



# Turnbull Times

June 2026

## LETTER FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to our final newsletter for session 2025/26. It has been another busy year, filled with lots of learning, fun and successes and we are now looking forward to the end of term. I hope you enjoy reading this edition about finding out about some of what has been happening across our school community in recent weeks.

### School Prom

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June our school prom took place in the Westerwood Hotel. Pupils and staff enjoyed an evening of food and dancing as they shared fond memories. We wish all our S6 pupils and S5 leavers good luck as they embark on the next stage of their life journey.

### P7 Induction Days

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May and Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May we hosted our P7 Induction Days. Pupils spent these days following their planned timetables, getting to know key staff and meeting new friends. We look forward to welcoming our incoming S1 cohort into our school community in August.

### Award Ceremonies

Our BGE awards assemblies took place on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June. Look out for a full list of award winners in our August edition of the Turnbull Times.

Well done to all our award winners on their successes and achievements.

### Staffing

After many years of outstanding service to Turnbull High School, Mr Neil Hannah will be retiring at the end of this academic session. On behalf of the pupils, parents and staff, I would like to thank him for his significant contribution to the Physics department, the Science faculty and the wider life and ethos of our school community.

Also retiring, is our librarian, Mrs Sandra Wright. Working with Mrs Jack to gain Gold Reading School status she has had a positive impact on the reading culture within Turnbull High School and we thank her for all her hard work.

We wish them both a long and happy retirement.

We are also saying goodbye to Miss Louise Bell, as she completed her probation year, and to Mr Rhys Lindsay, as he takes up a permanent post as Teacher of History in St Ninian's High School.

On a temporary basis, we say goodbye to Ms Hart as she begins her maternity leave and Mr Thompson and Miss Hogg who have taken up seconded posts for 1 year and 2 years respectively.

I am delighted to inform you that Mr Calum de Saint Croix has been appointed to the permanent post of PT Physics – we wish him every success and happiness in this post.

## Turnbull High School

St Mary's Road,  
Bishopbriggs Glasgow  
G64 2EF

Tel: 0141 955 2393

www.turnbull.e  
dunbarton.sch.uk

Email: office@turnbull.e  
dunbarton.sch.uk

(Continued from page 1)

### Uniform

Turnbull High School has been renowned for our excellent standard of uniform over many years. We can only achieve this with your support as parents. Full details of our dress code can be found on pages 12 and 13 of this newsletter. When purchasing uniform, I would ask that you please be cognisant of this dress code and support us in maintaining our excellent standards.

### School Improvement Plan

Many thanks to parents who responded to our parent survey and school improvement plan consultation. These responses have been considered alongside those from pupils, staff and partners. This analysis has been used to inform our School Improvement Plan for session 2026/27. A summary of this collaborative plan can be found on page 3.

### My Qualifications Scotland

Results day is Tuesday 4 August 2026, and Qualifications Scotland are encouraging learners to sign up to My Qualifications Scotland before 5 pm on Wednesday 15 July.

Learners can receive their exam results by email, text, or both — as well as by post by signing up to the service. Learners can also use My Qualifications Scotland to view a record of their qualifications and check their personal details. To register, learners will need their Scottish Candidate Number (SCN) and a valid email address.

Qualifications Scotland have also published the Your Results learner guide on their website. Your Results provides information about appeals, how QS mark exams and coursework, and next steps for learners.

You can find more information on the My Qualifications Scotland web page.

<https://www.qualifications.gov.scot>

Good luck to all our senior pupils.

### Holiday Arrangements

School will close at 1pm on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June.

School will re-open to pupils on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August at 9am.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for continuing support over this past session.

I wish you all an enjoyable summer break.

