

Abercorn News



May 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome to the May edition of our newsletter, the summer holidays are nearly upon us and I cannot believe how fast this school year has been. As always this has been another extremely busy month for all of the pupils and staff in Abercorn as you will see from this newsletter.

Our annual Awards Ceremony will take place on Thursday, 21 June and we have enclosed a copy of your invitation with this newsletter – I hope that you can all join with us then to celebrate the success of our young people and of our school achievements this year. Please do not hesitate to contact the relevant staff member if you have any queries regarding the end of term activities etc.

We have been very lucky over the last few weeks to have had some lovely sunny weather. We are mindful of the need for our young people to have time out in the sun but not too much. We know the dangers and apply suncream as necessary. If you do not wish your son/daughter to be given the school cream can you please telephone the school. Thank you for your continued support.

Patrícia McGowan

June 2018 Dates for your Diary

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Friday 1 st June	Duke of Edinburgh Silver Expeditions return
Friday 1 st June	Kayaking, Pinkston Basin (selected pupils only)
Monday 4 th June – Wednesday 6 th June	London Trip departs
Monday 4 th June	S3 pupils to Tennents Training Academy – Pizza Masterclass
Monday 4 th June	The Trades House of Glasgow Prize Giving Ceremony
Wednesday 6 th June	Scottish Disability Sport Athletics Event at Grangemouth
Thursday 7 th June	Senior School Prom, Grand Central hotel
Saturday 9 ^h June	Residential trip to Spain leaves
Saturday 9 th June	Red Star Athletics (selected pupils & Mr Kerr)
Monday 11 th June	S1 Trip to Findlay Church
Tuesday 12 th June	Dragon's Den event (S2 pupils presenting to a panel of judges)
Tuesday 12 th June	LGBT Pride Lite event
Wednesday 13 th June	STEM Event, Riverside Museum (selected pupils)
Thursday 14 th June	Barge Trip (selected pupils)
Thursday 14 th June	BBQ S1-S3 pupils 6.30 pm until 8 pm
Friday 15 th June	Shinty team to play Hollybrook
Friday 15 th June	Jass Group to Theatre Royal
Saturday 16 th June s	Spanish trip returns
Monday 18 th June	EqualiTeas coffee morning
Monday 18 th June	ASL Mass in St Andrew's Cathedral at 7pm
Tuesday 19 th June – Wednesday 20 th June	Duke of Edinburgh Expedition (Bronze)
Thursday 21 st June	Summer Service and Awards Ceremony
Friday 22 nd June	World Cup Day (whole school competition)
Tuesday 26 th June	School Closes at 1pm

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Summer Barbeque

Abercorn Crazy
Entertainers are busy
organizing an end of
term barbecue for S1S3. They have chosen
to hold this event on
Thursday 14th June
between 6.30pm and 8
pm. The event will cost



£2 per pupil. All pupils must be dropped off and collected by a parent/carer.

Football News

The school football came second in this year's Regional Competition. They have worked hard and are now focusing on next season.



Senior School Spain Trip



The senior school Spanish trip is due to depart on Saturday 9th June until Saturday 16th. Any final money towards the cost of the trip should be paid

now to Miss Campbell. During the trip pupils will visit Camp Nou, Waterworld Aqua Park, La Sagrada Familia, and a visit to a famous tapas restaurant.

London Trip

Our residential trip to London departs on Monday, 4th June. They will be visiting Harry Potter Studios, Shrek's Adventure, Matilda (Cambridge Theatre) and the Rainforest Café as well as seeing the sights of London.

Senior School Prom

Our senior school pupils have now received an invitation to the annual Prom which will take place in the Grand Central Hotel on Thursday 7th June. The Prom Committee have been busy planning this event to ensure it is a great success. Tickets



to the prom are priced at £20, this includes a 2 course meal and still juice throughout the evening. Senior pupils can pay their money now to Mrs Reilly/Sadie. Fizzy juice is available from the hotel on the night for a cost if pupils wish to bring some spending money.

STEM in Abercorn

Mrs Bennett and Mrs Middleton have been very busy this month organizing a number of STEM activities/competitions for our young people. The recently won 1st Place in a Jacobs Engineering "STEM the Flow" Challenge and were 3rd in The Salters' Challenge. Well done everyone.



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Art & Design Department News

At the beginning of May we had Judges into the department to view the work of our senior pupils and for the first time pupils in the lower school. These pieces were being judged as part of The Trades House of Glasgow Schools Craft Competition. They were very impressed by the work they saw. We have had a letter inviting us to the Prize Giving on Monday, 4th June. Fingers crossed!!!

A number of S1 and S2 pupils are awaiting news on their entries to the McCoo and Aldi Bag for Life Design Challenge. Altogether we have 41 entries to these competitions – fingers crossed we will hear from them soon. Well done everyone!!!

Duke of Edinburgh Award – Silver Success



Eleven senior pupils completed their Duke of Edinburgh Silver Expeditions last week. One group of pupils were accompanied by Mr Scougall on their 3 day, 2 night camp in the Glen Tilt area. The second group were kayaking with Mrs Couper and Mr Kerr. These were very challenging expeditions for the pupils and we would like to congratulate them on their success – well done!!!

Shinty Club



For the next 6 weeks a new Shinty club has been organized for our young people to attend on a Thursday evening. The club will be held in

Peterson Park from 6.30 until 8.30 pm. Last week four of our students attended, some even managed to get a game for the Uddingston Grammer team. Well done everyone and keep up the great work!!!

Family Cooking Classes



We are now on to our second group of family cooking classes with our college chef Carol Salisbury. Parents and children are working together to prepare home cooked meals and the feedback so far has been extremely positive. Well done everyone.