



# Forrester High School

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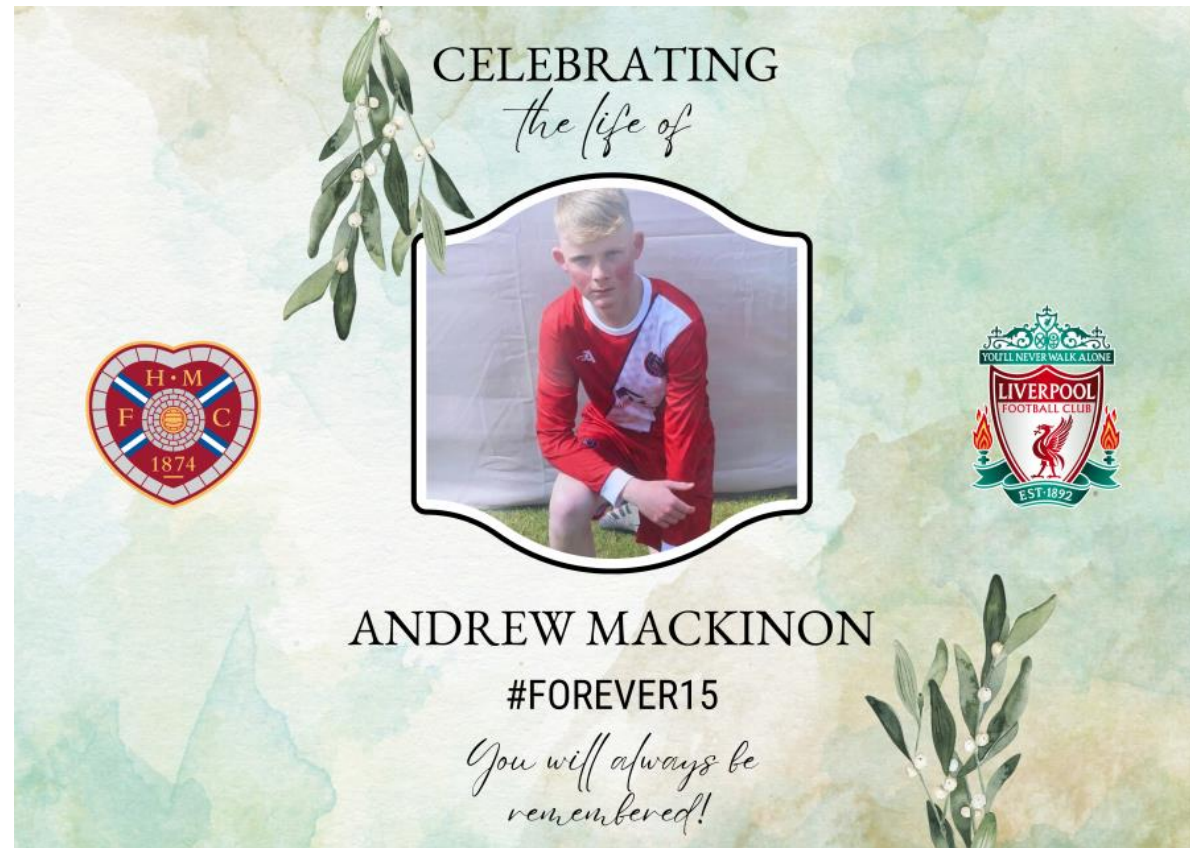
Parent and Carer Update

Issue: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Acting Head Teacher – Mr John Johnstone

# Andrew Mackinnon Memorial

Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup> March was the first year anniversary of Andrew MacKinnon's sad passing. In his memory, pupils wore blue, red or maroon to show their respects. Our wonderful staff and pupils organised a memorial service at 3pm for S5/6 pupils, and for those who were closest to Andrew. Donations were collected for the Heart Foundation. The Forrie's family celebrated Andrew's life alongside his family and close friends with the opening of a memorial bench and new Defib machine outside the astroturf. This was followed by a minute's applause.



# STAFFING INFORMATION

## Staffing Update

Amy Sale  
Appointed WELLBEING Hub  
Curriculum Lead

Caitlyn Sharpe  
Appointed Maths Teacher

Graham Mackie  
Appointed Maths Teacher

## Adverts and Interviews

CDT Teacher

Home Economics Teacher

PE Teacher

School Support Assistant X2

PSA of Enhanced Support Base



## **Education Scotland Summary Inspection Findings**

The HMIE Summary Inspection Finding will be published tomorrow. The school will be in touch with a specific plan for next steps following this outcome.

### **Attendance and Late coming**

Recent assemblies focussed on giving young people key messages and expectations on being Ready, Respectful and Responsible. Please continue to support the school by ensuring your young person is on time for school in the morning, after break and lunch. Being late to class distracts learning and teaching and creates gaps in your young person's learning.

### **Uniform**

Can I please ask parents and carers ensure their child attends school in appropriate uniform. Our biggest issue recently has been non-black trousers/joggers, jumpers or hoodies with logos, crocs and crop tops. These are not permitted so please do not send your child to school with them. We will ask them to change into one of ours and this causes unnecessary conflict. Anyone who needs help with uniform please just ask.



# City of Edinburgh Aligned Timetable Structure 2023/24

As a result of inspection and an ongoing City of Edinburgh Pathways review with the outcome set to be an aligned timetable structure across the 23 schools, we will change the school day as follows:

## Monday - Thursday

Period 1	8.30 – 9.20
Period 2	9.20 – 10.10
Period 3	10.10 – 11.00
BREAK	11.00 – 11.15
Period 4	11.15 – 12.05
Period 5	12.05 – 12.55
LUNCH	12.55 – 13.40
Period 6	13.40 – 14.30
Period 7	14.30 – 15.20

## Friday

Period 1	8.30 – 9.20
Period 2	9.20 – 10.10
Period 3	10.10 – 11.00
BREAK	11.00 – 11.15
Period 4	11.15 – 12.05
Period 5	12.05 – 12.55

This alignment of the school day with the other 22 secondary school will allow for further access to curriculum opportunities in the senior phase.

## Arrangements for end of term

Achievement Assemblies will take place throughout the course of Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup> of March. If there are any achievements, you would like to share please contact the school office. This will be a full day and we will finish at 3.35pm.