Yours sincerely

**E Kennedy**  
Headteacher



# SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2026/27

## HOW WE GROW

<b>Positive relationships exist across the school community and children's rights are understood and lived.</b>	<i>Develop assemblies &amp; pupil conferences to further pupil understanding and commitment to the School's values and virtues.</i>
	<i>Continue to working towards achieving RRS Gold Award.</i>
	<i>Review Governmental and Education Scotland guidance on racial literacy and develop school action plan.</i>
	<i>Work in partnership with EDWA, Rape Crisis and TIE to identify ways to support the "Equally Safe At School" agenda.</i>
<b>Learning outcomes are improved from a continued focus on meeting pupil needs.</b>	<i>Engage with EDC training on Trauma Informed Practice to create a staff that is trauma informed and responds effectively to applicable pupils needs.</i>
	<i>Continue to engage with EDC CIRCLE training programme.</i>
	<i>Incorporate use of CIRCLE frameworks into Case Conferences.</i>
	<i>Work in partnership with Languages and Communication service to enhance school supports.</i>
	<i>Implement and review revised processes for pupil absence management</i>
<i>Enhance curriculum delivery for pupils experiencing EBSNA.</i>	

## HOW WE LEARN

<b>Learning outcomes are improved through a continuing review of our curriculum and pedagogy.</b>	<i>Develop programme of quality assurance and CLPL to ensure continuing focus and development of BLP.</i>
	<i>Further development of Literacy Across Learning (LaL) which will incorporate EDC literacy strategy and dyslexia guidance.</i>
	<i>Develop a programme of Family Learning Activities to enhance pupil and parent engagement.</i>
	<i>Engage with EDC planning for implementation of the Curriculum Improvement Cycle</i>
<b>Pupils are equipped with the essential skills they need to thrive in a constantly changing world, both in education and in the workplace</b>	<i>Extend implementation of use of SDS Metaskills framework</i>
	<i>Investigate use of SDS Dashboard for tracking Metaskill development.</i>

## EQUITY

<b>To improve the attainment and achievement of pupils within our equity cohort.</b>	<i>Data analysis of pupils to identify equity cohort.</i>
	<i>Action plan developed to support identified pupils</i>

# MATHS DEPARTMENT

## UKMT Junior Maths Challenge

The UK Maths Trust is the leading British charity that advances the education of young people in Mathematics. Every year they organise the highly prestigious Junior, Intermediate and Senior Maths challenges where 650 thousand pupils throughout the UK take part in.

The competition is administered by teachers where pupils have up to 60 mins to answer 25 multiple choice problem solving questions. The questions become progressively more challenging and it is a great achievement for any pupil who is awarded at any level.

This year, we would like to congratulate the following pupils for their success at the Junior level:

<b>Bronze Awards</b>		<b>Silver Awards</b>	
Aurora	W	Isla	F
Micah	J		
Allan	O		
Andrew	U		
Ashley	C		
Lewis	M		
Paige	S		
Regina	H		

Special congratulations to Isla F who also won our Best In School award.



**United Kingdom  
Mathematics Trust**

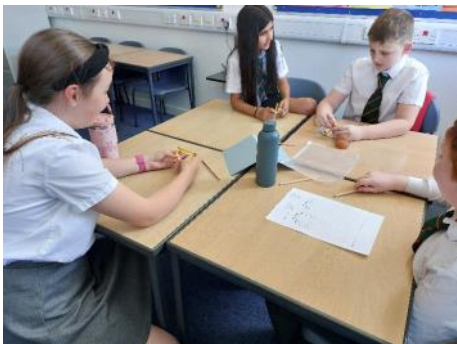
# MATHS DEPARTMENT

## Primary 7 Maths Challenge Final

After three competitive days in each of our feeder primaries, where the whole of Primary 7 competed to gain a prestigious place in our inter-school Maths Challenge Final, we were delighted to welcome our winning teams to fight it out on Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> May. Thank you to the six teams who took part.



Twenty four pupils from St Helen's, St Matthew's and St Nicholas' Primaries attended Turnbull High to compete in this challenge.



It was lovely to see so many fantastic Mathematicians with a real interest in problem solving.



Well done to all those who took part.

