

Learning Together

Working Together

Succeeding Together



**KNIGHTSWOOD
SECONDARY
SCHOOL**



OUR SCHOOL CHARTER

BE KIND

GIVE OUR BEST

BE HONEST

RESPECT OTHERS

BE RESPONSIBLE

INCLUDE EVERYONE



**RANGERS
CHARITY
FOUNDATION**



Respect Friendship Honesty Empowerment Happiness



ECO SCHOOLS GREEN FLAG

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RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOL**



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the new session. We are delighted to have welcomed our S1 young people who have impressed us both within the classroom and how quickly they are learning to navigate the building. We have also welcomed the young people who have joined us in various year groups for our Musical Theatre and Dance courses.

There are lots of exciting things planned for this session – clubs, trips, both in Scotland and abroad, as well as Dance and Musical Theatre Shows and details of these will be available throughout the session.



Your young person sees their Pastoral Care Teacher twice a week in Personal and Social Education and they know your young person really well. If you have any questions then their Pastoral Care Teacher is ideally placed to answer these and should always be your first point of contact with the school.

S1 Parents / Carers will have the opportunity to meet with Pastoral Care staff at an informal meet and greet on the 16th September 2025 in the Hive between 3.45pm and 4.30pm. We hope you are able to pop in for a cup of tea and a chat.

Arran – Ms DiRollo
Harris – Mrs. Schimmel
Skye – Mr. Shields

Bute – Mr. Deveney
Islay – Mrs. Adams
Tiree – Mrs. Gray



Parents evenings Session 2025– 26

It is always great to at our very well attended Parents / Carers Evening and look forward to meeting with all parents / carers this session.

Term	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5-6
Aug – Oct	Meeting your PT PC 16 th September 2024 3.45pm – 4.30pm		Interim report issued		Interim report issued
Oct – Dec	Parent / Carer 19 ^h November 2025 4.00pm – 6.30pm	Interim Report Issued S2 & S4-5 Pathways Information Evening 21 st January 2026 4.30pm – 5.30pm	Full report issued S3 Exams	Full report issued S2 & S4-5 Pathways Information Evening 21 st January 2026 4.30pm – 5.30pm Prelims 4 th – 17 th December 2025	Full report issued S2 & S4-5 Pathways Information Evening 21 st January 2026 4.30pm – 5.30pm Prelims 4 th – 17 th December 2025
Jan – Mar	Interim report issued	Full report issued Parent / Carer Evening 24 th March 2026 4.00pm – 6.30pm		Interim Report issued Parent / Carer Evening 4 ^h February 2026 4.00pm – 6.30pm	Interim Report issued Parent / Carer Evening 27 th January 2026 4.00pm – 6.30pm
Apr - Jun	Full report issued		Parent / Carer Evening 6 th May 2026 4.00pm – 6.30pm		

Supporting Exam Success and prelim dates.

We have an Exam Success workshop for Parents / Carers planned for the **16th September 2025, 4.30pm – 5.30pm** where staff will share information about how you can support your young people as they prepare for SQA exams.

Our prelim diet this year will run from **4th December – 17th December 2025 inclusive**. The schedule for this will be shared following the October break.



P6-7 Open Evening



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Knightswood Secondary School Open Evening

Tuesday 16th September 2025

4.30pm to 5.30pm

We are delighted to extend an invite to all S1, P6 and 7 parents and pupils.



RESPECT

EMPOWERMENT

HAPPINESS FRIENDSHIP

HONESTY

Supported Study

Our programme of Supported Study currently being planned and will start after the October break. Details will be emailed directly to young people via Glow and shared with Parent / Carers via Groupcall.

Please encourage any young person in S4-6 to attend these sessions.



School Dress Code

It has been great to see our young people. Our school uniform promotes a real sense of school identity, shared values, self-confidence and a shared sense of community. Please ensure that your young person adheres to our dress code at all times. We do understand that this might be a struggle for some families and we have lots of school uniform available to support with this. Please contact your young person's Pastoral Care teacher who will be happy to support.

The school uniform is:

- School blazer
- White shirt / polo shirt
- School tie
- Black trousers (plain black shorts – not branded or cycling – can be worn along with white shirt or white polo shirt in warm weather)
- Black skirt
- Appropriate school footwear

Young people in the Dance School of Scotland should either wear the uniform outlined above or Dance School T-shirt and tracksuit

The school tie is available from the school office and the blazer supplier visits the school on an annual basis. The school office can advise on how to obtain a blazer out with this time.

PE Kit



It is important that pupils come prepared to learn and for PE this requires appropriate clothing. All jewellery should be removed. Pupils who are not participating in PE must have a note or a medical certificate. Pupils who are unable to participate in practical PE should still bring their kit to allow them to assist in the lesson by refereeing, keeping scores or assisting with the distribution of equipment. This ensures that they are still able to take part in some way in the work of the class and do not miss out on the knowledge and understanding of the course.

Young people must bring a change of top and bottoms every day that they have PE. Again, we have lots of spare kit which can be borrowed – this is laundered on a daily basis so that it is always clean on issue - or given to young people. Please speak to your young person's Pastoral Care Teacher if this support would be of benefit.

There are forms of dress that are unacceptable in school, such as items of clothing which:

- Potentially encourage factions (such as football colours)
- Could cause offence (such as anti-religious symbolism or political slogans)
- Could cause health and safety difficulties (such as loose-fitting clothing, jewellery)
- Could cause damage to flooring
- Carry advertising particularly for alcohol or tobacco
- Could be used to inflict damage on other pupils
- Crocs / sliders

Behaviour in the community

Almost all of our young people behave extremely well and are ambassadors for our school in the local community. However from time to time we receive complaints about the behaviour of a small minority of our young people at lunchtime and at the end of the school day. These have included littering as well as throwing objects at vehicles and disrespectful behaviour on public transport. We continually re-enforcing the responsibilities of our young people when they are out in the community through assemblies and PSE lessons.

