

King's Park Secondary School



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Check out our website



Congratulations to our Senior Vocal Group

who performed at a ceremony to commemorate the tenth anniversary of 9/11 on Cathcart Old Parish Church.

Led by Rev Neil Galbraith, the ceremony included Scottish political, religious and community leaders, who participated in the service. It also headlined the Scottish television news programmes.



Inside this Newsletter – News from our Sports Captains!



Congratulations to our Captains and Prefects

KING'S PARK SECONDARY SCHOOL PREFECT TEAM 2011-12

ARRAN

Captain

Amy Lynch 6A

Vice-Captain

Connor Faulk 6A

House Prefects

Emma Alexander 6A
Nicola Anderson 6A

Claire Hunter 5A1
Ross Hunter 5A1
Chloe Kinloch 5A1
Jack McGhie 5A1
Campbell Mills 5A1
Amy O'Brien 5A1
Ilyas Rehman 5A2
Courtney Wells 5A2

LEWIS

Captain

Katie Matheson 6L2

Vice-Captain

Christopher Park 6L2

House Prefects

Jordan Clark 6L1
Nicola Kelly 6L2
Kayleigh Kerrigan 6L1
Laura McCracken 6L1
Caitlin McNaught 6L2
Candice Towler 6L2

Katie Bryce 5L
Jamie Embleton 5L
Adrian Soo 5L

MULL

Captain

Jordan Livingstone 6M

Vice-Captain

Maariyah Shaifque 6M

House Prefects

Corey Allan 6M
Karen Jamieson 6M
Ashley Murphy 6M
Bethany Raphael 6M
Lauren Roberts 6M

Craig Campbell 5M1
Andrew Cowan 5M1
Rebecca Paterson 5M1
Amy Ross 5M1
Samantha Sweeney 5M2

SKYE

Captain

Elin Middleton 6S

Vice-Captain

Rachel Murray 6S

House Prefects

Reece Callaghan 6S
Jodie Davidson 6S
Gavin McGlone 6S
Wahajat Mahmood 6S
Louise McMurtre 6S
Aislinn Rahman 6S

Jennie Bates 5S
Louise Gillan 5S
Naomi Kean 5S
Stephanie Lacey 5S
Amy O'Kane 5S

News from the Sports Captains



Here at King's Park Secondary School our sports captains are working hard to promote sports activity. We know that our involvement within our school has benefited not only our P.E department but also the school as a whole. We know this because we have found ways already of saving the school money by making sensible choices and applying for grants. We are able to apply for these grants because of the initiative our sports captains have shown in making clubs and spending effort outside of school hours in their own areas of expertise.

BADMINTON - One of our sports captains is a top class athlete in their field of badminton. Carol Nicoll is taking classes after school for the younger children. Carol competes in various competitions across Europe and does extremely well taking medals on several occasions. Her class holds around 20 pupils with potential and she is bettering their future in the sport by passing her knowledge and wisdom of the game on to them.

RUGBY - Rugby is another sport which is taken by one of our top athletes, Scott Gallagher. He has been picked to play for the Glasgow Warriors and is one of the most focused, dedicated, professional and determined athletes I have ever seen. Hopefully he will be able to transfer his excellent attributes in to some of the keen young talent we have here at King's Park.

GOLF - Corey Allen is another of our sports captains who has proved his great skill and talents in the world of golf. He also takes a class after school where he demonstrates his abilities to those who would like to follow in his footsteps.

ICE SKATING AND ATHLETICS - Ashley Sweeney is another of our most impressive athletes who has been put forward by our school to carry the Olympic torch in 2012. She has been chosen because of her very promising future career in ice skating and athletics.

JUDO - I am also a sports captain and also have my own area of expertise. I am one of the top Judo competitors with a current ranking of 2nd in the whole of Britain, although I am determined to make it a No.1 position in the British championships later this month. I also have had the privilege of being selected to go to the Olympics in 2012 as a volunteer to assist the top judo competitors and be mat side with them as they fight for their Olympic glory. I am also a serious contender for the 2014 Commonwealth Games.

You can find out more about us on our website.

By Jacob Moore

Pamela and Humza are writing to local companies asking for help. See their letter on the school website.