# MUSIC DEPARTMENT



Our school Big Band and Jazz Band ventured out as is our annual custom, to perform at Mugdock Park bandstand on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May. The bands have been practising their usual set list of Film Themes and pop and rock classics through the ages in line with our general all round 'foot-tapping crowd pleasers' policy! Our latest addition is the 'Party Dance Mix' medley including excerpts from 'Moves Like Jagger', 'Good Time' and 'Party Rock Anthem'. The story with the weather was that we had a morning of beautiful sunshine, then mainly rain while the band were playing, and after the last piece of gear was safely stowed back in the car at the end the sun decided it was time to come back – we were very grateful for the cover of the bandstand!

We managed to raise over £160 for Glasgow Children's Hospital over the hour and a half concert thanks to the generous donations from parents and general public. Thanks to Mugdock Park for hosting us once again. Thanks also to all the parents, staff and friends who came out to support this event and to all the pupils who work hard behind the scenes attending rehearsals every week and who, on the day, played brilliantly!

N Hoyle (PT Music)

## MARY'S MEALS

At the end of term our staff gathered together in our new Values Garden to host a coffee morning for Mary's Meals.

Some of our Credo Club pupils were very busy in not only decorating the windows of the garden; reflecting our school values; but also in the organisation of the coffee morning.

They went above and beyond and we had a lovely time raising money for a charity that is very close to our heart.



## A VERY Quick Guide for Parents and Carers

### Supporting Children and Young People with Healthcare Needs in Turnbull High

Parents and carers are responsible for supplying information about medication which needs to be taken in school and for letting the school know of any changes to prescribed medication or any health support needed.

The PT Pastoral Care must be the first point of contact for any information relating to a young person's health. Should a young person require to self-administer a medication or require EDC employees to administer a medication, the appropriate forms must be completed and returned.

#### Forms

Form PM 9/06/F01 –

*Parental Request for School Employees to Administer Medication*

Form PM 9/06/F02 –

*Parental request for Young person to Self-Administer Medication*

No medications will be held by the school or administered by employees without the form being completed by parents and carers. EDC employees will not administer any medication unless the paperwork is completed and the medication is appropriately packaged. All medications must be prescribed. In all cases, **each** medication should be clearly labelled with the following information:

- Young person's name
- Date of birth
- Written instructions provided by parents, carers or doctor
- The prescribed dose
- Dose frequency
- Expiry date
- Any additional or cautionary information

It is essential that young people with serious allergies and health conditions carry medication, inhalers and EPIPENS with them at all times. **This includes PE (e.g. when on the pitch), break, lunchtimes, trips and activities out of school. The medication should be not be left in school bags.**

#### Unwell in School

When responding to pupil illness in school, the school office will contact parents and carers. Parents and carers may deem it appropriate that their child remains in school or is collected from school. It may be the case that pupils and parents communicate directly with each other when the child is feeling unwell. **We respectfully ask that all communication is made through the school office so communication is clear and accurate, allowing us to respond appropriately to parents and carers.**

Pupils are not allowed to go home if under 16 years of age and there is no responsible adult at home or, if over 16, without the parent/carer's knowledge and consent. The school office keeps a record of those pupils reporting sick, nature of illness, time and nature of parental contact and next steps.

# A VERY Quick Guide for Parents and Carers

## Supporting Children and Young People with Healthcare Needs in Turnbull High

### Hygiene and Infection Control

Parents should inform the school of their child's absence which relates to any illness which could be infectious and easily passed on. Children with diarrhoea or vomiting should stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours). NHS advice can be found here:

<https://www.nipcm.hps.scot.nhs.uk/>

***Please note that when reporting an absence on the Parents Portal and to the school office, please ensure you give details of the illness. Please do not be offended if we ask for more information if you report your child as being 'unwell'.***

### Outdoor Activities and Excursions

Require the approval of the Year Group Head or the Head Teacher, if multiple year groups are involved. Planning and risk assessment for outdoor activities and excursions are undertaken through our EVOLVE process, using the appropriate EDC documentation. Information on East Dunbartonshire's indemnity and insurance can be found here:

<https://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/residents/report-problem/liability-insurance-claims>

### Transitions

Planning for transitions to and from high school for young people with long term or complex healthcare or medical needs will take the format of a Team around the Child Meeting. This will involve all relevant GIRFEC partners and should begin six months before the anticipated transition point.

