

# Daily Pupil Briefing

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024



## Today at a glance...



### Events

- French Exams
- Study Leave starts 29.04.24



### After School Activities (3.20 – 4.20)

- Please see below Timetable



## New Announcements

1

### S1-S3 PSE - Rape Crisis/Consent

Starting on 2<sup>nd</sup> May, Kara McWhinnie will be working with Junior Phase pupils, delivering 2 sessions to each class/group as per the schedule below:

| Session | Date              | 8:55 - 9:45  | 9:45 - 10:35 | 11:20 - 12:10 | 12:10 - 1:00 |
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|         |                   | p1           | p2           | p3            | p4           |
| 1       | Thursday 2nd May  | 2.5 Music BR | 2.2 IDL JF   | 2.3 IDL AL    | S3 Group 1   |
| 1       | Tuesday 7th May   | 1.1 SCI KA   | 1.4 Tech BT  | 1.2 SCI VS    | 2.1 SCI KA   |
| 1       | Thursday 9th May  | 2.6 Tech SL  | 1.6 Tech SL  | 1.5 Tech SB   | 2.4 SCI KA   |
| 1       | Tuesday 14th May  | S3 Group 2   | S3 Group 3   | 1.3 AD RF     | S3 Group 4   |
| 2       | Thursday 16th May | 2.5 Music BR | 2.2 IDL JF   | 2.3 IDL AL    | S3 Group 1   |
| 2       | Tuesday 21st May  | 1.1 SCI KA   | 1.4 Tech BT  | 1.2 SCI VS    | 2.1 SCI KA   |

Additional Info

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Exp Date

02.05.24

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|  | Thursday 23rd<br>2 May | 2.6 Tech SL | 1.6 Tech SL | 1.5 Tech SB | 2.4 SCI KA |
|  | Tuesday 28th<br>2 May  | S3 Group 2  | S3 Group 3  | 1.3 AD RF   | S3 Group 4 |
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S3 Pupils have been split into 4 groups and all names and allocated times are displayed outside A16. Please check the list for your time.

All sessions will take place in A16.

**2**

**Access to Foyer during exams**

Pupils are reminded that during exam time, access to the Foyer during break and lunch is limited. If the tables & chairs are set out, you are allowed to use this area but if they are stacked away, there is an exam on and pupils should go elsewhere.

Ronnie

03.05.24

**3**

**Leavers Hoodies**

Payment for the S6 leavers' hoodies was due last week. Anyone who has not yet paid, please bring your money (£21.50) to the Office as soon as possible.

Office

30.4.24

**4**

**Calling all Actors and/or Dancers**

The School Show of Beauty and the Beast is well on its way, but we have a few small roles we would love to fill. Some of them are just speaking parts, some are just dancing and singing in a group parts, and some are a little of both. Come see Miss Faux if you're interested!

Narrators - looking for two Narrators - you will be able to have the script in front of you and will need to speak with a clear, loud voice

J Faux

03.05.24

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| <p>Villagers/ Servants (Chorus) - come do a little dancing and singing in a group to songs like "Belle", "Be Our Guest" and "Gaston"</p> <p>Baker - Has three lines and can join in as a villager in the background for minor dancing</p> <p>Bookseller - Has two lines and can join in as a villager in the background for minor dancing</p> <p>The School Show will be the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of June.</p>  |                       |                 |
| <p><b>5</b> <u><b>Shetland Pony Visit</b></u></p> <p>The Three Lochs Trekking Centre visited on Tuesday as part of their efforts to introduce children and young people to their mini Shetland Ponies and get involved in schools locally. Since it was their first visit, a small number of pupils were invited to meet them this time, as part of offering wider experiences.</p> <p>If you would like to visit them for a day out or for more info on other experiences they offer, please visit <a href="https://www.3lochs.co.uk/three-lochs-riding-stables">https://www.3lochs.co.uk/three-lochs-riding-stables</a> or follow on Facebook.</p> <p>Thank you to Jess and her team for making the trek to Douglas-Ewart High School and we hope to have them back soon to meet other pupils in the school.</p> | <p>Inclusion Base</p> | <p>29.04.24</p> |
| <p><b>6</b> <u><b>Dumfries and Galloway Regional Youth Choir – Summer Term 2024</b></u></p> <p>The Choir has been going now for nearly 20 years and is open to anyone from current S2 (rising S3) to S6 who enjoys singing. We know that a lot of people are not necessarily used to singing in Choirs these days and may have a very firm opinion that it is ‘not for them’. We try to change this view and had a great year of singing in 2023, including a memorable residential trip in the Peak District.</p>   |                       |                 |

