



# Currie Community High School

## Newsletter - October 2016

**'DON'T LIMIT YOUR CHALLENGES, CHALLENGE YOUR LIMITS'**

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### Head Teachers Message

Welcome to the first Newsletter of the 2016-2017 school session. As always, this mid-term newsletter is a celebration of the life and work of the school over the last 9 weeks.

Our senior students achieved outstanding results in the 2016 SQA diet of examinations. Currie CHS's results have been consistently above the City of Edinburgh average for many years and the school is one of the highest performing schools in the City. This year's results are the best the school has ever achieved with S4 results placing the school in second place for S4 results in the City. There are some particular individual achievements which led to the schools over-all success.

In S6: Andrew Sawkins, Dux for the 2015/16, achieved 3 'A' Advanced Highers: Damaris Tan, Proxime accessit dux for 2015/16, achieved 2 'A' Advanced Highers and 2 'A' Highers: Zoe Bates, Jamie Morton, Ronan Dance, Paige Morgan and John Wilhelm all achieved 3 'A' Advanced Highers.

50 of the S6 leavers have moved on to University places. The majority of these young people have moved into Science, Technology, Engineering and/or Maths related courses including one who has gone into Medicine and one into Veterinary Medicine. 54 of the S6 leavers have secured college places which include: pre apprenticeship courses in Construction; HND in Coaching and Developing Sport; HND in Makeup Artistry; HND in Acting and Performing; and NC in Furniture Crafts. 21 of the leavers have moved into employment or into another positive destination; these range from several Modern Apprenticeships to a football scholarship in the USA.

The opportunities available at CCHS allow all young people to acquire the highest academic qualifications as well as developing the key skills which will be required in our fast

changing world and which will prepare them for the jobs of tomorrow

Please note that our website has regular Tweets and information about school events. If you have not already signed up to the website please do this, as detailed in the Currie Community High School Website—Parental Communication letter (supplied in the brown envelope at the start of the new school year).

I wish you an enjoyable October holiday.

**Doreen MacKinnon**

### EASYFUNDRAISING

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be collecting free donations for **Currie Community High School**? There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, thetrainline and Sainsbury's - it doesn't cost you a penny extra!

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3...

1. Head to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/curriecommunityhs/> and join for free.
2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, that retailer will make a donation to your good cause for no extra cost whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and Currie Community High School will be really grateful for your donations.

**Thank you for your support.**



# Currie Community High School Newsletter

## Our Vision Statement:

### **'DON'T LIMIT YOUR CHALLENGES, CHALLENGE YOUR LIMITS'.**

The aims of the school and the key principles underpinning the school's ethos, its visions and values and, indeed, all aspects of the life and work of the school are:

- To create an environment within which all young people at Currie Community High School are challenged and supported to: attain qualifications at the highest level possible; to achieve their full potential through a range of opportunities for personal development; to develop skills for learning, life and work and become successful learners, confident individuals, effective contributors and responsible citizens; and move into positive and sustained destinations
- To promote equality and inclusion; celebrate diversity; and remove barriers to learning
- To promote Learning for Sustainability (outdoor learning, global citizenship, education for sustainable development) and Social Justice.
- To journey towards excellence for all and in all areas of the school's life and work including learning and teaching and the curriculum

#### **Our Values: Confidence**

- To perform to the best of your ability
- To seize every important opportunity
- To try something new
- To accept others and yourself
- To be enthusiastic and motivated to learn

#### **Unity**

- Supportive to others
- Unified commitment to improvement
- Appreciating achievements of all kinds

#### **Respect**

- Those around you
- Differences
- Yourself
- The Environment

#### **Responsible**

- For freedom of expression
- Being safe and making good choices
- Your own actions
- For participating in the life and work of our community

#### **Initiative**

- Mistakes are okay as long as you learn from them
- Achieve your own goals through developing skills for life, learning and work
- Show determination, resilience and ambition

#### **Equality**

- Accept all aspects of social and cultural life regardless of personal belief while developing your own beliefs and values
- Treat others as you would wish to be treated
- Show care towards those who may need help



### CCHS joins the Solar Cooperative

Edinburgh Community Solar Cooperative is a community funded scheme which raised approximately £1.4 million in order to put solar panels on around 25 schools, community and leisure centers. Residents around the Edinburgh area were contacted and asked for an investment in the scheme for a 5% return on their investment.



