



Liberton
HIGH SCHOOL

Family Fortnightly Update

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Liberton Learning Festival

On the INSET day on 21st October, the school hosted our first ever 'Liberton Learning Festival', where over 200 staff members from across our Learning Community (Liberton High, Liberton Primary, Prestonfield Primary, Craigour Park Primary, and Gilmerton Primary) came together to take part in professional learning workshops and seminars on a wide range of educational topics, including supporting young people's mental health and wellbeing, supporting learning needs, promoting pupil participation in decision making, and outdoor learning. There were over 30 different workshops to choose from, and each colleague participated in three different workshops. A great day was had by all, and we hope to continue this in future years.



Road Safety

- We recently spoke to all pupils at assemblies and during House Classes about the importance of safety on the school drive.
- We would very much appreciate if you could speak with your child about ensuring that they walk down the pavements and not down the middle of the road, and that if they bring their bike to school, they wear a helmet and keep both wheels on the ground at all times whilst cycling up the drive and on Gilmerton Road.
- There have been some near misses recently where pupils have walked suddenly in front of cars, and we want to ensure pupil safety at all times.
- We also ask that parents and carers **do not drive up and down the main drive at the start or end of the school day, in order to minimise any moving traffic on the campus at those key times.**



Thank you very much for your support with this.



LHS Hoodies and Sweatshirts

Thank you for continuing to support our school uniform approach. Our pupils continue to look like part of the Liberton Team, and seem to really like their hoodies.

If families would like to purchase any additional hoodies or sweatshirts for over the winter, our supplier BE Uniforms will be coming to the school canteen from 5pm-7pm on Tuesday 29th October to sell them directly to families, and allow young people to try on different sizes. All families are welcome to pop along 😊 ([Liberton High School Hoodie](#))

Interhouse Challenge

Halloween Baking Competition



- When - This event shall take place on **Monday 28th October.**
- What – a Halloween themed baking competition - pupils are to bake any item of their choice at home in advance, with a spooky twist – your baking should be Halloween themed... BOO!
- **Before 8.30 on Monday 28th October, pupils should drop their baking off in the HE department.** It will be sampled/judged during the day and can be collected again at the end of the school day.
- Prizes- each entry will be given 10 points, and 1st first place will get 100 points for their house , 2nd place 80 points, and 3rd place 60 points.

GOOD LUCK EVERYONE!





S1s at Lunchtime

- Now that we have passed the October break, our S1 year group are permitted to leave the school grounds at lunchtime if they and their families choose to.
- Pupils are of course also very welcome to stay within the school during lunchtime, particularly if they are in receipt of free school meals or if they wish to bring a packed lunch or to purchase food from our canteen.
- We also have a range of activities for pupils on offer at lunchtimes.



Easy Fundraising – Consider Helping LHS for free!

- Earn your school money for nothing!
- Lots of companies will donate money to good causes when you do your online shopping via Easyfundraising at no extra cost to you!
- With Christmas not too far away this could be a fantastic opportunity to effortlessly support the Liberton High School Parent Council. All funds we raise go into supporting the school with new resources.
- <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/liberton-high-school/qr/>

Upcoming Calendar Dates



Our online version of the school calendar for families can be found on our website: [Parent-Version-Liberton-High-School-Calendar-2024-25.pdf \(libertonhighschool.org\)](https://libertonhighschool.org/Parent-Version-Liberton-High-School-Calendar-2024-25.pdf)

Our menu of Family Learning events at Liberton for 2024-25 can also be found on our website: [Family-Learning-Calendar-2024-25.pdf \(libertonhighschool.org\)](https://libertonhighschool.org/Family-Learning-Calendar-2024-25.pdf) **all young people are welcome to attend these events with their parent(s) or carer(s).**



Contacting the school

- All of our families are able to contact our school by **e-mailing** admin@liberton.edin.sch.uk (and our admin team will be happy to direct your e-mail to the relevant member of our school staff)
- You are also very welcome to contact us by phone on 0131 664 7514 and press the following:
 - Press 1 to report an absence to our **attendance line**.
 - Press 2 if it relates to supports for your child in **DEE HOUSE**.
 - Press 3 if it relates to supports for your child in **FORTH HOUSE**.
 - Press 4 if it relates to supports for your child in **TAY HOUSE**.
 - Press 5 to speak to the main office about general school queries not specific to your child.



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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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