



Liberton
HIGH SCHOOL

Family Fortnightly Update

Issue 7: 22nd November
2024

WHERE EVERYONE MATTERS



READY * RESPECTFUL * RESPONSIBLE



Contents

- Tay House – Pupil Support
- Senior Phase Assessments
- Christmas Interhouse Arts and Crafts Competition
- Wider Achievement Groups
- Pupil Successes
- Upcoming dates and events
- Contacting the school



Tay House - Information

Reminder of the communication that was issued to families last week regarding Tay House pupils:

Miss Chloe Swinney, who was the current Acting Pupil Support Leader for Tay House S1-S4, left us on Friday 22nd November to start a new job in East Lothian. Chloe has been here since April 2024, covering the maternity leave of our permanent Pupil Support Leader Natasha Jacobs, who is due to return in April 2025.

- Mr Marc McGill has been successfully appointed as the new Acting Pupil Support Leader for Tay House S1-S4 (to cover the remainder of Natasha Jacobs's maternity leave). Marc is currently overseas but will be here to start this role from **Monday 16th December**.
- For the next 3 weeks, until Marc begins, Mr Jonathan Whan (who is currently the Assistant Pupil Support Leader) has assumed the role and will be available to support pupils from Tay House.

Senior Phase Assessments



As we approach a busy few weeks of formal assessments (formally known as 'prelims'), it is important that pupils continue to attend all timetabled classes as usual, as learning and teaching is still continuing, and courses continue to be covered in class, so that all course content is complete prior to Easter, to allow pupils the very best chance in their final qualifications.

All Senior Phase (S4-S6 pupils) have access on Teams to our **Senior Phase Assessment Calendar**, which outlines all formal assessment dates for this session. All of these assessments are undertaken **during class time** to avoid pupils missing important course work in other subjects. The only exceptions are:

- Maths and Apps of Maths (which take place on 9th (N5 Maths and Apps of Maths) and 10th (Higher Maths and N5 Apps paper 2) December in the assembly hall, and in other rooms for those with Additional Assessment Arrangements)
- English (which takes place on 16th (Higher) and 17th (Nat 5) January in the assembly hall, and in other rooms for those with Additional Assessment Arrangements)
- Specific cookery assessments that require more than a double period to complete
- Individual music performance prelims, where each pupil is given their own time slot



Interhouse Christmas Arts and Crafts Competition

What: A chance to EITHER complete a Christmas craft at home and bring it in, or to design and create some Christmas art whilst earning house points for your house, and prizes!

When: All completed entries must be handed in to the art department before school on **Tuesday 3rd December.**

Where: If you don't have materials at home, feel free to complete your Christmas Art work on Monday 2nd December at lunchtime in the Art Department, where you can use paper and colour provided.





Extra-Curricular Clubs

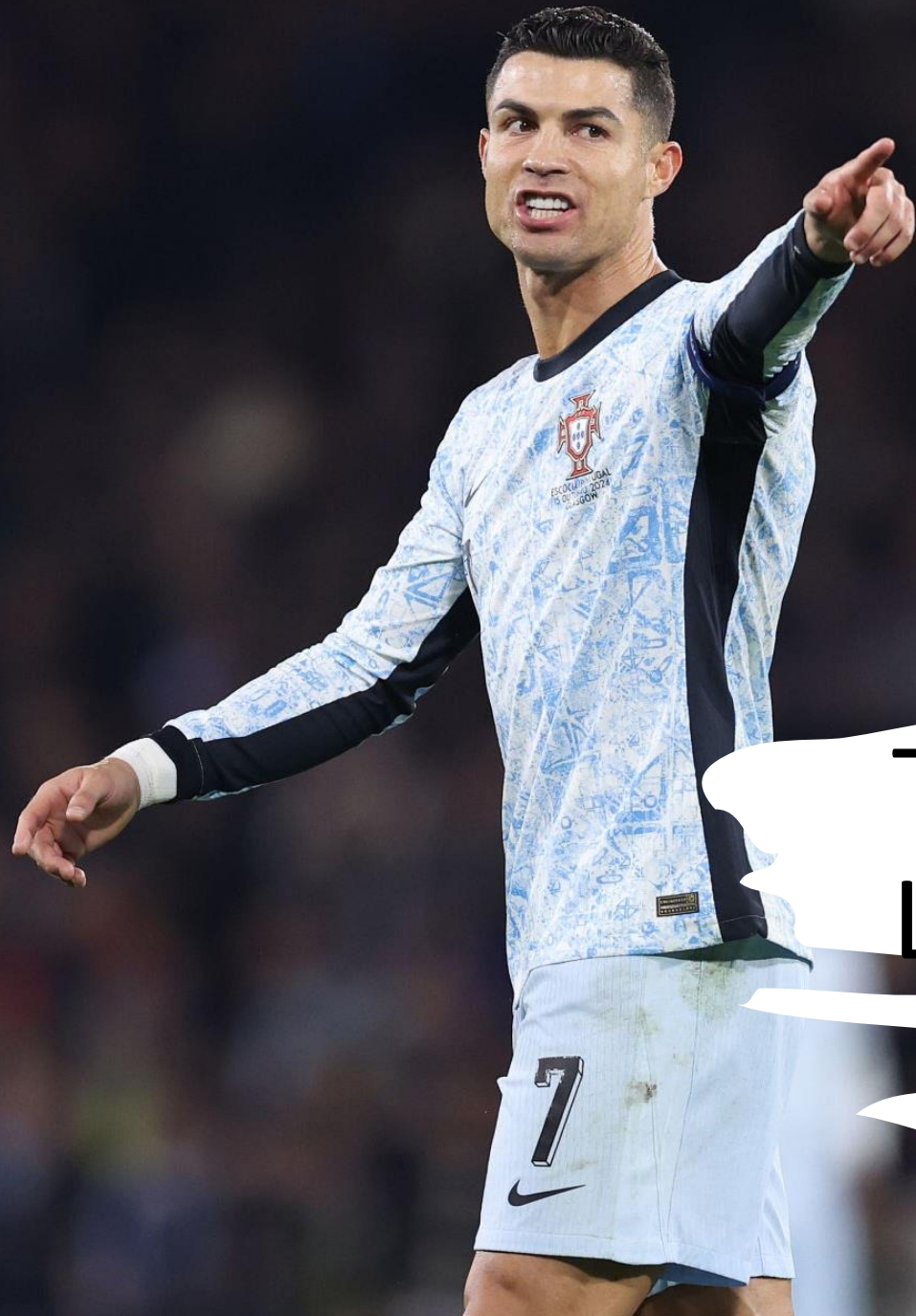
Just a reminder that our [Wider-Achievement-Calendar-2024-25.pdf](#) is available by clicking on the link, which takes you to the relevant part of our school website. It has details of a range of clubs run by staff.