The music that we sing covers a wide selection of musical styles, ranging from Musical Theatre, Pop, Classical and Jazz, as well as music from Scotland and further afield. You do not have to audition – everyone is welcome and it is absolutely free.

Rehearsals will take place in Minerva Hall, Dumfries Academy on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June (10am-4pm) and 16<sup>th</sup> June (10am-1pm) with the afternoon rehearsal that day (2pm-4.30pm) taking place at St John’s Church, Lovers’ Walk, Dumfries, where we then give a free Concert at 6pm.

Transport is provided within our limited means, with a mini bus leaving from both Annan Academy and Kirkcudbright Academy (via Castle Douglas). Please indicate on the form if you wish to make use of this. Please also note that transport is NOT provided after the Concert on 16<sup>th</sup> June.

We have an active twinning link with the Choir of the Humboldt Gymnasium, Germany and regularly have residential rehearsals and events in both the UK and abroad. We are due to go on the return leg of our current twinning project which will see the choir travel to Germany for a week of joint singing, concerts and visits between 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

We will be looking for expressions of interest for this during the rehearsals above and I will provide further details in due course.

I very much hope that you will wish to join us and would be grateful if you could complete and return the application form before **Tuesday 14th May** by completing the online form by scanning the QR code on the poster below. Please email or phone me if you require a paper copy, or the link to the form. Should you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Jamie Brand

**Dumfries & Galloway**

# REGIONAL YOUTH CHOIR



**SUMMER 2024**

**Rehearsal Days: Sundays 2nd & 16th June**  
**Minerva Hall, Dumfries Academy**

**Concert: St John's Church, Dumfries, 16th June**

Also learn about our  
**Tour to Germany 14th—21st December 2024**

Scan the QR Code to apply or contact  
 gw08brandjames@ea.dumgal.sch.uk





 **Repeat Notices**

**Additional Info**

**Exp Date**

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| <p><b>1</b></p> | <p><b><u>McLean Bursary from Penninghame St John's Church</u></b></p> <p>Funds bequeathed by a former Minister, the Rev. William McLean (1864-1879) to assist students of Arts or Divinity at any Scottish University from the Parish of Penninghame.</p> <p>2 x £150 bursaries are available to pupils applying to university to help with further studies i.e. buying books, IT equipment.</p> <p>Applicants must be going to a Scottish university and applications are welcome from a wide range of courses. The bequest states Arts or Divinity but in recent years the bursary has been awarded to students doing a range of courses; from Business Studies, Drama, Economics to Law.</p> <p>The deadline for applications is June 5th 2024.</p> <p>Please see Miss Welsh for an application form. Applications can be submitted by post or email.</p> | <p>A Welsh</p>  | <p>05.06.24</p> |
| <p><b>2</b></p> | <p><b><u>English and Media Masterclasses</u></b></p> <p><b>N5 English - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May</b><br/> Period 1 and 2 - RUAЕ with Mrs Lloyd and Mrs Service<br/> Period 3 and 4 - Critical Reading with Mrs Lloyd, Mrs Service and Mrs Nadalutti</p> <p><b>Higher English - Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May</b><br/> Period 1 and 2 - with Mr Davies and Miss Faux<br/> Period 3 and 4 - with Mr Davies and Miss Faux</p> <p><b>AH English - Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May</b></p>   | <p>G Davies</p> | <p>07.05.24</p> |