### United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

(UNCRC) – all children and young people have rights as set out in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Of particular reference is Article 24: the right to Health all children have a right to the highest attainable standard of health and to health care services that help them attain this. In addition, all children and young people have a right to an education on the basis of equal opportunity and are entitled to support in their learning.

The GIRFEC National practice model also takes the UNCRC rights approach into everyday practice across all agencies concerned with the wellbeing of children and their families. It expects children and families to be fully included in decision-making, as required by UNCRC Article 12.

We aim to support health needs in the least intrusive and most respectful way possible. This is best undertaken by involving young people and parents in planning how medical needs will be met by supporting and encouraging young people to take responsibility for their own health needs.

# TURNBULL HIGH SCHOOL

# UNIFORM POLICY :

# DRESS FOR SUCCESS

Our dress code aims to provide a cost-effective way for pupils to show that they are proud to belong to our school community. Wearing uniform reflects a positive attitude to learning and removes any peer pressure to wear expensive brand names. Wearing uniform also promotes equality and inclusion. We continue to expect the highest possible standards for our Turnbull school uniform.

## BLAZER

The school blazer complete with embroidered badge is compulsory for ALL pupils. There are two styles of blazer available, fitted or traditional design, for both boys and girls.

Plain black jackets, **no logos or colours**, may be worn over the blazer and removed upon arrival at school.

## SCHOOL SHIRTS/BLOUSES

Only blue school shirts/ blouses that can be fastened to the top are acceptable. These should be traditional school wear clothing.

## TIES

- ✓ S1-S3 striped
- ✓ S4-S5 plain blue
- ✓ S6 plain blue with bar
- ✓ The school tie should be full length when worn.

## SKIRTS

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Smart, formal school skirts must be of an appropriate length, coming to just above the knee.</li> <li>✓ Skirts must be black.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ Dresses, pinafores and lycra skirts are <b>NOT acceptable</b>.</li> </ul> |
|---|--|

## TROUSERS

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ School trousers must be black, formal and tailored.</li> <li>✓ If belts are worn with trousers these should be plain black with small buckle.</li> <li>✓ Shirts must be worn tucked into trousers.</li> <li>✓ Tailored school shorts.</li> </ul> | <p>All other forms of trouser are <b>NOT acceptable</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ shorter length</li> <li>✗ skinny- fit</li> <li>✗ leggings</li> <li>✗ jeans</li> <li>✗ chinos</li> <li>✗ shorts</li> <li>✗ culottes</li> </ul> |
|---|---|

**CARDIGANS/JUMPERS**

✓ Black school cardigans must be fitted and be of an appropriate length	✗ Long cardigans and tank tops <b>NOT acceptable</b>
✓ Only plain black V- neck jumpers must be worn	✗ crew neck jumpers and hoodies are <b>NOT acceptable</b>

**TIGHTS/SOCKS**

Black tights should be worn. They should be plain without any pattern. Black knee high socks and short socks must be plain.

**FOOTWEAR**

✓ Black, formal school shoes or plain black trainers which appear similar to school shoes must be worn.	✗ ALL other types of fashion footwear are <b>NOT acceptable</b> eg Converse etc
✓ Black boots must be robust and in keeping with the formal dress code	

**PE KIT**

Plain T- shirt or Turnbull PE top must be worn with shorts / plain sportswear trousers. Leggings are allowed for girls. Neutral colours are fine it need not be black.

