



# Campbeltown Grammar School

## **Fortnightly** **Update**

14th March 2025

We are very pleased to inform you that we have appointed a new Teacher of Spanish. Mrs Souden will join us in May. We are very much looking forward to welcoming her back to Campbeltown Grammar School.

Interviews for our new Teachers in PE and RMPS/Social Subjects will take place next week.

We will continue to keep you informed of any further updates with our staffing.

Thank you to everyone who attended our S2 into S3 Options Evening. If you were unable to attend or would like more information, please contact your child's Guidance Teacher.

The S2 into S3 Options Booklet is available on our school website:  
<https://www.campbeltown.argyll-bute.sch.uk/s2-to-s3-options/>

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*Aim High*

Thank you!

Campbeltown Grammar School Parent Council would like to extend our gratitude to the community/parents/carers for their generosity in helping us raise funds at our coffee morning held at the Campbeltown Town Hall on Saturday 1st March 2025. . Many local establishments supported our event by donating gifts and vouchers and we are extremely grateful for their generosity. Thank you to the Co-op & Tesco for providing coffee, sugar and biscuits towards this event. Thank you to the music department from the grammar school for providing the entertainment for the morning.

A total amount of £584.05 was received which will go towards the school funds to assist the pupils in various activities and incentives for the academic year.

Thank you!

# English



Great fun and learning in action! Our pupils developing vital literacy and numeracy skills as they engaged in competitive games of Scrabble. They're improving their vocabulary, spelling, and word recognition, while also boosting their strategic thinking, problem-solving, and Numeracy skills. A fantastic way to build both language and number confidence!





# CGS at the DRAMA FESTIVAL



On Thursday the 27th of February the school drama club performed at the Kintyre Drama Festival. They have been working on the play *Same Difference* by Louise Roche.



The group performed really well, being praised for their acting skills and were given some helpful suggestions on how to project their voices further.

We all thoroughly enjoyed watching the other plays and it was excellent to see the amount of youth talent that we have in Campbeltown, well done to Castlehill Primary Drama Club who won the youth trophy and Dalintober Primary Drama Club who won "best moment of theatre".

We look forward to performing again next year after another successful festival this year.



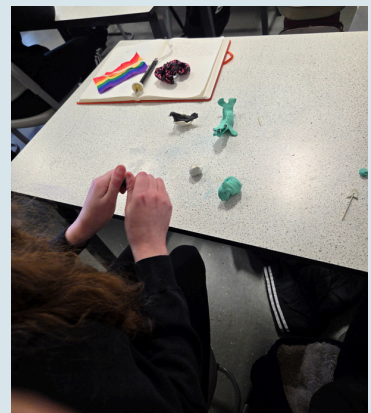
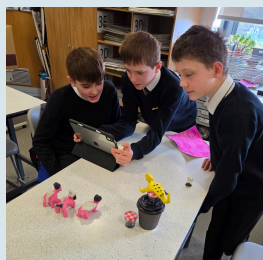
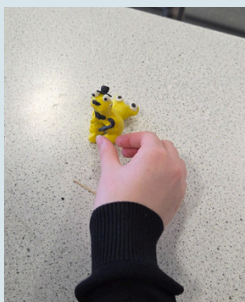
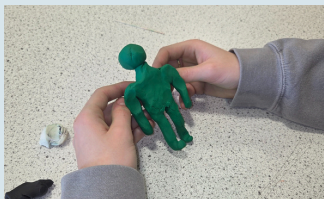
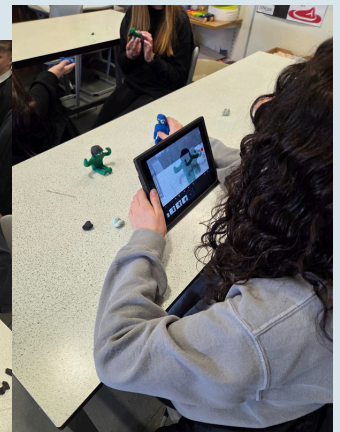
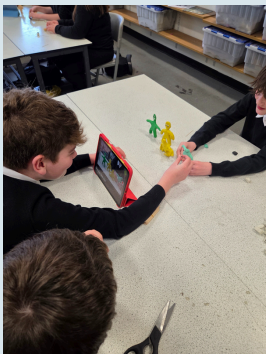
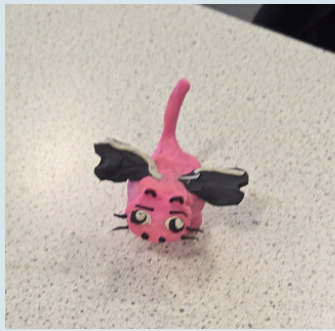
Thank you to all who supported and helped with the Drama Club this year.





