



Liberton
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Family Fortnightly Update

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S2 Outward Bound Trip

Some of our S2 year pupils took up the opportunity to go on our Residential trip to the Lake District this week. It looks like they had an amazing time!

Well done everyone, and huge thanks to Mrs Nicoll, Mr Galbraith and Mr Peat for accompanying the pupils all week.



Congratulations S5 and S6



Huge congratulations to our Senior Phase pupils who undertook qualifications last session. We are very proud of the achievements of our pupils, and of all of the hard work that they put in in order to achieve success.

Highlights:

82 pupils (42%) from our new S5 gained 5 or more awards at level 5 (including National 5) qualifications (including 24 pupils gaining 7 qualifications at level 5, and a **further 16** pupils gaining 6 qualifications at level 5).

7 pupils from our new S6 gained 5 grade A passes at Higher level (level 6), and a **further 13** pupils also gaining 5 Higher awards, with a range of grades. In addition, a **further 9** pupils gained 4 Higher passes, and a number of pupils gained combinations of Highers, National Progression Awards, and National 5 awards.

Well done!

Uniform



We launched our new school uniform at the start of term, after a large consultation last year with pupils, families and staff. They voted for a greater choice of comfortable clothing, and for the introduction of LHS branded hoodies to build our sense of being part of one community and team.

Pupils have a wide range of options (see the next two slides), and every pupil is gifted one free LHS hoodie. Families can buy further branded hoodies from www.border-embroideries.co.uk to enable their child to wear one when another is in the wash. Equally, **any plain black jumper, cardigan, sweatshirt or hoodie with no logo or branding** is also part of our uniform as the long-sleeved layer. The inner layer (short-sleeved layer) should be **plain black or plain white** (no logos or branding).

Pupils who have PE on their timetable on any given day require to get changed into black/white uniform in line with the following slides prior to leaving the PE department to go for break, lunch, or other classes, if they have been wearing other colours during PE. The only exception to this is if a class has PE during the final period of the day and the pupils are leaving school straight after PE at the end of the day

Huge thanks for your help with this – we really appreciate all that families do to help their child(ren) to come to school in uniform. We will continue to be in touch with the families of any child(ren) who are not wearing uniform, to offer help and support including offering new clothing free of charge, and working alongside them to help their child find items from the uniform list that they feel comfortable in.



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Top Half – Outer Layer

Either

- Plain black (no logos) jumper, hoodie, zipper, sweatshirt, cardigan (*from any shop*)

Or

- Black LHS logo sweatshirt, hoodie, zipper (*from our designated supplier* www.border-embroideries.co.uk)

Top Half - Inner layer

Either

- White shirt and LHS school tie

Or

- Plain black or white T-shirt or Polo Shirt (no logos)

Cropped tops which do not fully cover a pupil's midriff, and skintight vest tops with thin straps, are not appropriate and will not be permitted

Bottom Half

- Plain black leggings (not seethrough)
- Plain black skirt
- Plain black trousers
- Plain black joggers
- Plain black shorts (no hotpants)
- Plain black jeans (not ripped)

These items should have no logos

Footwear

- Comfortable trainers or shoes with a closed toe (no flip flops or sandals)
- We do not specify the colour of footwear and do not wish families to feel they have to purchase separate footwear of a specific colour especially for school.



Positive Relationships and Behaviours

The next few slides are designed to share our approach to positive relationships and behaviours, linked to our three school values of Ready, Respectful and Responsible.

They show our expectations, and actions that occur when a young person acts in a way that does not reflect our values. They also show the ways in which we praise and reward pupils who live our values through their actions.

Our expectations for positive behaviours and relationships:

- Linked to our values
- Displayed in every classroom
- Referred to regularly by teachers
- Are referred to in assemblies every month



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TOGETHER WE ARE READY • RESPECTFUL • RESPONSIBLE



READY TO LEARN

- I attend all timetabled classes on time
- I bring my school iPad and charger with me to school every day
- My mobile phone is silent and out of sight at all times during class and my ears are free from headphones/earpods (unless my teacher has asked me to get my phone out to use it for learning)



RESPECTFUL

- I use appropriate language at all times at school
- I treat everyone with respect (I am not rude or verbally abusive towards other pupils or adults)
- I respect the rights and views of others



RESPONSIBLE

- I speak to an adult if I feel I am treated unfairly
- I take responsibility for my actions, and when things go wrong I am prepared to try to make them better

Not meeting the Respectful expectation

(by being rude or verbally abusive):



1) Warning

2) Discussion with teacher outside room

3) Move to designated Alternative Learning Space

4) Duty Head Call

*(if pupil refuses to move to designated
Alternative Learning Space for class teacher)*



Ready - Not meeting expectations with MOBILE PHONES....



1) Whole class warning

(first person to have phone out in class)

2) Phone to teacher's desk until end of lesson

(if anyone has phone out after class warning)

3) Duty Head call and pupil re-located to an Alternative Learning Space (*another class*)

(if pupil refuses to put phone on teacher's desk)

4) Depute Headteacher speaking with pupil and with parent or carer

Celebrating Success

Praise postcards issued by faculties across the school to pupils

S1-S3 pupil of the month (Amazon Voucher and Certificate)

S4-S6 pupil of the month (Amazon Voucher and Certificate)

Class of the month (Tub of treats and Certificate)

Announced at monthly assemblies....

Nominations by adults from across the school for pupils who are role models to others by displaying one or more of our values.



House Points



- Tokens (enacting our values, going above and beyond, individual achievements)
- Monthly Interhouse Events (will be advertised in House Class time and at assemblies – organised by Senior Pupil Leadership Team)



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Celebrating Achievement at Liberton High School

We want to hear from you! You can [CLICK HERE](#) to tell us about any wider achievements your child has been involved in recently, including sporting achievements, achievements in music, dance and drama, or any other particular activities that your child is achieving in outside of school.

We have been enjoying issuing praise postcards and house points to lots of pupils for a range of achievements. Keep up the brilliant work!

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School App and X Feed

- News about upcoming events and opportunities, and about pupil successes and achievements, are shared on our school 'X' feed. Why not follow us at @LibertonHS to keep up to date!





LHS - School App (Free)

All of our parent updates, and various other news, are also added to our School App – please see below for how to download the free App to your device....

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Please download **School App for Parents** that lets you see news, dates and receive important messages.



Scan the QR Code or search for **School App for Parents** in the Google Play or Apple App Store. When you have downloaded the app please search for our school name to see our dates, news and receive messages.



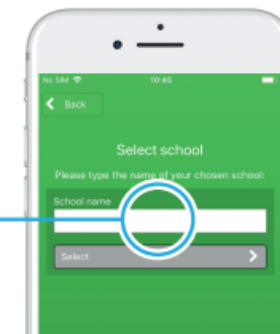
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Type the name of the school you would like to add



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LHS Calendar for Families 2024/25

Please see the calendar attached to this e-mail, which includes key dates for whole school events, in addition to tracking reports and Parent Evenings for each year group.