Activities and Supports: Led by S5/S6 Pupils



The following 6 slides have been created by our senior pupils to advertise new clubs, activities and supports that are pupil-led. All are welcome!

They have been advertised to pupils during house class and on the whole school teams page.



Thursday Premier House League

Details

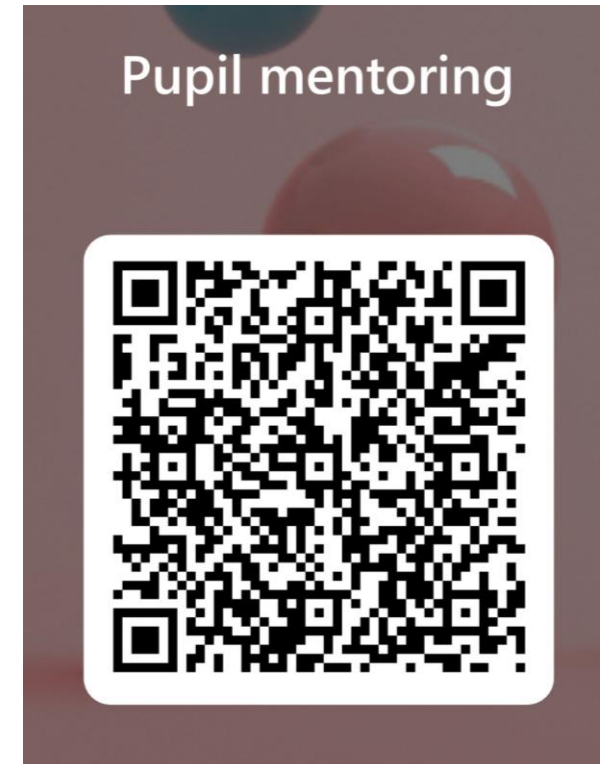
Location- tennis courts

Times- Every second Thursday starting on 21/11/24 Lunch time

Reward- top 3 players in each session get 10 house points each!

Pupil mentorship programme

- The pupil mentorship programme pairs seniors with students from the younger school to offer guidance, support and encouragement in both academic and personal development. Through regular meetings and activities, mentors help students build confidence, set goals, and develop skills essential for future success.
- There is possibility of monthly meet-ups as a whole group
- Feel free to sign up by scanning the QR
- Teachers and members of staff are free to put forward names of any individuals they think would benefit from this.
- This is purely confidential !
- DEADLINE : 2nd December 2024



Liberton listens



- **What?** – we are a small group of students from S5/6 and if you have any issues or concerns no matter how big or small we are here to listen in an informal way.
- **Where?** - The classroom at the far end of the social area
- **When?** – Monday and Thursday lunchtimes (starting week 25th November)



INDOOR SPORTS



Monday lunchtime- Basketball

Monday After school- Badminton S1-S3

Tuesday After school- Badminton S4-S6

Wednesday lunchtime-Indoor football (when raining)

House points available!

Football + Basketball At lunchtime

At the Games hall

Football - Wednesday (when raining)

Basketball - Monday



Everyone Welcome!



Indoor classroom games and actives

- ▶ Come and join in on fun games and activities during lunch time, board games, tasks, blookets, bingo, whiteboard games and more.
- ▶ This will be in Miss Moodies classroom in the top floor of science
- ▶ Every Thursday lunch, bring your lunch with you or have it before coming
- ▶ House points available!!





Liberton
HIGH SCHOOL

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!

READY * RESPECTFUL * RESPONSIBLE

**WHERE
EVERYONE
MATTERS**

LHS Hoodies and Sweatshirts



If families would like to purchase any additional LHS hoodies or sweatshirts for over the winter, our supplier BE Uniforms will be coming to the school canteen from 5pm-7pm on our next parent evening, which is on Thursday 5th December. All families are welcome to pop along 😊

They can also be purchased directly online by families: ([Liberton High School Hoodie](#))



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](#)
[\(libertonhighschool.org\)](#)

Our menu of Family Learning events at Liberton for 2024-25 can also be found on our website: [Family-Learning-Calendar-2024-25.pdf \(libertonhighschool.org\)](#)
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.