CASTLEHEAD HIGH SCHOOL



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School Vision

Cultivating a community of respect, equity, and kindness, fuelling ambitious minds to thrive and make a positive impact in our world.

School Values

Ambition Respect Kindness

Head Teacher Weekly Update

Dear pupils, parents, and carers,

I would like to start this Head Teacher update by wishing all our pupils, parents, carers, teachers, and everyone in the Castlehead High School community a Happy New Year. I hope that everyone had a restful and enjoyable Christmas break.

SENIOR PHASE PRELIMS

This week saw the beginning of our senior phase prelim exams. Due to the ongoing work in our PE facilities, our pupils have been travelling to Paisley Town Hall to sit their prelim exams. So far this week we have seen our pupils sitting Higher and N5 English, Higher Geography, Higher Applications of Maths, Advanced Higher, Higher and N5 Maths, N5 History, Practical Woodwork and Practical Metalwork. We wish our pupils all the best for the remaining prelim exams and continue to support them when they are in school during the exam diet.

OPTIONS LAUNCH EVENING

On Tuesday evening we had our Options Launch event for parents/carers of pupils in S2, S3, S4 and S5. This evening allowed staff to discuss with parents the options process which will begin soon and allow curricular staff to discuss course options with pupils for next session. Feedback from staff, parents and pupils was extremely positive and this event allows pupils to begin to think about curricular and career pathways moving forward. Please click on the link over the page to access the presentation details from the event:











Children's Services

Director: Steven Quinn

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https://www.castleheadhigh.com/2024/01/12/options -launch-event-information/

Please also see photos of the event below:









MUSIC INDUSTRY INSIDERS

Have you ever dreamed of working at music festivals like TRNSMT, or fancied touring the world with your favourite bands, but you can't play a guitar or sing? The music department will be running a series of talks over this term with some of the country's top music industry experts including Biffy Clyro's Tour Manager Neil Anderson, former Radio 1











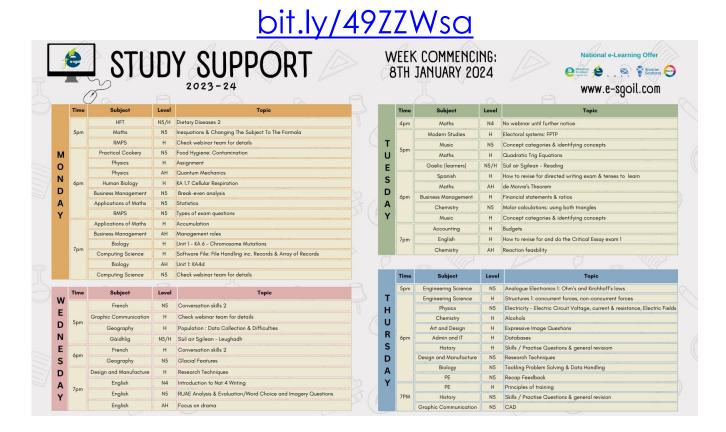
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DJ Ally McCrae, and Franz Ferdinand and Primal Scream's guitar technician, Allan Stewart. These talks will be open to all S3 - S6 pupils with the aim of giving you insider tips on how to get into the music industry without being a musician. Guests and times will be announced in the weekly pupil bulletin. The first talk with Radio 1 DJ Ally McCrae will take place on Friday 19th January at 12.40pm (during lunch) in room M2. Pupils should ask Mrs Robertson in the music department for more details.

ESGOIL STUDY SUPPORT

Finally, Esgoil study support webinars have resumed for pupils in the senior phase. This is a fabulous resource to support our pupils both for their prelims and the final exams in April/May. You can view and download details of the topics to be covered in each webinar at the link below in addition to the timetable of webinars.



I hope you have a restful weekend. With very best wishes to you and your family,

Gordon Menzies Head Teacher











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