This scheme aims to save the council around about 1000 tons of carbon dioxide each year and furthermore, should generate enough green energy to gather a £1m community fund. If that all wasn't enough, the panels will also play a part in trying to reduce Edinburgh's carbon emissions by 42% before the year 2020.

Our school, Currie Community High School was lucky enough to be approached by the Cooperative group and asked if we would take part in the scheme. We were actually the final school to be fitted with the panels and after the smooth, seamless and surprisingly quiet installation, the school held an opening ceremony for all the investors and council members, hosted by members of the Cooperative group. After a couple of photos on the school roof and some speeches from those involved, a cake (which was beautifully designed to look like a house with solar panels) was cut by CCHS Head Students: David Kong and Jenna Wayth.

This event attracted a lot of media attention in the form of the Edinburgh Evening News along with an STV news cameraman after which footage was shown on the 6 o'clock news.



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## Adopt an Artist in the Art Department

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August Senior pupils welcomed a visiting art student from Glasgow school of Art into the art and design department! Hannah Nugent who is a former pupil from Currie Community high school.

She gave pupils the opportunity to discuss career paths in Art and Design and to investigate what life is like as an artist/student. Topics such as university life and the skills needed to be a successful in the art world were covered including: the importance of hard work, communication skills and creativity Hannah presented a range of exciting folio work including both Design and expressive experiences. Discussions also demonstrated how the skills developed in their Advanced Higher and Higher Art and Design courses will be applied in a career in art and design. Hannah demonstrated with visuals/examples how to make a successful portfolio application to Art and Design degree courses.

Pupils enjoyed a workshop demonstrating some new materials/techniques which they could use for their current courses and portfolios application.

Pamela Richardson and  
Hannah Deans (Art Dept)



Pupil reaction included:

‘She gave a lot of advice on different pathways and the difficulties that may arise.

‘It was great to see advanced higher work, diploma work, and work from both Grays school of art in Aberdeen and Glasgow school of art!’





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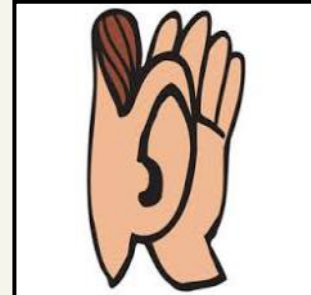
## Listening Ear

Our Listening Ear service is run by Easter Smart and Jim Dewar, ministers of the Church of Scotland churches in Currie and Juniper Green and chaplains to Currie Community High School. They offer students a confidential, informal, in-school counseling service which takes place every Thursday afternoon.

*“There are all kinds of things that might bother you, for which you might want someone to talk to. We can be a person to talk to who is not your teacher, nor your pals, but who is able and willing to listen in a concerned but slightly disconnected way. We are willing to listen to you talk through whatever it is that bothers you and to offer help and support as you deal with these issues. We might offer some advice which you can take or leave; all of this is completely confidential. There is nothing religious about this and we are not out to convert anyone to our view of life and the world. We meet in the room next to the Head Teacher’s room, off the corridor, so no-one sees you waiting for us; you have up to 30 minutes with us; one of us will be in school every week.*

*In our ministry elsewhere we come across people in all kinds of situations; we are offering that experience and a little expertise to the life of the school. “*

Jim Dewar & Easter Smart



If you are interested in discussing this further or want to request an initial appointment please contact your Pupil Support Leader.



## UPDATE.....

This term 30 of our senior pupils volunteered to take our anti-bullying policy forward within the school as Level 2 Peer Supporters. They have begun engaging in a number of projects to raise awareness across the school including presenting in assembly, speaking to pupils and running an S1 poster competition to promote the programme. In the weeks running up to Christmas the Peer Supporters will continue this work by planning and conducting a series of activities designed to explore students’ real experiences in the school. The team will then work towards identifying key issues which emerge from the data and subsequently explore strategies to support their younger peers in the school.

