

#### Dance taster session - NU MOVES

Interested in dance? Come along and try out different styles, taught by dance teachers from NU MOVES dance school! Tuesday 5th November - Lunch time (1.15pm) in the Dance studio, for all years. If you enjoy yourself and would like to do more dance, speak with the dance teachers from 'NU MOVES' at the session.

#### **Apprenticeship Alert**

BHC Ltd are based in Carnwath, South Lanarkshire and are excited to announce their winter apprenticeship intake and they invite students to apply for valuable hands-on experience in one of the following fields: Welding, Fabricating, CNC, Paintshop, Maintenance.

Students can simply apply by scanning the QR code on the poster later in the newsletter before the 31st of January 2025. This is a great opportunity for students considering apprenticeships this winter.

#### S3 Trip to National Gallery of Modern Art

Artist led workshop for S3 at National Gallery in Edinburgh on 20th November.

Any S3s who wish to attend the free, artist led workshops in Edinburgh should collect a form from Mrs Neave on Thursday 7th or Friday 8th November. This will take place during normal school hours and is completely free of charge - just bring a packed lunch! Places are limited though so forms need to come back to Mrs Neave asap!!









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#### Talk Money Week 2024

Talk Money Week is an annual campaign to get the nation talking about money. This year, the week takes place from 4th to 8th November and the theme is 'Do One Thing'.

https://sway.cloud.microsoft/6COCmk1o0mCzeGtT?ref=Link

#### November History Quiz

Thanks to everyone who took part in the October quiz, the winning names have been posted on Teams or sent an email. please find below the new November History Quiz. The quiz will run until Friday 29th of November at 5pm. If you've not entered before the prizes include books, DVDs/Blu-rays, jigsaws, stationery and other random bits and pieces so why not give it a go?

This month every entry wins a prize so what have you got to lose? If you have any questions please see Mr O'Callaghan in F73. A reminder to those that have prizes outstanding for other quizzes, make sure to come and collect! Good luck (not that you need it!).

https://forms.office.com/e/RyTCDYjfAL











#### Plan Your Future at Our Careers Fayre

Our Careers Fayre is the place to be on Wednesday, 13th November, from 4:00pm to 7:00pm in the Lunch Hall.

Here are some of the organisations who will be in attendance:

Police Scotland, Stirling University, Napier University, University of Highlands and Islands, Glasgow Caledonian University, University of Edinburgh, University of Strathclyde, University of Glasgow, SDS, Click Netherfield, British Army, Royal Navy, Leonardo, Cyberhawk, Competence Matters, Apprenticeships Stall, Property Connections, Little Flyers Early Learning and Childcare, Morrison Construction, Witherbys, Babcock International, Iqvia, Nikon, Ilumina, Brodies, The North Face, My World of Work, British Gas, Land Technology, Virgin, Everwarm.

S2-S5 Students: Get guidance on subject choices! Register now: https://tinyurl.com/3wu4ur8s







#### 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.

#### 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: <u>https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/ema</u>







#### **Upcoming Events**

- 06/11/24 S4 to S6 Reports Issued
- 07/11/24 S1 CAT Tests
- 07/11/24 S4 to S6 Online Parents Evening
- 13/11/24 Careers Fayre & Pathways evening
- 15/11/24 MUN Club North Berwick visit

#### 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 S1 Football Club at the Astroturf Pitch Wednesday: 13:15 to 13:45 S1 Football Club at the Astroturf Pitch Thursday: 13:15 to 13:45 S1 Football Club at the Astroturf Pitch Thursday: 13:25 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



#### OUR VALUES





#### 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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- Giving fireworks (except F1 fireworks like sparklers) to anyone under 18
- Using fireworks in any public place, including public parks and beaches
- Setting off fireworks in a private place that go into a public place
  - Using fireworks outside permitted times

Fireworks can only be used between 6pm and 11pm except for Bonfire Night when the cut off is midnight and New Year's Eve, the night of Chinese New Year, and Diwali, when the cut off is 1am

For more information on the laws on Fireworks in Scotland scan here:



## 0800 555 111 or online at crimestoppers-uk.org/giveinfo

IP addresses are never traced. No-one will know you contacted us.



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#### WE ARE RECRUITING FOR OUR GIRLS TEAM

WEDNESDAYS 6.30 - 7.30 INVERALMOND COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

> Come along and give it a try All abilities welcome U12- U18

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### ICHS Career Fayre & Learner Pathways Invitation

We will be holding our Careers Fayre on the 13th of November between 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm. The Careers Fayre is open to families of all year groups.

During the evening, there will be an opportunity to speak with some of our teaching staff, employers from local and national businesses, and representatives from colleges and universities.

If your child is in S2 - S5 and will be making course choices for the next school year, we would love to see you at our Careers Fayre, as there will also be Learner Pathway presentations during the evening.

### Register to attend this event by using the QR code.



Mr Hamish Shankland Headteacher

Learner Pathway presentation times:

- S2 into S3 4:30 pm 5:00 pm
- S3 into S4 5:30 pm 6:00 pm
- S5 into S6 6:30 pm 7:00 pm

Please come and join us







Wednesday 13th November 2024

Time:

4pm - 7pm



WORKING <u>Together</u> to inspire learners and shape <u>successful futures</u>.

### **Careers** Fayre







#### **Carers Rights Day 2024**

Do you provide care or support for a relative/friend/neighbour?

Learn more about what support is available in your community for you and your cared for person(s)



#### Thursday 21st November 2024 Livingston Football Stadium (Almondvale Suite) Drop In between 1pm – 3pm



#### Information and advice available on:

what your rights are as an unpaid carer
social care support for you and your cared for person
assistance into power of attorney

benefits and money
working carers rights
social and community groups

#### And Much More...

#### We look forward to seeing you on the day

Health & Social Care Partnership westlothianhscp.org.uk





### WINTER APPRENTICE APPLICATIONS

BHC are recruiting for our next intake of Apprentices to join our 4-year apprenticeship programme devised by the British Constructional Steelwork Association (BCSA).

We offer apprenticeships in:





BHC Ltd, Medwyn Park, Edinburgh Road, Carnwath, ML11 8HS





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 or contact our social media pages.

🔁 West Lothian CLD Youth Services

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The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) is an important, legally binding agreement signed by 196 countries (as of 12 July 2022) which outlines the fundamental rights of every child, regardless of their race, religion or abilities.

The Convention has 54 articles that **cover all aspects of a child's life** and set out the civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights. The convention is universal—these rights apply to every child and the convention entitles every child to claim them. As a school we consider the articles in our values and everything we do.

Each week we will look at a different article and how it impacts you.

If you have any <u>questions</u> please see <u>Mrs</u> Steel

#### INTRODUCING ARTICLE 12

#### Article 12 – respect for the views of the child

Every child has the right to **express their views, feelings and wishes** in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously. This right <u>applies at all times</u>, for example during immigration proceedings, housing decisions or the child's day-to-day home life.



#### REFLECTION

#### Give yourself some time and try to find a space where you can be quiet and think...

- How does it feel when you know you are being listened to and your views are respected?
- When has your voice and your views made a difference?
- If adults are not creating a space for your views to be heard, how can you respectfully claim this right? Who could help you?
- Are there more things you could speak up about in your own life or in the wider world? How might you do this - on your own or with friends?
- Our Pupil parliament gives us all a voice so if you are interested in joining <u>still</u> please let us know or feed issues your rep so they can raise them at parliament.



### **PLEASE BE AWARE**

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

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