Calendar Dates

1. Proposed School Holidays and In-Service Days 2012-13

The details of the proposed school holidays and in-service days have been posted on the Glasgow City Council web site. Go to: <http://www.glasgow.gov.uk/en/Residents/GoingtoSchool/Holidays/holidaysfor2012to2013.htm>

2. Forthcoming (see school website for more)

October 2011

Monday, 03rd - S2 Girls - 1st dose HPV
Friday, 14th - S1 Interim Reports issued
Friday, 14th - School closes at 3.15 pm for October holiday
Monday, 24th - In Service Day 3
Tuesday, 25th - Pupils return after October Break

November 2011

Tuesday, 01st – Parent Council Meeting
Tuesday, 01st – Kids Safe Event in Cathcart Old parish Church
Friday, 04th - S4 Interim Reports issued
Thursday, 10th - S4 Parents' Evening 3.30-5.30 pm
Wednesday, 09th – Baldy Bane Theatre Company
Thursday, 10th – S4 Parents' Evening 3.30-5.30 pm
Monday, 14th - S4 Work Experience Week
Thursday, 17th - Skills Scotland Event for S3 pupils
Friday, 18th - S5/6 Interim Reports issued
Friday, 18th – Children In Need day. 50p for non-uniform
Monday, 21st - S2 Girls - 2nd Dose HPV
Thursday, 24th - Open Evening (for P6 and P7 and parents)
Wednesday, 30th - S5/6 Parents' Evening: 3.30-5.30 pm

December 2011

Friday, 02nd - S3 Interim Reports issued
Tuesday 06th – Parent Council Meeting
Wednesday, 07th - Christmas Concert
Tuesday, 13th - S1 Parents' Evening: 4.15 pm - 6.15 pm
Friday, 16th - S2 Interim Reports issued
Friday, 16th – Swimming Gala at Castlemilk Pool
Monday, 19th - Christmas Ceilidhs this week
Thursday, 22nd - Senior Ceilidh
Friday, 23rd - Last Day of School until the New Year



MOBILE PHONES

Parents – please support us to enforce our mobile phone policy. To prevent interruptions to teaching and learning, phones must be switched off in class (not on silent – actually switched off)



Dress Code

In our last newsletter, we gave a reminder of our school dress code, which we expect all pupils to follow.

As usual, there will be a maximum of 5 non-uniform days this session. Pupils who wish to be out of uniform on those days should bring 50p each for charity.

- Friday 18th November (Children in Need)
- Friday 23rd December (last day before Christmas holiday)
- Date to be confirmed – Sport Relief
- Friday 30th March (last day before Spring Break)
- Wednesday 27 June (last day before Summer)

At all other times, pupils must wear full school uniform.

Rewards

In order to receive rewards, eg attendance at school dances and other privileges, pupils must meet the following criteria:

Minimum 90% attendance **Maximum of 5 latecomings**
Good behaviour record - we will look at the number of Merits and Demerits



Hospitality Skills for Work

Hi there, our names are Rebecca Munro and Aimee Young. We both go to King's Park Secondary and picked Hospitality, Skills For Work.

In our first year, half the class went to Langside College for a term and then the other half went to Langside College the next term. Rebecca and I were both in the second group with eight others. While the other ten pupils were at college our task was to create and take charge of our own Afternoon Tea which was a great success whilst the other class held a Christmas Dinner in the College for invited guests and family members.

When it was our turn to attend the college, we were there for 12 weeks. During our time, we made lots of interesting dishes and learned a variety of cooking methods. It was a great experience. Near the end of our Langside College course a celebrity chef came and gave us a lesson on sugar art which was really interesting and exciting.

Overall we had a good and interesting first year in hospitality and gained a lot of knowledge and experience, and accomplished and achieved lots of new skills.

We are now in our 2nd year in Hospitality Skills for Work. So far our class has held a café which took place early afternoon on a Monday in our classroom. We asked teachers with free time to come along and order some food. All the food was reasonably priced and we made a good profit.

Our next task is to hold a party in our class to celebrate our success. We will be making and preparing most of the food which is going to be served.

Our final task is to prepare and serve a formal dinner for invited guests and teachers. We look forward to putting all our skills and abilities to the test.

Units in the course are:

- Front of House skills
- Working in the Professional Kitchen
- Working in the Hospitality Industry
- Introduction to Events

