



Dalriada School

Lower Sixth Form Parents'
Meeting

September 2017



Programme

- Introduction (Mr Skelton)
- Overview of Sixth Form Curriculum (Mr. Skelton)
- Sixth Form in Dalriada School (Mrs Johnston)
- Examination Officer (Mrs Crerand)
- Careers advice and Work Experience (Mrs Kelly)
- Questions

The Sixth Form Curriculum



- AS and A2 Courses
- Enrichment Options
- Sport and extracurricular involvement



Succeeding in Sixth Form

A Time for Change

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- Class structure
- Freedom
- Responsibility
- Study Areas
- Gillan Centre
- Pupil – Student
- Higher expectations

Year 13 Timetable



- 4 AS subjects – 8 periods each
- 1 Supervised study period for each subject
- 2 periods for Games
- 1 period of tutorial
- 3 periods in the Gillan Centre
- 2 periods for enrichment option

Enrichment Options



- ECDL
- OCR - RSA Word Processing
- Italian
- Spanish
- Cookery
- Sign Language
- Riding for the Disabled (in the evenings)
- More will be added throughout the year

Millennium Volunteers



- An opportunity for pupils to get credit for their volunteering inside and outside school.
- Pupils complete a log book
- Work towards school award (30-50 hours), 50 hours, 100 hours, 200 hours.
- Recognised by universities and employers.

Pastoral Structure



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- Tutor group
- Tutor for two years
- Head of Sixth form
- Class teachers
- Tutorial
 - Pastoral
 - Careers
 - Study/planning
 - Healthy lifestyle
 - Positive Mental Health

Opportunities



- Belonging to the “Dalriada Community”
- Extra-curricular/enrichment/Wednesday afternoon options
- Acquiring new skills

Standards/procedures



- Uniform
- Self-discipline
- Attendance – parents will be contacted if attendance falls below 90%
- Study room attendance is essential and is monitored closely. If a pupil misses 3 study room periods this will result in an after school detention
- Punctuality – to school and to class. Three 'lates' result in an after school detention.
- Notes for absence and excuses – it is very important in 6th Form that the record of attendance is accurate as universities, colleges and future employers often ask for it.

Educational Maintenance Allowance



- £30 per week (means tested) Paid. Fortnightly payment
- Bonus Allowance of £100 (January/June)
- Notice of Entitlement
- Sign Learning Agreement
- Pupils must have no absence notes outstanding (after two weeks if any absence is still outstanding EMA will not be paid). They are made aware of this via tutors, notice board in Gillan Centre and email.
- Note: EMA has asked schools to remind parents that the EMA contract is with the pupil and therefore schools and/or EMA are not allowed to discuss EMA with parents.

Dates to note



- Work experience - w/b 26th February
- Internal exams – 15th January for one week
- Parents' Meeting - Monday 5th February 2018 from 3.45-6pm

Assessment Manager – Pupil tracking



- At the start of the year pupils and teachers agree a target grade (this can change throughout the year)
- Pupils' progress is tracked throughout the year by Pupil tracking
- At 5 times throughout the year pupils will complete an assessed task and this mark will be used to determine if a pupil is meeting their target. If a pupil is underachieving, measures will be put in place to address this and parents informed.

Sixth Form Success



- Commitment to Courses
- Involvement and Leadership
- Recognition of Responsibility
 - Record of attendance
 - Meeting deadlines
 - Building on strengths
 - Independent study in school AND at home
 - Time Management
 - Organisation



Medical Forms

- Parents should return the following forms immediately
 - AM2 – request for school to administer medication e.g. EpiPen
 - AM3 – request for a pupil to carry their medication e.g. own Inhaler, prescription medication, EpiPen
- Parents should ensure that school has any necessary medication (e.g EpiPens, Inhalers, Diabetes Emergency Box) and that all medication is in date.
- Contact Ms Crawford with any queries.

Any queries?



- Please feel free to contact me at school if you have any queries or feel there is information the school should know.
- My email address is available in the guidebook pupils received - njohnston087@c2kni.net



Examination Information

(Mrs Crerand)



Careers Advice

(Mrs Kelly)

Careers in Year 13



- Post A level choices, e.g. University – start thinking now – use Careers Staff and Library
- Visit universities this year
- Work experience – end of February – should already be thinking about employers



- Extra curricular experiences, opportunities for leadership
- Interviews in March with Careers staff
- Year 14 mock interviews in November – all volunteers welcome!!
- Any questions, contact me by phone at school or email (ckelly743@c2kni.net)



Questions