



I hope that the term is progressing well for you and your families.

Our belated Centenary dinner was enjoyed by over 350 guests at the Kelvingrove Art Galleries and Museum on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September. The audience of staff, former pupils, former staff, parents and friends of the school enjoyed a magnificent evening. Pupils entertained our guests and we raised a considerable sum of money for the Educational Amenities Trust. Thank-you to all involved and please do look out for the special Kelvingrove feature in our December 2022 Journal.



S6 charity fundraising this month includes our dress down day and the S1-S3 Hallowe'en disco – which is a real highlight of the secondary pupil calendar.

Wishing you an enjoyable September weekend,

John Anderson  
Rector

## AGM and Parents' Conference

Thank you to all parents/carers who attended the Jordanhill School AGM and conference on Tuesday evening. Parents from Primary 1 to Secondary 6 enjoyed our parental workshops prior to the AGM. All who attended are invited to give us feedback to help us plan for next year's conference and AGM using the following [form](#).



## Donations to Educational Amenities Trust



Thank-you for your on-going monthly donations to our [Educational Amenities Trust](#). Since the beginning of term, the trust has funded several activities for our pupils in both Primary and Secondary. For example, the EA Trust has supported our Primary cooking projects, many lunchtime clubs, and has allowed our pupils to participate in Primary and Secondary competitions. With the support of the Trust, we can offer these co-curricular activities to our pupils for free or at a heavily subsidised price.

## Chromebooks

Secondary pupils are reminded to bring a fully charged Chromebook to school each day. This allows lessons to progress with minimum disruption. We ask that parents notify their child's Head of House (details on our website [here](#)) if there are concerns about charging Chromebooks at home or if there are any general pastoral concerns.



## School holidays and events

You can find our holiday dates on our website [here](#).



**September weekend:** School is closed to pupils on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September.

**October break:** We are closed to pupils on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October (in-service day) and Monday 17<sup>th</sup> to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October, with pupils returning to school on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October.

### September events:

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September                      Primary Open Evening (6.30-8.30pm)\*

### October events:

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October                              S1 Parents' Coffee Morning  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October                      S3 Parents' meeting with tutor/HoH (Virtual, 5-7.30pm)  
Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October                            S1-S3 Charity Hallowe'en Disco (7-9.30pm)

\*We will host a separate Open evening event for the children and their parents in Primary 3A and Primary 3B on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October, 5.30-7.00 pm, as per Mr Buchan's communication.

## Staffing

We say farewell to our secondary Depute Head Teacher, Ms Susan McDade. Susan has been with us for 14 years having started as Depute Head Teacher in August 2008. Susan was instrumental in boosting S6 pupil involvement in charity work, raising substantial sums of money for local charities. In addition to her leadership role, Susan continued to teach in the English department where she guided hundreds of Higher pupils to achieve excellent success in their Higher English exams.

Susan leaves us on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October and will join Education Scotland as one of His Majesty's Inspectors of Education. We are grateful for Susan's work with us and wish her well in the next chapter of her career.

We are delighted to inform you that our new secondary Depute Head Teacher (S4-S6) will be Dr Helen Kelly (currently PT Maths/Acting DHT) who was successful at competitive interview this week. Helen will start her new role after the October break.

## Kelvingrove Centenary Dinner

Thank you to everyone who helped to make our 100<sup>th</sup> (actually 102<sup>nd</sup>!) birthday a special night to remember on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September. We are extremely grateful to the local businesses, parents and friends of the school who provided raffle prizes, sponsored events, and donated money to help bring the celebration to life. Our pupils performed magnificently and the feedback from those who attended has been warm and positive.

Our December edition of the Jordanhill Journal (details for pre-order to follow soon) will feature photographs of the evening along with a few words from some of our guests who attended.

Thank you to the Jordanhill Kelvingrove organising committee and our sponsorship team for a magnificent evening.

## JORDANHILL SCHOOL

### CENTENARY DINNER

Kelvingrove Art Gallery  
17 September 2022  
7pm until midnight  
Dress code: smart



## Secondary Extra-curricular activities

Mrs lafrate has created a new catalogue to showcase our programme of extra-curricular activities. This has been shared with all pupils and can be found on the school website [here](#).



## PTA Laser Show and Family Fun Night, Friday 4th November

The PTA will be hosting this new event and are looking for around 20 volunteers to help on the night. If you can give a few hours to support this event, please contact: [grp\\_pta@jordanhill.glasgow.sch.uk](mailto:grp_pta@jordanhill.glasgow.sch.uk) Thank you for your support!

## Former Pupil Open Day

Following the Centenary Dinner, we invited all guests to attend a special Open Day on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September. Senior pupils organised tours of the school and our librarian and archivist, Joanna Donaldson, filled the assembly hall with stunning displays that provoked many happy memories for our guests. We were delighted to welcome former pupils and staff including many from across the globe to attend both the dinner and the open day. Thank you to Joanna and her team for creating such a spectacular day.

## Special Assemblies

Special assemblies were held in both Primary and Secondary to help pupils understand the life and service of Queen Elizabeth the second, and to help them make sense of the grief and sadness expressed by many across the world.

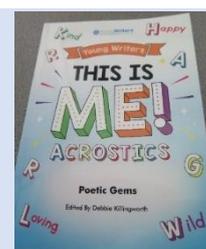


## Extra-curricular music groups

We recently wrote to all parents of pupils who participate in instrumental groups (lunchtimes and after-school) with a reminder that payment is due by the 1<sup>st</sup> of October. Parental contributions help to subsidise the cost of running these groups. If there are any queries or concerns about the payment, please get in touch with the school bursar, Ms Wendy Grant or our Director of Music, Mrs Karen Gilmour.

## Young Poets

Congratulations to many of last year's P3 pupils whose poems have been published in a new book called 'This is Me! – Acrostics'. We will feature some of the pupils' work in the December edition of the Jordanhill Journal.



## Welcome to S1 coffee morning

All S1 parents will be invited to attend our annual S1 Parents' coffee morning on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October from 11am-12.15pm. This is designed to offer parents an opportunity to give some feedback on their initial impressions of secondary and will also feature a few short presentations from staff. Please look out for the letter from Andrew Fraser, S1-S3 DHT.

## S1 Disco

Our S6 pupils organised a fantastic welcome disco for our new S1. The S6 team did an expert job selecting the music, leading the games and providing the tuck. A great time was had by all with the overwhelming highlight surely being Mrs Keogh's expert leadership of the Macarena!