Pupils took part in a Screen Argyll animation workshop led by Jim Parkyn from Aardman Animations and Jack Lockhart a filmmaker responsible for Kensukes Kingdom. All of S1 & 2 were treated to a free screening of the movie on Monday at the cinema with animation and education events happening in the evening. The pupils made plasticine characters and experimented with the stop frame animation app "Stop Motion Studio" in the workshop with some interesting results! There is a follow up online session for keen animators of the future on Saturday the 15th – there are limited places available so sign up fast! Pupils can sign up here:

<https://screenargyll.co.uk/film-education/>

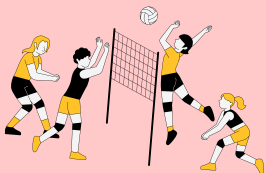






## MAKI Volleyball WINNERS 2025

Ten senior students travelled to Islay High School yesterday to compete in the annual MAKI Volleyball Tournament. The two Campbeltown Teams played a total of 14 matches each with some very exciting and closely contested games. After all matches were finished CGS finished on top with Islay High School 2nd, Lochgilphead High School 3rd and Tarbert Academy 4th. A huge well done to all the participants in what was an excellent advert for school competitive sport.





# Brass Band and Pipe Band



Our brass players and pipe band had an incredibly busy schedule, competing in various competitions across Scotland last weekend.

On Saturday, 13 of our brass musicians, along with Mr Cosgrove, made their way to Perth to represent Campbeltown Brass in the Scottish Brass Band Championships, second section. The band put on an outstanding performance, securing a 5th place finish, which is quite remarkable considering they were competing against mostly adult bands. A special mention to Alyssa McEachran (S2) and Amelie Ralston (S1) for participating in their first senior band competition and as the youngest players in the second section.

The following day, Kintyre Schools Pipe Band shone at the Scottish Schools Pipe Band Championships in Kilmarnock. They were awarded a fantastic 7th place out of 26 competing bands in the Novice B section. The band also wowed the judges with their hauntingly beautiful arrangement of 'Hills of Argyll' in the Freestyle Competition, featuring Hannah McLellan (S3) on keyboard and our talented vocal group.

On Sunday, several of our brass students travelled back up the road, to Glasgow, to represent Argyll and Bute in the prestigious Scottish Young Musicians ensemble competition. A massive congratulations to former pupil Mae Barr, Charlie Colville (S4), James Barr (S4), Cara McFadzean (S5) and Hope Hill (S1), who were crowned Scottish Young Musicians Brass Ensemble of the Year 2025- A fantastic achievement.

What a weekend of success for our brass and pipe musicians! We're incredibly proud of their hard work and outstanding performances.



Music  
Success





# Your Exams

What you need to know about National 5,  
Higher and Advanced Higher exams

School edition



The Your Exams pupils information booklet is now available on our school website to view.

<https://www.campbeltown.argyll-bute.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Your-Exams-2025-SQA-pupil-information.pdf>

If you wish a paper copy please contact the school office.



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COLLEGE**

Our S4 pupils who attend Nat 5 Sports and Recreation at Argyll College are currently working on their Fitness Programme unit and delivering a 6 week block of fitness to Primary 7 pupils at Castlehill Primary School.



# 2025

## GRADUATION & LEAVERS CEREMONY

### *Save the Date*

**Thursday 24th April 2025**

**Approximate time 11am (to be confirmed)**