The winners of our S1 poster competition were:

- Jasmin Jaber 1L1    Jessica Notman 1H2
- Eilidh Weir 1H2    Holly MacDonald 1H2
- Rhiannon Welsh 1K2



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## Currie CHS leading the way to a tobacco free generation



Staff and pupils at Currie Community High School are proud to endorse  
**Scotland's Charter for a Tobacco Free Generation.**

At Currie CHS we go beyond simply enforcing a no smoking policy, we recognise the duty of the whole school to provide effective education on tobacco and health. Our teachers and other staff to act as positive role models for pupils, and ensure stop smoking support is available for students and staff who do smoke, including e-cigarettes and vapours. We will aim to make sure everyone gets the message loud and clear that Currie is a smoke-free zone and that smoking is not a healthy life choice.

### Currie CHS News.

By signing the Charter we will proudly strive to make Scotland a tobacco-free nation by 2034.

- 18% of our S3 students have been trained in educating their peers and the public in general about the dangers of smoking. They have learned how to have successful conversations with others which encourage them to give up or not start smoking.
- These students are planning to deliver Tobacco Education lessons to S1 students and are working towards creating a school policy to support the work they did with ASSIST and ensure CCHS is a Smoke Free School.
- Mr Watson's S3 Graphics class are in the process of designing smoke free promotional materials. The winning designs will be professionally printed and displayed around the school.
- Avril Browne our NHS Stop Smoking Facilitator will be offering support sessions in school starting from October.
- You are four times more likely to quit if you attend support and use a product if appropriate. If you want free confidential help and support, see your Pupil Support Leader or simply :

**Text: 'Stop smoking' to 07969 530 266**

**Email: [SmokeFreeYouth@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:SmokeFreeYouth@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk)**

A tobacco-free generation means that  
by 2034 smoking will be...

out of sight,



out of mind,



out of fashion.

**Our Personal and Social  
Education programme  
educates our young people  
on smoking and  
encourages them to make  
positive informed choices  
on tobacco.**

[www.ashscotland.org.uk/charter](http://www.ashscotland.org.uk/charter)



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### S5/6 University applications for 2017

#### Information for Parents



Our current S6 students and S5 students who have expressed an interest, have started their UCAS applications.

All students wishing to apply to university for next year have had talks from Edinburgh University and LEAPS (Lothians Equal Access Programme for Schools) during PSE classes. They have also been issued with a UCAS pack which includes step-by-step instructions for applying and support materials for writing their Personal Statements. They have also spent some time in PSE planning their Personal Statements with support from staff.

Although the UCAS submission date is in January, we have set our own CCHS deadlines which have been given to the students. We have given students a deadline of **7th December** to have their UCAS applications fully completed and sent to us (Pupil Support Leaders).

(Please note some students applying to the 15th Oct UCAS deadline have already had support and submitted their applications)

Other deadlines for you to be aware of:

- **23rd Sept** - All students should have created their online UCAS account & completed the Personal Details, Additional Info, Education and Employment sections.
- **28th Sept** - 1st draft of Personal Statement to Pupil Support Leader
- **26th Oct** - 2nd draft of Personal Statement to Pupil Support Leader (further drafts will be given individual deadlines thereafter)
- **23rd Nov** - All sections on UCAS account fully completed

**7th Dec** - All applications fully completed and sent electronically to Pupil Support Leader.

Please note students are welcome to hand in work ahead of these deadlines and submit their application to UCAS earlier than outlined above. Students will liaise with the own PSLs about this.

**Please make note of these dates and support your son/daughter to meet these deadlines set.**

### 2017 College Applications

Students wishing to apply to college for Aug 2017 will receive talks and support in January. College applications open in January and close in April. Students will be given 1 to 1 support with their applications if they require it.





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### **CCHS Christmas Fayre**

**Saturday 26th November 2016 1pm to 4pm**

***You are invited to the all new Christmas Fayre.***

Plans are underway by PiP (Parents in Partnership) to revamp the Christmas Fayre. The remit for stalls this year is for items to be handcrafted or new, offering Christmas gift ideas you can't find in the shops.

The Senior pupils are organising a 'Showcase' within the Fayre which will include music and dance.

There will be Tea, Coffee, and Hot chocolate on offer in the Dolphin Café as well as mince pies and cakes.

Last but not least, we hear a rumour that Father Christmas is making time in his busy schedule to visit the Fayre.....

