



# ICHS Newsletter

## WC 21/10/24

### Dance taster session - NU MOVES

Interested in dance? Come along and try out different styles, taught by dance teachers from NU MOVES dance school!

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### West Lothian Swimming Trials

The West Lothian Schools Swimming Trials are on Sunday 10th November at St Margarets Academy. If you are interested in entering, please come & see Miss Livingstone in PE. Closing date for entries is Friday 1st November.

### Cross Country Event

Well Done to everyone who competed in the recent WL schools cross country event! We had 37 pupils complete their race and represent Inveralmond CHS. A special mention goes to Calum Bryden, who won the S3 boy's race. This is a fantastic achievement, congratulations!



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### New October History Quiz

Hi, here is the latest History quiz. Please enter to have a chance of winning jigsaws, books, DVDs and just restocked stationery. To see if you have won previously please check Teams or your email, make sure to come claim your prize from Mr O'Callaghan! Quiz runs until 5pm October 31st. Thanks and good luck!

<https://forms.office.com/e/FRCWarL7yE>

### Dance Club

Dance Club for S1 to S3 is starting this week. This will be on a Thursday after school between 15:30 and 16:20 in the dance studio. If you are interested, please speak to Miss Moffat.

### S1 Break Times

S1 are to remain in school during break and lunch time. They are advised they should only be at the Astroturf park during lunch if attending the S1 Football Club.

### Football Pitches - Lunch/Litter

Please be reminded that all food should be consumed in the dining hall. No lunches should be taken to the pitches and pupils should have their lunch before going there. If there is a build-up of litter then there will be no access to pitches at lunchtime.



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## Who Cares? Christmas Card Competition 2024

We're looking for a new design for our 2024 Christmas card! The winning designer will receive a £25 voucher of their choice, plus your design will be printed and sent to over 3,000 Care Experienced people next year.

Your designs should be A5 sized (half an A4 sheet of paper), they can be either portrait or landscape. Remember to include your name, age and contact number on the back of your design! Entries should be passed to Mrs Drummond in the ASN Department by Friday 25th October.



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### Alternative Assessment Arrangements

Some learners may need support when accessing an assessment or exam. Class teachers are asked to monitor the specific needs of the learners who may need assessment arrangements for each subjects and level. This is because each learner is different - even if a learner has the same additional support need or difficulty as their peer, they may not need the same type of support. We operate a "learner centered" approach. Please see the ICHS Initial AAR letter on the following webpage and if you have any questions, please contact the House Leader initially for your young person.

<https://inveralmondchs.westlothian.org.uk/article/20773/Parent-Information>

### EMA 2024/25

Education Maintenance Allowance school applications for the 2024/25 academic year are now open. **Please note that a fresh application must be submitted each academic year. To apply you'll need to complete both the application form and a learning agreement.** All information can be accessed here: <https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/ema>

### Lockers

Anyone who would like to purchase a locker should see Mr Murphy. The lockers are £5 per year or £15 for four years. Any student that currently has a locker they no longer require should return their key, and anyone who wishes to renew their expired locker should arrange payment asap.



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### Upcoming Events

22/10/24 - S2 Parents' evening (online)

29/10/24 - S1 & S6 School photographs

29/10/24 - Parent Council meeting

01/11/24 - S1 Tracking Reports Issued

### School Clubs and Activities



Monday: 13:15 to 13:45 S1 Football Club at the Astroturf Pitch

Monday: 13:20 to 13:50 Vocal Group with Miss Holroyd in the music department

Tuesday: 13:15 to 13:45 S1 Football Club at the Astroturf Pitch

Tuesday: 13:15 to 13:45 The Simpson's Club with Mr O'Callaghan in room F73

Wednesday: 13:15 to 13:45 Juggling Club with Miss Curtis in Home Economics

Wednesday: 13:15 to 13:45 Karaoke Club with Mrs Dunlop in room F83

Wednesday: 13:15 to 13:45 S1 Football Club at the Astroturf Pitch

Wednesday: 13:15 to 13:45 STEM Club with Mrs Lee in room G216

Thursday: 13:15 to 13:45 S1 Football Club at the Astroturf Pitch

Thursday: 13:25 to 13:50 Just Dance Club with Mrs Scott in room G132

Thursday: 15:30 to 16:20 Basket Ball Club with Mr Dewar in the Games Hall

Thursday: 15:30 to 16:20 S1 to S3 Dance Club with Miss Moffat in the Dance Studio



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### School Contact

Our school is a very busy environment, and we aim to respond to queries as quickly as we can. In order to do this, staff will prioritise urgent issues. Where possible, please avoid turning up at the school without a prior appointment. Instead, please contact us beforehand so a mutually convenient time can be arranged to meet.

We aim to respond to phone and email queries within 2-3 days. When you contact by phone or email, please be ready to provide:

- Your full name and relationship to the pupil
- The pupil's full name
- The pupil's tutor class or house
- Details of what the query is.

If all of this information is provided in your email or in the initial phone call, it enables staff to direct your query to the right person and allows staff to prioritise urgent issues.

01506 280700

Option 1 - To report an absence or speak to the attendance team

Option 2 - For all other enquiries

Thankyou.



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# New Inveralmond Youth Club

**P3 - P7 1pm - 3pm**  
**P6 - S2 3.30pm - 5.30pm**

Only £1  
per week!

Friday 20th  
September for a  
registration session  
only

**Fridays**  
**1 - 3pm**  
**3.30 - 5.30pm**  
**in Inveralmond**  
**Community High School**  
**(Access via Main**  
**Reception)**  
**EH54 6HW**



Our youth clubs, drop-ins and projects are safe spaces that you can come along to if you want to mix with friends, try new activities, engage with experienced youth workers and most importantly be yourself.

For more information on this group contact Mark Drysdale by emailing [mark.drysdalewestlothian.gov.uk](mailto:mark.drysdalewestlothian.gov.uk) or contact our social media pages.

 West Lothian CLD Youth Services

 @CLDyouthWL  @youthworkwl



# PLEASE BE AWARE

**we are attempting to  
maintain a nut free environment  
in this establishment.**

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*We are aware that we cannot guarantee a  
nut free environment, but we ask that you are  
aware and try to support us in reducing the risk  
for our school community.*





**NO SMOKING  
E-CIGARETTES  
OR VAPING  
ON SCHOOL GROUNDS**



# Sextortion is blackmail.

Don't panic. Don't pay.  
Report it to police.

Criminals target you through dating apps, social media, text or email and manipulate you into sharing sexual content that they later use to demand money or more images under threats of public exposure.



More information about sextortion and what to do if you're a victim can be found here: [scotland.police.uk/advice-and-information/internet-safety/sextortion](https://scotland.police.uk/advice-and-information/internet-safety/sextortion)

