



**Please ensure the following notices are read out to all pupils at Registration**

**ASSEMBLIES:**  
 Tuesday 5 December - S1 and S3  
 Wednesday 6 December - S2 and S4  
 Friday 8 December - S5 and S6

**The following assemblies will take place outwith Tutor time:**  
 Thursday 7 December - Period 3 All S2  
 Thursday 7 December - Period 4 All S3

**Upcoming assemblies (in Tutor time):**  
 Thursday 14 December - All S2 (mock option choice)  
 Friday 15 December - All S3 (mock option choice)  
 Week beginning 29 January - All S5 and S6 (mock option choice)

**EVENTS:** Wednesday 6 December - Creative & Aesthetic Faculty Showcase

**KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

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| <b>S1</b>        |   |
| Parents' Evening | Wednesday 25 October – 4.30-7.00pm                          |
| Report Issued    | Friday 4 April  |
| <b>S2</b>        |   |
| Parents' Evening | Wednesday 13 December – 4.30-7.00pm                         |
| Report Issued    | Wednesday 24 January  |
| <b>S3</b>        |   |
| Parents' Evening | Wednesday 14 March – 4.30-7.00pm                            |
| Report Issued    | Monday 12 March   |
| <b>S4</b>        |   |
| Parents' Evening | Thursday 15 February or Wednesday 21 February – 4.30-7.00pm |
| Report Issued    | Friday 17 November  |
| <b>S5</b>        |   |
| Parents' Evening | Thursday 15 February or Wednesday 21 February – 4.30-7.00pm |
| Report Issued    | Friday 8 December   |
| <b>S6</b>        |   |
| Parents' Evening | Thursday 15 February or Wednesday 21 February – 4.30-7.00pm |
| Report Issued    | Friday 8 December   |

**Spotlight on Rights**

Please consider how the simple action that goes with this right would help respect your own or other people's rights

| UN CRC Article   | Simple Action  |
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| <p><b>Article 42 (knowledge of rights)</b><br/>                     Governments must make the Convention known to children and adults.</p> | <p>Take a look at the CRC, there should be one in your Tutor room.</p> |

**Car Park:** Parents are reminded that the dropping off, and picking up of children from the school carpark, or at the front door of the school, is prohibited at the start **and** end of the school day. Exceptions are made if pupils are carrying heavy musical instruments or have a medical condition. If there is a medical reason, please contact Pupil Support to discuss.



**Anthony Nolan Trust:** 38 pupils from our S5 and S6 signed up for the Anthony Nolan Stem Cell register on Wednesday. This is another increase in volunteers from 27 last year. Well done to all those that volunteered to be life-savers!



**Debating Society:** Do you have an interest in current affairs or the world around you? Do you want to build your confidence and gain skills in public speaking? Then why not come along to the Debating Society, which is now open to all S1-S6 and will take place on a Thursday in Room 40 with Mr Young.



**Fun Interpersonal Skills Hub (FISH):** Do you want to improve your confidence? A fun interpersonal skills hub will be running on Tuesdays at lunchtime in room 8 (Mrs Wilson's room). You can practice your interview skills, presentation techniques and improve your overall confidence. Come along and reach your full potential!

**For S6 – URGENT:** The deadline to pay your deposit (£25) is Friday 1 December. Payments to be made at the office to secure your attendance at prom. If you wish you can make the full payment of £50 at this time too.



**No Screen Wednesday:** As part of the library's No Screen Wednesday come along and play board and card games at lunchtime. The games club also has a Twitter account @WCHS\_GamesClub where we show the games we are playing. We don't just play Monopoly or Scrabble. Come along and play Rhino Hero, Avalanche on Yeti Mountain, Zombie Dice or Bomb Squad Academy plus many more.

**Creative and Aesthetic Faculty Showcase: Wednesday 6 December 2017:** We are holding another Creative and Aesthetic Showcase on Wednesday 6 December, from 6.30pm - 8.30pm. All are invited to come along and see pupils' work from Art and Design, Music and CDT departments that will be displayed in the entrance hall, corridors and Assembly Hall. There will also be a Fashion Show and opportunities to try your hand at a range of creative experiences!



**16 Days of Action:** This is a 'call to action' for all women, men and children who would like to show their solidarity and be part of the West Lothian **16 Days of Action march** against gender based violence. The 16 Days of Activism is an international campaign between 25 November and 10th December to challenge and eradicate violence against women and girls. It commences on the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, culminates on Human Rights Day and also incorporates White ribbon day, World Aid's day and the anniversary of the Montreal Massacre. The West Lothian march will be taking place on 8 December, leaving from Howden Park at 10.30am and culminating at the Civic Centre where there will be a small reception with some key speakers. We would be delighted for individuals and agencies to come along and show your support for this prevalent and cross cutting issue.



25 November - 10 December

**West Calder & Harburn Trust:** The West Calder & Harburn Trust are running their Annual Christmas Fayre on Saturday 9 December culminating in the Christmas lights switch on.



**Behaviour on School Buses:** All pupils are reminded that the expectations of behaviour on the school buses is the same as in the school building. Prefects will be looking out for bullying or misbehaviour and if pupils witness negative conduct they should put a report in the bullying box in the Pupil Support Base

**Parent Council:** The next meeting of the Parent Council, which was due to take place on Wednesday 6 December at 7pm has been cancelled.

#### Tip of the Week

Think about the reason why you are listening and set yourself a goal. This will help you focus on important information.

#### Quote of the Week

High expectations are the key to everything.