



Whole School

Madras College Burns Supper, Wednesday 5th February – A limited number of tickets are available for this event. Ticket includes haggis, neeps & tatties, shortbread & cranachan tarts along with our other national drink for the toasts. The evening provides an opportunity to experience the amazing talents Madras College pupils have to offer: witty speeches, recitations, singing, highland dancing and of course our very own pipe band. Tickets cost £5.00 and £15.00 (for a family ticket of 2 adults & 2 children) and will be available to purchase from the school office. All staff, pupils and their families are warmly invited.

Matilda Theatre Trip – All deposits for the Matilda trip should be paid by this Friday or you risk forfeiting your place. If you are unsure about whether or not you have a place, please see Mrs Kennedy in F051

Drama Visiting Assessors, Thursday 30th January – On Thursday, we will welcome a number of visitors from SQA, as we host the N5 Visiting Assessors Standardisation event for Drama. Drama Visiting Assessors, and the SQA qualifications team, will be in school for the whole day for the training event. We are delighted that some of our S4 Drama pupils have been selected to take part in this event as it is an excellent opportunity for feedback and moderation ahead of their final practical exam.

Active Schools Extra Curricular sessions – All our Extra Curricular sessions have returned for the term, including lunchtime clubs. These sessions are **open to all pupils** and are **free of charge** - pop along and give something a go. See Madison in F016 for further info or check our weekly Clubs and Activities News or OneLAN screens. You can use the new late bus service (see below) if attending sessions after school.

School Nursing Health Hub – The NHS Fife School Nursing Team will be in school every Tuesday, offering a self referral drop in service in G016 (the meeting room next to Mr Currie's office), from 2pm-4pm. Just complete a referral form and post it in the box in reception.

Late Bus Service M17

Stagecoach are running a new commercial extra curricular bus service, serving Guardbridge – Leuchars – Tayport – Newport – Wormit areas, will be running on a trial basis from 6th January to 4th July 2025. Pupils should use their NEC / Young Scot Card (with free bus travel enabled) or pay to use the service. Departure times from school (Bus Stance 1) are as follows: Fridays - 14.10; Mon / Wed - 16.00; Tues / Thurs - 17.00

Parents / Carers

Parents Portal – Provides easy access to a range of online services including our Annual Data Check, timetables, attendance and school reports. Please make sure you've signed up.

iPayimpact, Fusion App and Online ordering – iPayimpact is a secure way to pay for school meals. The Fusion Mobile app links to the iPayimpact account, allowing food pre-orders and balance checking.

Raising Funds – Raise funds, for school, "easy-fundraising" when shopping online: [further info here](#)

S1 / S2 / S3

S3 Paris Trip – There will be a meeting for the S3 Paris Trip on Monday 27th January in the Assembly Hall starting at 13.20 prompt.

S4 / S5 / S6

S5 Opportunity: Sutton Trust Summer Schools – Spend a week at one of our 12 partner universities attending lectures, living in a dorm, networking with professors and administrators, and immersing yourself in university life. The Summer Schools are completely free so you can get to know your chosen university. You also get the chance to gain insight into different university subjects, be given support with your application to university, including personal statement guidance and general application support, and experience student life by living in halls of residence for the week! Applications are open until midday on **Thursday 6 March 2025**. Find out more here - [Sutton Trust Summer Schools](#)

SQA Your National Qualifications – The SQA have published the Your National Qualifications guide for 2024 online. You can view or download this here - [SQA Your National Qualifications](#) Information, from the SQA, is also available on completing your coursework - [Your coursework – SQA](#)

SQA Exam Diet 2025 – Exams begin on Mon 28th April and finish on Fri 30th May. Candidates are asked to check the dates of their exams and, if there are any which occur at the same time, to contact their Guidance Teacher. The link below is the SQA page (with scheduling and study planning apps) candidates can utilise, as well as the full exam timetable - [Exam timetable and learner apps - SQA](#)

Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) – Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) is a weekly payment of £30 for eligible learners (depending on household income). Applications should be made through the Fife Council website – search for Education Maintenance Allowance or EMA. In order to receive payments, learners must meet attendance requirements detailed in the EMA letter.

Study Support

SQA Exam timetable and Learner Apps – [Exam timetable and learner apps – SQA](#)

Full Study Support schedule – <https://www.madras.fife.sch.uk/Study-Support/>

Maths Supported Study – [Supported Study Poster 2024-25.pdf \(madras.fife.sch.uk\)](#)

Dates for your diary

In-service / half term dates – School will be closed to pupils on the following dates: Wednesday 12th Feb (in-service day) and also Thursday 13th – Friday 14th Feb (holidays). Re-opening on Monday 17th Feb.

Fife Council school holidays, term and closure dates – [School Holidays, Term, and Closure Dates](#)