p>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!</p>								
S1	Science Stars – Spooky Slime Workshop								
	<p>The following pupils have been selected as our 'S1 Science Stars' and are invited to attend a spooky slime workshop with our S5/6 Wider Achievement Science Club. They should attend S6 on Friday 1st November P2 for a period of fun! Please see Mrs Urquhart (Science, S6) if you cannot attend.</p>								
S1 – S3	Interhouse uni-hoc								
	<p>There is interhouse uni-hoc for S1-3 on Thursday, please be at the games hall for 12:40. If you wish to take part, please speak to the sports captain for your house. PE kit must be worn or pupils will not be able to take part.</p>								
S4 – S6	EMA Application		School Office						
	<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>								
S5 – S6	SQA Results – Appeals								

	We have now received the results from the appeals process. If you submitted an appeal to the SQA please see SLT or speak to your teacher to find out the result. If you have been successful, SQA will reissue your certificate with the updated grade.																																																													
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	Can prefects who are able to help out at the S5/6 parents' evening on 13 th November please sign up on the board in my room, between F2 & F3.																																																													
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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>31st October</td> <td>Uni-hoc</td> <td>S1-3</td> <td>Mormond</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7th November</td> <td>Uni-hoc</td> <td>S4-6</td> <td>Mormond</td> </tr> <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	31 st October	Uni-hoc	S1-3	Mormond	7 th November	Uni-hoc	S4-6	Mormond	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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	A reminder that Rugby club will be up and running on a Thursday, at 12.40pm on the astro. New and old members welcome, no prior experience needed. We have some coaches from Ellon our PE student teacher leading the sessions this term.																																																													
S1 – S6	Recycling – We Need Your Help!																																																													
	Aberdeenshire Council have implemented new waste management regulations, you will be aware from your bins at home that you now have 3 types for waste management. We are seeing a consistent issue in classrooms where the small blue bin is being used for items that are not																																																													

	<p>just paper and card and I ask for your help to improve our recycling rate across the school.</p> <p>If you have empty bottles/cans can you please keep them in your bag until you pass one of our recycling stations and then pop in the relevant section. Classrooms only have two bins, a black one for rubbish that cannot be recycled and a blue bin for paper and card.</p> <p>If you have any tips on how we maintain an environmentally friendly school then please see me to share. I am in the office between F2 & F3.</p>	
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	
	<p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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. <p>Whilst pupils are on the First Floor, they are expected to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be respectful to all staff, learners and events taking place. - Abide by MERIT expectations. - Have no food or drink, except water. <p>If they do not, they will be expected to leave the First Floor.</p>	
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

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Week commencing 28/10/24

Points up to 11th October 2024

	RAIS Points	Praise Postcards Issued
Brucklay	99	24
Deer	99	13
Mormond	103	12
Ugie	63	12

Not wearing uniform merits logged last week - 25

Total Points to date for Term 1


	RAIS Points	Praise Postcards Issued
Brucklay	587	167
Deer	872	108
Mormond	810	88
Ugie	619	80

Extra-Curricular Activities

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 Badminton Club

	<p>The afterschool badminton club for S1-S6 will start back again this Thursday from 3pm-4pm. Please make sure you register before attending this club, you can do this by scanning the QR code and filling in your information. This is attached and can also be found on the posters in the PE corridor. If you need a paper form or for more information, please go to the Katherine Grainger suite beside PE. Thanks</p> 	
S2 – S4 Sports Leaders 'I CAN LEAD' Course		
	<p>Over the in-service days in November Active Schools will be running a Sport Leaders UK 'I CAN LEAD' course which is open for pupils from S2-4. The course provides an introduction to leadership that will give learners the knowledge and skills to assist in leading basic sports/activity sessions. The course is fun and practical with a focus on personal development and not just sporting ability. On completion of the course learners will gain an award that will be recognised on their CV. For more information, please go to the Katherine Grainger suite beside PE.</p>	
Pupils out of Class		
Canteen		
S1 – S6 Lunch Menu		
	<p>Thursday Soup: Yellow Pea Chicken Pie Salmon Fish Fingers Quorn Pie Pasta & Sauce Cheese Panini Chicken Tikka Panini</p> <p>A Delight Jelly Fruit Pots</p> <p>Friday Soup: Lentil Breaded Haddock & Chips Herby Tomato Pasta & Garlic Bread</p>	Canteen

	<p>Pasta & Sauce Chicken Goujons in a Wrap Cheese Panini Cheese Pizza Panini</p> <p>A Delight Jelly Fruit Pots</p>	
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