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| <p>Period 1 and 2 - with Mrs Nadalutti</p>  |                   |                 |
| <p><b>3</b> <u><b>Through Their Eyes Poetry Competition</b></u></p>  <p>It's open again! Due to a wish for more submission, the Through Their Eyes Poetry Competition is open once more. If you already submitted a poem, you can now submit more.</p> <p>Write a poem of any length from someone/ something's point of view. This is an opportunity to step into someone else's life and write a poem about what they imagine their thoughts, feelings and experiences are.</p> <p>You could be published and first place gets £50 and a trophy!<br/> Entries need be emailed/ handed in by May 22<sup>nd</sup> to Miss Faux.</p> | <p>J Faux</p>     |                 |
| <p><b>4</b> <u><b>Collection of projects</b></u></p> <p>Can any students that studied Design and Manufacture during last year (2022-23) please collect their projects before Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. After this, all projects will be disposed of.</p>   | <p>S Brumwell</p> | <p>03.05.24</p> |
| <p><b>5</b> <u><b>History Bursary</b></u></p>   | <p>L Harris</p>   | <p>03.05.24</p> |

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| <p>The Local History Trust have been in contact to advise that any pupil who has secured a place, to study History or a combined degree which includes History, at a University, can apply for a “very generous bursary”!!!</p> <p>This is open to students both from the DEHS and Stranraer Academy.</p> <p>Can any student who is interested in applying please contact Mrs Harris for more details or use the website: <a href="https://stranraerhistory.org.uk/">https://stranraerhistory.org.uk/</a></p>   |         |          |
| <p><b>6</b> <u><b>SRUC Barony Open Day</b></u></p> <p>Any pupil wishing to attend the SRUC Open Day, please see Miss Welsh or Kelly McCreadie.</p> <p>Pupils must be able to make their own way to the event as the school is unable to provide transport.</p>  <p>The poster is green with white and yellow text. It features the SRUC logo at the top right. The main text reads: 'JOIN US AT SRUC BARONY CAMPUS FOR A CAREERS FAIR AND OPEN DAY TUESDAY 30TH APRIL 2024 11AM - 2PM'. Below this, it says: 'Meet with lecturers to find out about course content and campus life at SRUC. Learn more about career opportunities from employers in the sector. This event is open for anyone interested in studying at SRUC.' At the bottom, it says 'BOOK YOUR SPACE TODAY' and provides the website 'www.sruc.ac.uk/opendays'.</p> | A Welsh | 30.04.24 |

The following After School Activities, Study Classes and Lunch Activities are available this term:

- Please note that unless indicated below, sessions run between 15:20 and 16:30.



|                | *Time              | Title   | Organiser                   | Location                    | Yr Groups   |
|----------------|--------------------|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| <b>Monday</b>  | <i>LUNCH</i>       | <b>Chess Club</b><br>All Welcome, no experience required. Please bring lunch. | Mr Smith                    | A23                         | S1-S6       |
|                | <i>LUNCH</i>       | <b>Christmas Singing Club</b>   | Mr Riddick                  | D1                          | All welcome |
|                | <i>LUNCH</i>       | <b>Table Tennis</b>   | Lewis (Active Schools)      | D-Hall                      | All Welcome |
|                | <i>3.20 – 4.30</i> | <b>Physics N5 &amp; Higher</b>  | Mr Baxter                   | C1                          | S4-S6       |
|                | <i>3.20-4.30</i>   | <b>N5 Biology</b>   | Miss Wilson                 | C5                          | S4 – S6     |
|                | <i>3.20 - 4.30</i> | <b>Warhammer Club</b>   | Mrs Rowley<br>A Hannah      | Back room of ASN Base       | All Welcome |
|                | <i>3.20 – 4.30</i> | <b>Maths</b>  | Mr Gilmour                  | A24                         | All Welcome |
|                | <i>3.20 – 4.30</i> | <b>Badminton</b>  | Lewis (Active Schools)      | Games Hall                  | S1-S6       |
|                | <i>3.20 – 4.30</i> | <b>National 5 PE</b>  | J Muir                      | PE Base                     | S4-S6       |
|                |                    |   |                             |                             |             |
| <b>Tuesday</b> | <i>LUNCH</i>       | <b>Sports Club</b>  | Mrs Graham                  | Bottom Field or Sports Hall | S1 - S2     |
|                | <i>LUNCH</i>       | <b>Book Club</b>  | Ms Nadalutti &<br>Miss Faux | A19                         | All Welcome |
|                | <i>3.20 – 4.30</i> | <b>Football (Boys &amp; Girls)</b><br>All Welcome                             | Mrs Graham<br>Mr Smith      | 3G (meet at the PE base)    | S1 – S6     |
|                | <i>3.20 – 4.30</i> | <b>Music (N5- AH) – by Appointment Only</b>                                   | Mr Riddick                  | D1                          | S4-S6       |

