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Dear Parent/Carer

SQA

The exams have got off to a good start, as ever it is reported how respectful our young people are. Please ensure you are clear on the dates and times of any exams.

Pupils

Our senior phase leavers completed their last day of learning on Friday 21 April 2023. The attitude and behaviour of these young people was commendable, and all at Speyside High School wish them well in the future.

Please remind your young person that all leavers must complete a leavers form after their last exam and fill in the school leavers questionnaire if they have not already done so.

Parent Council

Due to some changes on the Parent Council, a provisional date has been set for an EGM on Monday 15 May at 7pm in the school library. If you are interested in joining this meeting please let school know. If there is any change in these arrangements this will be shared.

S3 Exams

Last Friday, 21 April, S3 young people completed their English/Literacy assessments and will complete their Maths/Numeracy today, Friday 28 April. The reason to do this is twofold. Firstly it is another way of assessing progress and attainment levels but secondly, it gives our young people an experience of exams prior to them doing Prelims and Final Exams next year.

S3 National Standardised Assessments

Young people in S3 who were absent when assessments took place last term will complete these next Thursday and Friday

IDL

All BGE pupils have met to discuss their IDL project – this is a very exciting activity and we look forward to it being a great success. IDL week will run Monday 15 May until Friday 19 May 2023.

Junior Ranger Programme 2023

This week saw the beginning of our *Junior Ranger Programme*. Working alongside Cairngorm National Park and a whole team of local partners, twelve of our S2 students will be experiencing different activities within our rural landscapes over the coming weeks. By completing the programme, including a final presentation, the group will gain a John Muir Award and become part of the Europark partnership scheme. We'd like to thank CNPA and all our local partners for their continued support.

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Gala Street Party

I am delighted to let you know that our canteen are having a Gala Street Party during lunchtime on Thursday 4 May. Young people have been issued with information about this including the menu choices.

Active Schools

Please find details below of activities being run by Active Schools

Day	Activity	Cost	Venue	Age Group	Start Date	End Date	Time	Comment
Monday	Mixed Sport	Free	Speyside Community Centre	P4-S1	15 May	19 June	16:00-16:45	No session 5 June
Monday	Basketball	Free	Speyside Community Centre	P4-S1	15 May	19 June	16:45-17:30	No session 5 June

Cluster Session Sign-up: <https://form.jotform.com/221083518242348>

Please also see attached information regarding Bowling at Aberlour and Dufftown Bowling Clubs.

Outfit Moray

Outfit Moray have a few activities programmed for the upcoming May bank holiday and in-service days, including a family coasteering activity, as follows:

- 1 May: Coasteering <https://buytickets.at/outfitmoray/904260>
- 1 May: Coasteering (families) <https://buytickets.at/outfitmoray/904261>
- 11 May: Kayaking <https://buytickets.at/outfitmoray/904265>
- 12 May: Paddleboarding <https://buytickets.at/outfitmoray/904264>
- 12 May: Crate climbing & archery <https://buytickets.at/outfitmoray/904792>

Yours faithfully

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