



Eco Schools
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Turnbull High School
St Mary's Road, Bishopbriggs G64 2EF

Head Teacher Report

March 2024

School Matters

SQA

The 2024 exam diet starts on Monday 22 April and finishes on Thursday 30 May. Results Day will be Tuesday 6 August.

Examination Exceptional Circumstances Consideration Service (EECCS)

The Examination Exceptional Circumstances Consideration Service (EECCS) supports learners who have been unable to attend the exam or whose performance in an exam has been affected by a personal circumstance, or an unplanned incident on the day. It is available for all exams that appear in the exam timetable. Non-question paper components are not eligible for this service.

The service will open on 22 April 2024 and the closing date is 10 working days after the exam for which the request is being made. There is no charge for this service.

Only schools, colleges and training providers may submit requests. **It is essential that parents/carers/learners who believe they are eligible for this service contact the school immediately on the day of the exam.**

Learners are eligible for EECCS consideration if they have experienced a valid exceptional circumstance, they have completed all the compulsory non-question paper components, an estimate has been submitted for them and alternative evidence for the impacted exam components is available

You can keep up-to-date with all the latest information and advice on SQA exams via their website:

<https://www.sqa.org.uk>

- Planned supported study classes will begin on Monday 4 March for 4 weeks. Details of classes on offer are provided at the end of this report.
- Option inserts and interviews for pupils in S2 – S5 are almost completed and work has begun on the construction of the school timetable for session 2024/25. The start date for the new timetable Monday 13th May.
- Further support is available for pupils still considering their next steps in learning. All support requests can be made via the PT Pastoral Care.

Staff

- We look forward to welcoming Mrs Scally back from her secondment with the Royal Society of Chemistry. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Patrick for her positive contribution to Turnbull High School in her role as acting PT Chemistry during this period of secondment.

Spiritual

- Holy Mass is celebrated in our Oratory at eight thirty every Wednesday morning. All pupils and staff are welcome.
- S1 Gideon visits and S4 SPUC visits have taken place in January.
- Our Lenten Charities Campaign launched on Wednesday 14th February. All monies raised will support our continuing school sponsorship through Mary's Meals. Food and Easter Egg donations will be used to support local foodbanks, Chesters Nursery Drumchapel and St Aloysius Parish Springburn.
- During Lent pupils are asked to reflect on 'A Time for Prayer', 'A Time for Fasting' and 'A Time for Almsgiving' through our weekly themes. Our 'Daily Decade' continues to take place in the Oratory every morning and Stations of The Cross take place every Friday lunchtime in our school oratory.
- Our SQA & Leavers Mass is scheduled to take place on Thursday 18th April.
- S3 NET Retreats will take place on 9th & 10th May.

School Events

- The Home Economics department have launched our "Cook with Turnbull" initiative. A fun family learning initiative that encourages learning together as a family. Parents/Carers of S1 are invited to cook with us in making the recipe of the month. Families can follow a recipe provided in the "shopping bag" and via the school website showing a video demonstrating the steps involved.
- To mark Holocaust Memorial day, all pupils across the school engaged in a short starter task on Thursday 25th January.
- The Geobus visited Turnbull late January offering workshops on soil analysis for AH and earthquake building design for S1/2.
- S1 pupils and music students attended Celtic Connections on 1st & 2nd February.
- On Thursday 8th February, Police Scotland delivered Driver Ed training to S6 pupils.
- Pupils from across S1 to S6 participated in EDC's Annual Dancefest on 16th February.

- The S1 Bannockburn experience trip took place on 22nd Feb to reinforce key learning themes covered in the S1 History curriculum.
- S4 Sports Leadership pupils attended Flip Out on 23rd February as part of their curriculum. This course is delivered solely through Trampolining and the trip allowed the pupils to experience the skills they have been working on whilst coaching each other in a real experience. S5 Leadership pupils were tasked with leading and organising the trip as part of their course.
- S3 Geographers are currently undertaking Micro Tyco programme whereby, working in groups, pupils adopt a UN Sustainable Development Goal and see ways to address this issue
- S3 Modern Studies trip to Scottish Parliament is arranged for March 21st.
- The PTA are currently organising a Ladie's lunch. This will take place in Cawder Golf Club on Saturday 16th March at 12 noon. Tickets cost £20 and this includes a buffet lunch and a glass of wine. Tickets are available from the school office.

School/Individual Achievements

- Orla B (S3) has been accepted for the 'Engineering the Future for Girls' course. This is a competitive course with about 3000 applicants competing for the 100 places. Well done Orla!
- Two second year girls, C Liu and J Alex, have been selected to take part in the Weir Wise Programme at Strathclyde University.
- Joseph Mcl (S3) was announced as a finalist in the East Dunbartonshire Schools Art Exhibition. EDC Convenor for Education, Cllr Lynda Williamson, presented certificates at the awards ceremony in the Thomas Muir Coffee Shop on Wednesday 31st January 2024.
- The S6 AAC group have led a local authority in-service day input on February 14th at Balmuildy primary. They gave a presentation about the different methods of augmentative and alternative communication and then ran workshops. The event was attended by learning support staff and staff from health care and social work. Education Scotland were filming at the event too, so there will likely be Turnbull children featuring in the piece that they are making.

SUPPORTED STUDY CLASSES

Monday - Admin & IT (Nat 5)
Monday - Environmental Science (Higher)
Monday - French (Nat 5)
Monday - Spanish (Higher)
Monday - Higher History (Higher)
Monday - Modern Studies (Nat 5)
Monday - National 5 PE (Nat 5)
Monday - PE (Higher)

Tuesday - Biology (Lunch) (All Levels)
Tuesday - Chemistry (Higher)
Tuesday - Chemistry (Adv Higher)
Tuesday - Geography (Nat 5)
Tuesday - Maths Senior National 5 (Nat 5)
Tuesday - Maths (Higher)
Tuesday - Modern Studies (Higher)

Wednesday - Admin & IT (Higher)
Wednesday - Business Management (Nat 5)
Wednesday - Computer Science (Higher)
Wednesday - Chemistry (Nat 5)
Wednesday - English (Nat 5)
Wednesday - English (Higher)
Wednesday - Geography (Nat 5)
Wednesday - Geography (Higher)
Wednesday - Maths (Nat 5)
Wednesday - Practical Woodwork / Practical Metalwork (Nat 5)

Thursday - Fashion and Textiles (Nat 5)
Thursday - French (Higher)
Thursday - Art (Nat 5)
Thursday - Art (Higher)
Thursday - Photography (Higher)
Thursday - History (Nat 5)
Thursday - Music (All Levels)
Thursday - Higher PE (Higher)
Thursday - Practical Cookery (Nat 5)