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WELCOME TO CGS!

P7 Transition Days

As we come to the end of our Primary 7 Transition, we are delighted to share that it has been a truly impactful and positive experience for all involved. Over three excellent days, pupils engaged enthusiastically in a range of Scottish-themed lessons and house activities, embracing every opportunity with enthusiasm and respect.

While many arrived feeling a little nervous, there was a real sense of excitement, and it was wonderful to see their confidence grow. Throughout the transition, pupils demonstrated thoughtful interactions and positive attitudes, exemplifying our CGS school values.

They leave us not only more confident about the next stage of their journey but also with new friendships already beginning to form. A huge well done to all pupils and staff who contributed to making this such a successful and enjoyable experience.



We are coming to the end of our exam timetable, well done to all pupils and we look forward to seeing your results.

A special thank you to all CGS staff involved in the set up and organisation of the exams and our wonderful Qualification Scotland Invigilators.

Senior Phase pupils will return to school on Thursday 4th June. Most pupils have been issued with their new timetables, those who have not can collect this during Buddy Training.

Guidance Staff and SLT will be available to discuss option choices and make amendments if necessary. Students who require further discussion will be invited in on Tuesday 2nd June or Wednesday 3rd June. If you would like to make an appointment to meet with Mrs Fletcher or Mr Doxsey to discuss any issues with options, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

BUDDY TRAINING

Monday 1st June

\$4 moving into \$5
\$5 moving into \$6

Periods 3 – 4
(11.05am – 12.55pm)

Meet in the 1st floor gym

Staff Update

We have advertised the Technical, Science and Maths Teacher posts and will share the adverts on our Facebook page.

Please share this as widely as you can.

We are also pleased to share that we will be welcoming Charlotte Greig (Social Subjects Teacher) and Lisa Hamilton Bryce (English Teacher) to CGS at the start of the new academic year in August.

We look forward to them joining our school community and supporting our young people in their learning.





Last week, pupils were invited to sign up for an exciting graphic novel workshop organised by Campbeltown Library. Due to the high level of interest, pupils attended in two separate groups and thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

The workshop was led by Adam Murphy, originally from Stirling and now living on Gigha. Adam is best known for his successful Corpse Talks series and shared his experience of creating and publishing graphic novels with the pupils.

Throughout the session, Adam guided pupils through the process of developing an idea into a graphic novel. Together, they created a short comic storyboard before pupils had the chance to use their own imaginations to design and create original pieces of work. Pupils also enjoyed asking Adam questions about his career, the creative industry, and his favourite aspects of the job.

Our pupils did us proud with their enthusiasm, creativity, and engagement throughout the workshop.

A huge thank you to Adam for taking the time to work with our pupils, and to the staff at Campbeltown Library for helping to make this fantastic opportunity possible.

We are also looking for pupils to join a new working group in partnership with the library. This is an exciting opportunity for pupils to share their expertise and opinions on the kinds of graphic novels and manga young people would like to see available, helping to shape and develop the library's collection for other readers in the community. Any pupils who are interested should speak to the English department for more information.



GREAT NEWS!

We are delighted to advise that parentsportal.scot is now live.

Parents/carers will be able to use parentsportal.scot to

- Read pupil reports.
- Authorise permission slips
- Report pupil absences

Further services will be added in the future, such as the annual data check.

What do I need to do?

In previously issued communication to you, we have asked you to sign up for mygovscot myaccount. mygovscot myaccount is the simple and secure sign-in service for accessing online public services in Scotland such as Parentsportal. You can sign up at mygovscot.org

You will be able to use your mygovscot myaccount to enter the parentsportal.scot and link to your child or children.

Where can I find more information?

For more information visit parentsportal.scot. More information can be found on the Argyll and Bute Council website at <https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/parentsportal>

The privacy notice for parentsportal.scot is also available on our school website [Privacy-Notice-Parents-Portal-v0.1.pdf](#)

If you have any questions or need help linking pupils to your mygovscot myaccount, please contact the school office.

