

# Weekly Heads Up!

Friday 8 March 2019

## Message from the Headteacher

As we move towards the Easter holidays, the pace, intensity and focus is picking up in the school with regard to the completion coursework and folios and preparing for the final exams. At the parent council meeting on Wednesday evening, the study support sessions that are available to pupils were discussed. An updated timetable will be available on the website next week.

Unfortunately, we had another malicious fire alarm this week which has caused undue pressure on the SQA preparations. The issue has been dealt with swiftly with the young person involved facing sanctions from the school and also Police Scotland. I cannot reiterate more the severity of these incidents and the impact on both the emergency services and our young people in the building. These incidents are not being taken lightly and we will continue to work to ensure they do not occur.

Mobile phones continue to be an issue in school with pupils using them inappropriately. If you need to contact your child during the school day, please do so through the school office. Please also remind your child that if mobile phones are brought to school, they are to be switched off and remain in their school bag unless given express permission by the class teacher to do otherwise. Your support in this is greatly appreciated.

## Senior Options Evening

The Senior Options Evening will take place at 7pm on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March .

Format for the evening will include:

- an overview of the course choice form for 2019/20
- an explanation of the new courses which exist within the form
- planning of the pupil learner journey

Looking forward to seeing as many parents/carers and pupils there as possible.



## Modern Languages

SQA Speaking Tests at Nat 4, Nat 5, Higher and Advanced Higher will take place this coming week. Students should please ensure that they are fully prepared as this accounts for 25% of their final grade. Students should contact their Modern Languages teacher if they require any additional assistance.



## #HotChocFriday

This week pupils from our senior phase were invited to join Ms Thomson for #Hotchocfriday. This week's pupils nominated for excellence in their learning and behaviour were: Callie Lugget (who received 2 nominations) Heather Meaney, Ben Griffiths, Samuel Adeosun and Yasmin Doyle.