**Please take note of the following guidelines for your young person's PE kit:**

- **Full Change of Clothing:** Students must bring a full change of top, bottoms, and footwear specifically for PE. This helps maintain hygiene and ensures they are dressed appropriately for class.
- **Tops:** Crop tops, belly tops, or any top that exposes the midriff are not permitted. Students should wear a full-length t-shirt or sports top.
- **Bottoms:** Students should wear appropriate sports shorts, leggings, or tracksuit bottoms. These should be suitable for physical activity and the weather.
- **Footwear:** Proper sports trainers are required for PE. Please ensure your child is wearing footwear that provides adequate support. **\*\*Crocs, sandals, or any open-toed shoes are not appropriate\*\*** for PE activities.
- **Team Colours:** To maintain a neutral and inclusive environment, we ask that students do not wear clothing with football colours or logos from any team.
- **Weather-Appropriate Gear:** On days with wet or cold weather, please provide your child with a waterproof jacket or other appropriate outerwear. This will help them stay dry and comfortable during outdoor activities.'
- **Jewellery:** No Jewellery should be worn during PE, with particular reference to hooped earrings, bracelets and necklaces that are on show as they can be easily damaged, lost or cause harm to the wearer and classmates.

We appreciate that this information is prescriptive. This is to ensure that there is no ambiguity as to what is acceptable with regard to school uniform. The school supplier, Baru, provides a very cost effective package for our school. Uniform may also be purchased from reputable stores, or supermarkets which also provide an appropriate range of school wear. High Street fashion retailers do not provide appropriate Turnbull High school uniform. If you are in any doubt please contact the school before purchasing.

Our Community Hub offers recycled uniform items to support all pupils in wearing full school uniform every day. Pupils should go to the Community Hub between 8.45am and 9am to collect required items - stationery, toiletries etc are also available free of charge.

<b>St Matthew's Parish</b> Parish Priest: Father Alex Mpagi	2 South Crosshill Road, Bishopbriggs, G64 2LZ Tel: 0141 772 1619 Parish Email: <a href="mailto:stmatthew@rcag.org.uk">stmatthew@rcag.org.uk</a> Website: <a href="http://www.stmatthewsbishopbriggs.co.uk">www.stmatthewsbishopbriggs.co.uk</a>
<b>Sunday Masses:</b>	Evening Vigil: 5.30pm Morning: 9.30am Morning: 11.00am
<b>Weekday Mass:</b>	Monday to Friday: 10.00am
<b>Confessions:</b>	Friday after 10am Mass and 5:00 pm before Vigil Mass

<b>St Dominic's Parish</b> Parish Priest: Father Chiedozie Ezeribe	21 Kirriemuir Road, Bishopbriggs, Glasgow, G64 1DL Tel: 0141 762 1154 Parish Email: <a href="mailto:stdominic@rcag.org.uk">stdominic@rcag.org.uk</a> Website: <a href="http://www.stdominics.org.uk">www.stdominics.org.uk</a>
<b>Sunday Masses:</b>	Evening Vigil: 5.00pm Morning: 10.00am Midday: 12.00pm
<b>Weekday Mass:</b>	Monday - Friday 9.30am
<b>Confessions:</b>	Immediately after weekday Masses Saturday 4.30pm to 4.50pm and on request

<b>St Andrew's Parish</b> Parish Priest: Father Michael Maloney	29 Roman Road, Bearsden, G61 2SN Tel: 0141 942 4635 Parish Email: <a href="mailto:standrew@rcag.org.uk">standrew@rcag.org.uk</a> Website: <a href="http://www.standrewsbearsden.co.uk">www.standrewsbearsden.co.uk</a>
<b>Sunday Masses:</b>	Evening Vigil: 5.00pm Morning: 10.00am Morning: 12.00pm
<b>Weekday Mass:</b>	Monday to Friday: 10.00am
<b>Confessions:</b>	Saturday Afternoon: 4.15pm - 4.45pm Sunday Morning: 9.15am - 9.40am and on request.

# Turnbull High School

A Community of Faith Engaged in Learning



## Prayer for the School Community

Jesus our Teacher, in your love for us, help us to develop our own talents so that we may become like you and lead lives of goodness.

Bless all learners and all teachers.

May our Catholic schools continue to serve our families, our communities and our country.

Help us, through our learning, to believe in you and to celebrate the life of your Church.

Help us to grow in holiness as we grow in friendship with you and try to become saints.

We make this prayer in the name of Jesus, our Lord.

**Amen**



Our Values

FAITH

LOVE

COMMUNITY

SERVICE