Our Campus Officer leads our S2-3 young people on twice weekly litter picks ensuring that we are playing our part in keeping our community tidy.



Parking

Local residents have been in touch regarding parking outside of our school. If you are dropping off or picking up your young person can you please ensure that you are parked safely. Please do not block the entrance to the flats opposite the school or indeed park in their private parking area. Also, can you refrain from double parking. I do appreciate that this might mean you have to drop your young person slightly back from the school gate but this will ensure their safety and the safety of others. Your cooperation will ensure the safety of all members of our school community.



• Parent / Carer Council

We are looking for new members to join our Parent / Carer Council. This is open to all parents / carers who have young people in Knightswood Secondary School. Our first meeting of the session will take place in the School Library on Thursday, 2nd October 2025 at 6.00pm in the Library.

What is the role of the Parent Council?

The Parent Council helps to create an environment where all parents know that their views matter, and where they feel confident and comfortable putting them forward. They work on behalf of all parents to discuss educational matters that are of importance to all. They do not get involved in individual circumstances relating to children or staff in the school.

Thank you again for your continued support



School Improvement – our focus this session is on the following

LEARNING TOGETHER WORKING TOGETHER SUCCEEDING TOGETHER

Knightswood Secondary School SIP Summary Session 2025- 26

Grand Challenge <i>To provide an inclusive education meeting the needs of all learners</i>
Mission 1: Improve attendance of a targeted group of young people
Mission 2: Fully embed our Promoting Positive Behaviour and Equality Policy in the life of the school
Grand Challenge <i>All young people experience high quality learning, teaching & assessment</i>
Mission 1: To fully embed our Learning & Teaching policy in all classrooms in our school providing a consistent experience for all young people
Mission 2: To develop curriculum to provide challenge
Grand Challenge <i>Raising attainment and achievement for all learners</i>
Mission 1: increase attainment in Literacy & Numeracy in the BGE and refine approaches to tracking attainment
Mission 2: Increase attainment in Senior Phase



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PEF Spend- this is our planned spend – come along to the Parent / Carer Council to hear more about this.

2025 – 26 Assuming Allocation £230300	
Rangers Hub Officer	£20000
Home School Support Worker	£12000
Developing the Young Workforce Co-od	£21000
Campus Officer	£20000
FARE	£80000
DRC Beauty	£12000
Towards Better Futures course	£10000
Other spends Duke of Edinburgh, Blairvadoch, Pinkston, S1 Team Building Days, uniform	TBC

Clubs – there is lots going on – please encourage your young person to join in!

	MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		
	Lunchtime	After School	Lunchtime	After School	Lunchtime	After School	Lunchtime	After School	Lunchtime	After School	
PITCH					S1 FOOTBALL Mr Comerford	S1-3 RUGBY GHK Rugby Club	S2/3 FOOTBALL Mr Comerford	S1-5 FAREBEARS FOOTBALL Mark King/ Claire Connolly			Learning Together
GAMES HALL			S1-3 BASKETBALL Ms Dignan	S1-4 Rising Stars Glasgow Uni Coaches	S1-3 NETBALL Miss McGowan		S1-5 FAREBEARS BADMINTON and PICKLEBALL Mollie / Evie				Working Together
GYM 3							S1-6 TENNIS Mr Beaton	S1/2 Dance Miss Bell /Miss Scott			Succeeding Together
FITNESS SUITE	S1-6 GIRLS FITNESS Keep Fit Studios						S1-3 FITNESS Mr Burrell				

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	S1-6 EAL CLUB Ms Morgan Language Corridor		S1-6 EAL CLUB Ms Morgan Language Corridor		S1-6 EAL CLUB Ms Morgan Language Corridor		S1-6 EAL CLUB Ms Morgan F09		S1-6 EAL CLUB Ms Morgan F20		Learning Together
	S1-6 Orchestra CLUB Mr Barnett Assembly Hall	S1-6 Drama Club Miss McLean Drama Studios	S1 Stem Club Miss Myers S09		S1-56 TAYLOR SWIFT ART CLUB Miss Nutt S13		S1/2 Science/Stem Club Miss Williams/Miss Ali G22/F18	S1-6 Film Club Mr Airdrie Drama Studios	S1-6 EAL CLUB Mrs Murray F20		Working Together
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	S1-6 Video Game Club Mr Williams F10	S1-6 Tabletop Club Mr Galloway Library			S1-6 Debate Club Mr Airdrie F23		S1-6 Garden and Mural Club Miss Gallagher S11		S1-6 EAL Youth Group Ms Gallagher S11		

SQA Results

We were delighted with the results our young people achieved in their SQA exams.
Some of the highlights

22 S5 young people achieved 5 Highers including 4 young people with 5As and 4 4A + B

51 S4 young people achieved 7 N5 Awards including 8 with 7As and 9 with 6A + B

Our results show an improvement when compared to 2019 – pre Covid. If you would like to hear more about our SQ success then please come along to the Parent Council meeting.

S4	2025	2019
Level 5 (N5)		
1	83	77
2	68	62
3	61	53
4	53	43
5	43	35
6	37	25
7	23	11

S5	2025	2019
Level 6 (H)		
1	57	48
2	40	33
3	31	23
4	19	12
5	12	5

S6	2025	2019
Level 6(H)		
1	64	48
2	49	33
3	39	23
4	32	12
5	24	5