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|                  | <i>3.20 - 4.30</i> | <b>Chemistry</b>                      | Mrs Creel        | C8         | S3 – S6            |
|                  | <i>3.20 - 4.30</i> | <b>Volleyball</b>                     | PE Department    | Games Hall | S4 – S6            |
|                  | <i>3.30-4.30</i>   | <b>AH Maths</b>                       | Miss Welsh       | A27        | S6                 |
|                  | <i>3.20 – 4.30</i> | <b>Maths Apps (National 5)</b>        | Mrs Morton       | A25        | S4-S6              |
|                  |                    |                                       |                  |            |                    |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <i>LUNCH</i>       | <b>School Show Singing Rehearsals</b> | Mr Riddick       | D1         | School Show Pupils |
|                  | <i>LUNCH</i>       | <b>Robot Club</b>                     | Mr Baxter        | C1         | All Welcome        |
|                  | <i>3.30 – 4.30</i> | <b>Maths (All levels)</b>             | Mr Smith         | A23        | S1-S6              |
|                  | <i>3.20 – 4.30</i> | <b>Maths</b>                          | Mrs Rennie       | A28        | S4 – S6            |
|                  | <i>3.20 – 4.30</i> | <b>Biology</b>                        | Mrs McColm       | C3         | All Welcome        |
|                  | <i>3.20 - 4.30</i> | <b>STEM Club (Starts 15.11.23)</b>    | S6 Students      | C1         | All Welcome        |
|                  | <i>3.20 – 4.30</i> | <b>Design &amp; Manufacture</b>       | Miss Brumwell    | T5         | N5 & Higher        |
|                  | <i>3.20 – 4.30</i> | <b>School Show Acting Rehearsals</b>  | J Faux           | D Hall     | School Show Pupils |
|                  | <i>3.20 – 4.30</i> | <b>Higher PE</b>                      | K Hornell        | PE Base    | S5-S6              |
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| <b>Thursday</b>  | <i>LUNCH</i>       | <b>Coding Club</b>                    | Mr Smith         | A30        | S1 – S6            |
|                  | <i>LUNCH</i>       | <b>SEET Film Making Club</b>          | Miss Charpentier | A13        | S1-S3              |

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|  | <i>LUNCH</i>       | <b>School Show Backstage Meetings</b> | Miss Faux              | A17                   | School Show Pupils |
|  | <i>3.20 - 4.30</i> | <b>Maths</b>                          | Mr Gilmour             | A24                   | All welcome        |
|  | <i>3.20 - 4.30</i> | <b>Maths Apps (Higher)</b>            | Mrs Morton             | A25                   | S5-S6              |
|  | <i>3.20- 4.30</i>  | <b>Art</b>                            | Mrs Bradley            | B3                    | All Welcome        |
|  | <i>3.20 - 4.30</i> | <b>Warhammer Club</b>                 | Mrs Rowley<br>A Hannah | Back room of ASN Base | All Welcome        |