### **CCHS Christmas Raffle**

This year we have many fabulous prizes to be won thanks to the generosity of local businesses –

**£100 CASH**

**Sainsburys Food Hamper**

**A Months Pass at Nuffield**

**£100 Photobox voucher (Nicki Gulland)**

**Prizes from McGills, Riccarton Inn, Currie Post Office,  
Al Borgo, Lilac Rooms, Margaret Best Opticians , Juniper Inn and  
Just Bike Repairs**

**TICKETS £1**

**CAN BE PURCHASED FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE, AT THE CHRISTMAS  
FAYRE & OTHER LOCATIONS DURING NOVEMBER  
WATCH OUT FOR THOSE VIA CCHS NEWS FROM SCHOOL WEBSITE**





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### Cool, Calm & Connected – Peer Education Programme

S5 students were given the exciting opportunity to train as Peer Educators for the Cool, Calm and Connected programme this term. The team completed a two day training course designed for young people of secondary school age as part of The City of Edinburgh Council's Growing Confidence Project, funded by the Big Lottery Fund. The course aims to bring young people together on a personal journey to explore what influences mental health and emotional well-being, and supports them in making relevant links to their own lives. It is hoped that they will ultimately use the information to make positive choices about how they manage their own mental health and emotional well-being, as well as how they influence that of other people's.

Our newly trained S5 Peer Educators will be delivering the programme to our S1 classes from Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> of September.



2016/17 Peer Educators (left to right): Riya Bodas, Beth Herbert, Abigail Odetayo, Alex Dalrymple, Lorna Robertson, Nasra Masoud, Rebecca Drever, Evie Jones, Emily Farrell, Morgan Taylor, Nina Galpin, Sophie McVinnie

#### **Some quotes from our Peer Educators**

*"It was a very informative and joyful experience which I enjoyed thoroughly. CCC has really helped deepen my understanding of mental well-being and has given me a memorable experience."*

*"I have learned a lot about the importance of mental health and the significant impact it has on our lives. I am now more aware of small changes that can be made in order to improve emotional wellbeing."*



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preparing young people for the  
world of work

Six S6 students completed a four-week paid internship over the summer holidays as part of the Career Ready programme. Career Ready is a UK wide charity linking employers with schools and colleges to open up the world of work to young people. It aims to give students the confidence, skills and networks to achieve their potential. Students are matched up with an industry mentor who works with them for two years. Students then undertake their internship at the mentor's place of work. This year our students worked at a variety of industries including RBS, the Scottish Government and Sopra Steria. One of the students, Gabriella Cooper, completed her internship at Lockheed Martin, and she found it extremely valuable, as shown below: "For my internship I got to have a four week work placement at Lockheed Martin, an advanced technology company based at The Gyle. I was there with two other Career Ready students from different schools and we were given a project to investigate how to improve the office communication between employees and other offices in Scotland. My main role in the team was to create a survey and analyse the results.

We then came up with suitable recommendations that we felt would improve communication, and presented these to the whole office. I also got the opportunity to work-shadow which gave me a one to one experience of the main job roles in the organisation. I really enjoyed my placement and feel I developed a lot of valuable skills, for example working in a team, managing myself and also how to communicate clearly with others. Overall I would highly recommend the Career Ready programme."

Six of the S5 students have recently been recruited onto the Career Ready programme, and this week have met their mentors at the launch event. This was held on Friday at the RBS Headquarters at Gogarburn. The students have been matched with mentors in a variety of businesses including RBS, Diageo, CGI, the NHS, Edinburgh City Council and The Scottish Parliament. The launch event was a big success and students and mentors are very much looking forward to working together. The students on the programme are: Adelaide Munro, Jordi Montgomery, Erika Palmer, Craig Haggart, Daniel Musiyiwa and Ali Hussain. Good luck to them all over the next two years.

Mrs Matthewson



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### Young Enterprise -

### The Beltane Candle Company

The Advanced Higher Business class along with a few other S6 students this year have been granted the opportunity to take part in Young Enterprise's Company Programme, which is run all over Scotland and the UK. This is the first year that Currie Community High School is taking part in this competitive programme against various schools throughout Scotland.

The premise of this programme is to start a business from scratch, handling all decisions on finance, market research, product design and manufacture, marketing and selling of the chosen product. As a collective Board of Directors we have decided to start a handmade candle business, named Beltane Candles, after the Scottish Fire Festival which takes place throughout Scotland, Ireland and the Isle of Man.