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up.



Pupils from across the school recently took part in the Rotary Young Writer competition, organised by Campbeltown Rotary Club. Open to young people up to the age of 18, this year's theme was "Happiness in Nature", which pupils interpreted in a variety of imaginative and thoughtful ways. Entries included exciting stories about outdoor adventures and wildlife, alongside reflective and creative poetry.

All submissions were judged anonymously, and the judges commented on how much they enjoyed reading the entries and how difficult it was to choose the winners due to the high standard of work.

Congratulations to our two runners-up, Abigail McAllister and Audrey Davies, and to overall winner Leah McIvor.

Marion Willet and Gail Edwards from Campbeltown Rotary Club visited the school to celebrate the pupils' achievements, present certificates to all participants, and award prizes to the winners.

Well done to all pupils who took part, and thank you to Campbeltown Rotary Club for providing this wonderful opportunity for our young writers.



★ The winning entry ★

One bright and sunny day there was a ladybird called Bob and he had a best friend called Jimmy but Jimmy was really sad because he had 1 spot and Bob had 6. It was Jimmy's birthday so Bob decided to do something special. He wondered how to give Jimmy more spots. He decided to ask his other friend Greg the worm. He slowly scuttled over to Greg who was just coming out of the ground and was slithering around the grass. He asked Greg "how do you think I could give Jimmy more spots?"

Greg thought for a minute and then said "maybe you should find something black and paint them on."

Bob cried "that's an amazing idea, thank you, great," and excitedly scuttled away.

Back at the tree where he lived, Jimmy was walking around looking for Bob but he couldn't find him anywhere. Jimmy was hoping they could do something for his birthday. He flew up but still didn't see him. Jimmy sadly flew back home thinking that Bob had forgotten it was his birthday.

Meanwhile Bob was walking around looking for something black. He was having no luck when he saw a can of paint! Bob quickly ran over and quickly but carefully climbed up the can. Unfortunately the paint was white, not black like he needed. Sadly he flew down thinking that he wouldn't be able to give Jimmy a birthday present, so he started flying home when he saw a broken pen on the ground. He excitedly flew over and saw that the pen was black! He was so happy he finally had a birthday present for Jimmy, he had to go and find Jimmy and tell him to come and see it. So Bob flew off happily to find Jimmy. After a couple minutes of flying he spotted Jimmy down next to a flower pot, so he rushed down saying "Jimmy there you are! I need to show you something."

But Jimmy just said "where have you been?! I've been looking for you all day!"

Bob hadn't even realised but the sun was setting Jimmy's birthday was almost over! He had to give Jimmy his gift before the day was over so Bob said, "but I need to give you your gift!"

Jimmy looked up and said "you have a gift for me?"

"Yes!" Bob said, "but you have to follow me."

So they both flew off over to the door where the pen was. Greg the worm had left a small stick there because Bob asked him to find one.

Jimmy looked confused and said "A pen? Why would you give me this?"

Bob then said "because I want to give you more spots!"

Jimmy's face lit up as he said "you mean you're going to paint spots on my back?"

"Yes," Bob said, "turn around!"

So Bob carefully painted five perfect circles on Jimmy's back so they would finally have the same amount of spots.

Once he was finished Jimmy jumped up and said "thank you, I'm so excited I finally have more spots!"



Dates for your Diary



Buddy Training (New S5 & S6)	1 st June	11.05am - 12.55pm
Senior Phase Return	4 th June	
S2 Sailing Taster Sessions Week 2	WB 8th June	Kintyre Seasports
S6 University of the West of Scotland visit	9 th and 10 th June	Info will be issued to parents through Parentsportal
RBS and Finance Project	11 th June	
Engineering Awareness Day	12 th June	
S4 Apprenticeship Presentation	16 th June	
Careers Fair	17 th June	
RSB and Finance Project	18 th June	
Last of school before Summer holidays	1 st July	Time of closure tbc

