



Queen Anne High School Weekly E-Bulletin 29 April – 3 May 2019



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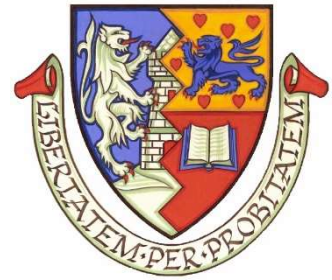
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Holiday - Monday 6 May 2019

Please remember that Monday 6 May is a school holiday. Community Use will also be closed. School will resume again on Tuesday 7 May.

Awards Ceremony – Friday 28 June 2019

We recognise and celebrate pupil achievement in various ways throughout the year, including at our annual Awards Ceremony which has traditionally taken place on the last day of the summer term. Awards criteria for Senior Phase pupils receiving academic recognition for their achievements is based on performance in the formal SQA examinations. However, the timing of our Awards Ceremony in June is out of sequence with the SQA examination results which are published in August. This means that we have historically used SQA results from the previous academic year as the main criteria for awards. To achieve greater transparency and equity, we have decided to move our annual Awards Ceremony to September which means that awards will be based on achievement in the most recent SQA examinations.



The Awards Ceremony currently in the school calendar for Friday 28 June will therefore be postponed until early September 2019. Further details will be shared nearer the time. S6 award winners who have left school will be invited back to QAHS to take part in the ceremony.

Please note that Friday 28 June will be a normal school day (half day) with the usual expectations around pupil attendance.

Handpicked Academy

Queen Anne HS senior phase pupils and school leavers have been invited to apply for the Handpicked Academy.

Working in partnership with employers, the Academy delivers a range of workshops throughout the week with the opportunity to undertake a one-day work shadow within a local business.

At the end of the week, candidates attend an interview with the company's management team. In some instances, these interviews will be for specific jobs. In others, they will provide candidates with robust interview feedback that will help develop employability skills and interview confidence.

The Academy is ideal for candidates who are actively seeking work and attending interviews, but still finding themselves without work, as well as for school leavers who have decided against pursuing further education. The course is full-time and takes place over one week within an employer's premises.



Interested pupils/leavers should speak with their Guidance teacher or SDS Careers Coach who can assist with applications. For further information, please visit: www.handpickedscotland.co.uk

S1 Netball Tournament

Well done to the S1 netball team who won the Fife Netball Championship Tournament! All players displayed a wonderfully positive attitude throughout the day and were rewarded by coming home with the cup! Everyone played exceptionally well and showed enormous determination and commitment to reach the final.

The team topped their group in the morning session before beating Waid Academy by golden goal in the Semi Final. The squad then faced Balwearie HS in the final which the team managed to win 4-3 demonstrating an incredibly high standard of play throughout. A special mention goes to Sarah Timothy who was nominated as one of the players of the tournament. Well done to the team on a magnificent achievement – resilience and growth mindset in action!



Dates for the Diary

- 6 May Monday holiday (QAHS and Community Use closed)
- 31 May SQA examinations end
- 3 June School Holiday
- 4 June Staff Inservice (pupils do not attend)
- 5 June New timetable starts

Wishing you and your family an enjoyable long weekend.

Ruth McFarlane
Rector