The S6 students taking part in this

[Ellie Alexander](#)  
[Gabriella Cooper](#)  
[Rebecca Cossar](#)  
[Abhi Jayanty](#)  
[Amina Kaddouri](#)  
[Megan Kerr](#)  
[Bethany MacKenzie](#)  
[Callum McQueen](#)  
[Annie Nicol](#)  
[Samantha Ovenstone](#)  
[Fin Rutherford](#)  
[Emma Stewart](#)

We have allocated different roles to each member of the group to cover the essential business functions, including Sales + Marketing, IT, Operations and Finance/ Legal.

At the start of September some members of the team attended a training session at St George's School for Girls. We were delivered talks from successful entrepreneurs including Niall Grant, CEO of WorkBase HR who gave valuable insights into running the business. We also got to look round stalls from a variety of businesses ranging from handmade entrepreneurial ideas to innovative global businesses.

Although we have only recently started out we have already made some big decisions including choice of product, product design, raising capital and sourcing suppliers. This week we plan to set up our business bank account and to start issuing share certificates to our investors. Next week, we will order our stock and then we will go into production of the candles. We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Marriot who has given us amazing training in how to make the candles, as well as to Mrs Matthewson for all her valuable business insights. We will be selling our candles at the PiP Christmas Fair, as well as the Young Enterprise-organised Christmas market in Tollcross. Please look out for us at the fair and come and get some beautiful handmade candles!



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### News from Chogoria, Kenya

Following up on the article in our last newsletter, we have sent donations to various organisations in Chogoria from the money raised by our S6 group who had planned to go to Chogoria in 2014. We have heard back from all the recipients and I have copied below some of their words of thanks to our school and community for our support.

Santis Ileri, the Headteacher of Chogoria Complex Primary School wrote ' I was very delighted to note that Currie Community has decided to support Chogoria Complex Primary School once more. Kindly pass our appreciation.. '. She told us that the decision on how to spend the £500 we sent was to be discussed with the staff and school board members. You can see some of the items they bought in the super photo below ! Pupils and staff are holding tea urns, cutlery, plates and cooking pots - essential items for preparing meals for the children at school. They have also ordered curtains which provide shade in classrooms, tablecloths and are undertaking some repairs.

We also sent a donation to Faraja Self Help group . Faraja is a Kiswahili word meaning relief or comfort ( removal of stress or discomfort) and one of the founders Millicent Garama wrote to thank us for our donation.



'Hello All, on behalf of the Faraja Self Help Board and the children, I sincerely thank you for your support to the children in our community. ... These funds will go a long way in supporting our organization meet its objectives in support to orphans and vulnerable children. We are so grateful and hope that any time you come to Chogoria you can visit our center so that you have an opportunity to interact with both the board and the children. Give the children in your school our greetings and appreciation.' You can find out more about the work of Faraja on their website [www.farajafamilycenter.org](http://www.farajafamilycenter.org), it is truly inspirational.

Finally we sent a donation to Chogoria High School to their hardship fund which is used to give small grants to assist some pupils at the school to continue their education. Mr Muriungi, the teacher with whom we work , wrote "Thank you very much for the kind gesture and may God bless you all". Our S6 pupils were also very keen to use some of the money they raised to upgrade the computer facilities at the school and we are still in discussion about the best way to do this.

Our partnership with Chogoria High School is warmly appreciated by so many friends in Chogoria, in the next newsletter I will bring news from some of the pupils we sponsor at the school

**Alison Nind**



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### Pupil Medication - Quick Overview for Parents

**Some parents may not be aware of our procedures around pupil medication at Currie Community High School so here is a quick overview for you.**

