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Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the last week of term, I hope you are keeping well and looking forward to the festive break.

Christmas Parties

Tuesday was a busy day of partying at Speyside with the Junior Party in the afternoon and the Senior Party in the evening. Award winning DJ, Paul T, ensured that the young people had a wonderful time with a varied playlist and the opportunity to join in the with the ceilidh dances they have been learning in PE. Young people enjoyed taking photos with friends at the photo wall supplied by Pretty Parties by Iveta (you may spot a Grinch in some of the party photos!) and both parties were served with a fine spread of party food. It was a real pleasure to see our young people having such fun at a school event.

Christmas Concert

It's the final few days to purchase tickets for our Christmas Concert which will take place in school on Tuesday 19 December 2023 at 7pm. Tickets can be purchased from the school office at a cost of £3 per Adult, £2 Concession and £8 Family. We look forward to seeing you all then.

YPI

Young people in S3 have been working extremely hard over the last two terms on their YPI project to create a presentation to try to win £3,000 for their chosen local charity. The winners this year were young people in 3R who created an emotive presentation in support of the charity Rrrrallye.

This Keith based charity was established in 2008 in memory of Stuart Harper who tragically died as a result of a road traffic collision in which he was a passenger in May 2008. The aim of the charity is to promote road awareness for youths so they return home safely. The charity works with those aged 14 - 17 years through the **Rrrrallye Youth Drive** experience which helps influence their behaviour towards driving and gives them a taste of the driving skills required.



Photo: Judge Kylan passes on the cheque for £3000 to Linda Harper from Rrrrallye and the winning YPI Team

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Mobile Phones

Please can I remind everyone that no-one should be using their mobile phones in classrooms unless directed to by a teacher. If a teacher requests a young person to hand over their phone due to inappropriate use, this will be passed to the office where it will be kept safely until the end of the day for the young person to collect.

School Uniform

At Speyside High School, we are really keen in developing our pride in being part of our school community and one of the ways of doing this is to wear our uniform with pride.

- 1. White shirt with school tie and black jumper/cardigan/sweatshirt; black jumper or hoodie with school logo OR
- 2. Polo shirt **not a round neck t-shirt** with black jumper/cardigan/sweatshirt; black jumper or hoodie with school logo

AND

Option 1 or 2 along with: black trousers **not joggers or leggings**/skirt/shorts **and** sensible footwear **preferably plain** black.

Please note that a **plain** (with no other logo) black jumper, sweatshirt or hoodie is also perfectly acceptable as uniform. A jumper or hoodie with the Speyside High School logo does not have to be worn. Any smart black trousers are acceptable, but joggers and sports leggings should not be worn unless for PE, and then they should be changed for uniform trousers.

No Waste Wardrobe

The Speyside High School **No Waste Wardrobe** has launched, where young people and families can access, free of charge, high-quality uniform clothing items and sports clothing. Young people can make an appointment to access this resource during the school day with Sarah Thornhill, Inclusion Project Officer, in the schools Hub or via the school phone number 01340 871522, or families can access it through the Community reception during the evening and on Saturdays.

Please consider donating any good quality school clothing which is no longer required which will help support reducing clothing waste in our school community.

Yours faithfully

Mrs P Goodbrand Head Teacher