1. At the beginning of the school year (August) parents are required to provide any medication that a pupil needs during the school day. This should be high priority for pupils with chronic conditions such as asthma and allergies.
2. No medication of any kind can be administered by high school staff without a parental request for pupils under 16, or a pupil request for those aged 16 to 18. A request, whether for prescribed or non-prescribed medication, requires a form to be completed and signed. All forms can be sourced from the school nurse.
3. Prescribed medication must be supplied to the school by a parent and in the dispensing container with the original pharmacy label detailing the pupil's name, date of birth, etc.
4. Any change to prescribed medication whether size of dose or type means a new form must be completed by parent/carer and returned to the School Nurse as soon as possible.
5. Medication may need replenished. When this is the case the school nurse will contact parent/carer via letter to request more medication. Please provide this as soon as possible so that pupils do not miss having their medication administered.
6. Pupils who want to and are able to self-administer medication may do so only with parents'/carers' and the school's permission. A form must be completed and signed before self-administration is undertaken at school. Please be aware this includes paracetamol and ibuprofen.
7. At the end of each school year all medication must be collected from the school by the parents/carers. This includes epi-pens and inhalers. A letter will be sent home requesting parents/carers do this by the last day of term. No medication will be kept in school during the summer holidays therefore any medication not picked up will be handed into the local pharmacy for disposal.

**Looking forward we will be adding the necessary forms to the school website so that parents will have easy access as well as the above information. Please do not hesitate to contact the Pupil Support Assistant in the Welfare Room at the below email address or by telephone using the schools telephone number, if you have any questions or queries regarding the above.**

**Susan Tait - [susan.tait@currie.edin.sch.uk](mailto:susan.tait@currie.edin.sch.uk) 0131 449 2165**



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### Late Detentions

Late Detentions will be resuming after the October holiday with some slight amendments to our previous format.

- If students are late to registration or late to school 3 times in a week, they will be issued a 20min detention the following week.
- If they are late on 4 or 5 occasions, they will be issued a 40min detention the following week.
- If students fail to turn up for their detention without an explanation, they will be given an automatic hour long detention on the Friday after school with Mrs MacKinnon.

Detentions will take place on Wednesdays from 3.30-4.10pm in the Community Lounge. If you have any concerns with this for your child, please speak to your child's Pupil Support Leader.

Please continue to encourage your child to be in school by 8.30am; a lot of important information is shared during registration time by group tutors and within the daily bulletin.

Louise Paterson

### Infectious Illnesses

As you may be aware from media reports James Gillespie HS has encountered an outbreak of measles. Whilst these instances are quite unusual it is important we minimise the spread of infectious illnesses, like measles and the norovirus. We can proactively do 3 things to prevent spread of these types of illnesses.

- ◆ Be aware of symptoms (see below)
- ◆ Where you suspect a pupil has an illness that is infectious they are kept out of school for the appropriate duration.
- ◆ Please notify the school as soon as you are aware of infectious illness such as norovirus and measles as protocol dictates that we are required to report these to the NHS Lothian's Health Protection Team

You can find information on symptoms of Measles and Norovirus in the website addresses below, or contact your GP for advice.

<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/pages/introduction.aspx>

<http://www.nhs.uk/Conditions/Norovirus/Pages/Introduction.aspx>



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## Contact Us

**Phone:** 0131 449 2165

**Email:** admin@currie.edin.sch.uk

**Website:** www.curriehighschool.co.uk

**Please ensure you keep the school up to date with all your contact details –**

**Remember, effective school communication relies on this.**

## **Parents in Partnership**

As well as organising the Christmas Fayre, PIP has created a sub group to look at property maintenance throughout the school.

At the next **PIP meeting on 17th Jan 2017** we hope to have a guest speaker discussing Internet Safety.

Keep up to date with news through our Daily Bulletin which can be accessed on the website by clicking on “Information” then “Bulletin”.

## STAFFING

We have had a couple of changes this term. Firstly we wish good luck to **Claire Braisby** (Computing) who has moved to a CL position at Boroughmuir HS.

We also had to say a fond farewell to **Ken Laidlaw** (Maths) who has moved to a school closer to home. There is no doubt both teachers will be sorely missed.

And so we welcome two new teachers, **Sabina Park** (Computing) and **Amy Walker** (Maths), please join me in welcoming both to CCHS.

## **Leadership Team:**

### **Senior Leadership Team:**

Head Teacher - Doreen MacKinnon (Year Head S6)

Depute Head Teacher - Percy Farren (Tuesday-Thursday) (Year Head S2)

Depute Head Teacher - Alan McKinney (Year Head S3)

Depute Head Teacher - Lesley Muir (Year Head S1)

Depute Head Teacher (Acting) - Rob Greenaway (Year Head S5)

Business Manager - Phill Pache

### **Pupil Support Leaders:**

**Hermiston** - Duncan McBride

**Kinleith** - Hazel Moar

**Lennox** - Louise Paterson (Tues-Thurs)

- Kerry Ellis (Acting) (Mon & Fri)

### **Support for Learning Leader:**

Amanda Wilson

### **Curriculum Leaders:**

Lesley Muir - English, Media Studies and Literacy

Claire Mulvey - Expressive Arts

Rob Greenaway - Health and

Wellbeing

Kirsti Dower - Maths and Numeracy

Catherine Mackenzie - Modern

Languages

Ian Manderson—Science

David Toal - Social Subjects

John Schmidt - Technologies

### **School Chaplains:**

Jim Dewar, Minister, Juniper Green Parish Church

Easter Smart, Minister, Currie Kirk



## Currie Community High School Newsletter

### Dates for your diary

Thursday, 13 October 2016 School Music Concert 7.00 pm  
Friday, 14 October 2016 Term Ends  
Monday, 17–Friday, 21 October 2016 Mid-Term Holiday  
Monday, 24 October 2016 Staff Resume  
Tuesday, 25 October 2016 Pupils Resume  
Wednesday, 26 October 2016 S1 Settle-in Reports Issued  
Wednesday, 26 October 2016 S1 Group Tutors' Evening  
Monday, 31 October 2016 Currie PS Follow-up Meeting  
Tuesday, 8 November 2016 Nether Currie PS Follow-up Meeting  
Wednesday, 16 November 2016 Juniper Green PS Follow-up Meeting  
Monday, 28 November 2016 S3 Parents' Consultation 4.15–6.45 pm  
Saturday, 26 November 2016 PiP Christmas Fayre 1.00–4.00 pm  
Friday, 2 December 2016 S4 Full Reports issued  
Tuesday, 13 December 2016 S1 Parents' Consultation 4.15-6.45 pm  
Wednesday, 21 December 2016 S5/6 & S4 Pathway 2 Full Reports issued  
Thursday, 22 December 2016 Term Ends  
Friday, 23 December–Friday, 6 January 2017 Xmas and New Year Holiday  
Monday, 9 January 2017 Staff Resume  
Tuesday, 10 January 2017 Pupils Resume  
Tuesday, 10 January 2017 S4 & S5 Parents' Information Evening  
Wednesday, 11 January 2017 Nat 5 Prelims start (no prelim leave)  
Tuesday, 17 January 2017 PiP Meeting 7.30 pm  
Friday, 20 January 2017 S6 & Team Photographs  
Tuesday, 24 January 2017 Nat 5 Prelims end  
Wednesday, 25 January 2017 S2 CfE Parents' Information Evening  
Thursday, 26 January 2017 H & AdvH Prelims start  
Tuesday, 31 January 2017 HPV Immunisations  
Friday, 3 February 2017 S3 Full Reports issued  
Monday, 6 February 2017 H & AdvH Prelims end  
Wednesday, 8 February 2017 S2 Parents' Consultations 4.15-6.45 pm  
Friday, 10 February 2017 Term Ends  
Monday, 13–Friday, 17 February 2017 Mid-Term Holiday  
Monday, 20 February 2017 All Resume  
Wednesday, 22 February 2017 S4 Parents' Consultation 4.15-6.45 pm  
Thursday, 9 March 2017 S5/6 & S4 Pathway 2 Parents'  
Consultation 4.15-6.45 pm  
Tuesday, 14 March 2017 Teenage Booster & Meningitis Immunisation  
Wednesday, 15 March 2017 P7 Humanitarian/STEM Activity (CCHS)  
Friday, 31 March 2017 Term Ends  
Monday, 3 April 2017–Monday, 17 April 2017 Easter Holiday  
Tuesday, 18 April 2017 All Resume  
Monday, 1 May 2017 May Day Holiday–School Closed  
Tuesday, 2 May 2017 All Resume  
Thursday, 4 May 2017 In Service Day School Closed for Pupils  
Friday, 5 May 2017 All Resume  
Friday, 19 May 2017 S3 Full Reports issued  
Monday, 22 May 2017 Victoria Day Holiday–School Closed  
Tuesday, 23 May 2017 All Resume  
Thursday, 1 June 2017 PiP Meeting 7.30 pm  
Wednesday, 28 June 2017 School closes at 2.35 pm