2nd October 2025

S1 Parent / Carer Information Evening



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PURPOSE


THANK
YOU!




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Tug of War

Teams of 10 (S1 & S2)

Teams of 8 (S3 & seniors)

Sign up sheets around the school



Time – Starts 1.30pm

Location - school field



Monday 8th September – S1

Tuesday 9th September – S2

Wednesday 10th September – S3

Thursday 11th September – Seniors













Act Green Challenge 2025-2026

Extra-Curricular Clubs…

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S1 House Captains

S6 Buddy Committee



BUDDIES

- All S1s have a 'Buddy' that we meet with every Monday morning.
- Some of our S6's look after 2-3 buddies each, so they have their own group to talk to.
- These groups help our Buddies branch out and talk to others in their year, including our S6 team. It also allows them to have someone to talk to if needed.





WHAT WE DO

Our goal is to support S1 students.

We are here to assist them with any questions they may have.

Our priority is to ensure they feel welcome and cared for.

We also aim to enhance their first year of high school by organising enjoyable activities with their Buddies.

OUR GOALS

Our aim is to provide support to S1s during their first year, as transitioning to high school can often feel overwhelming.

Having a Buddy can make it easier for S1s to navigate their way around the school and also have fun events to attend.

THE BUDDY SOCIAL







FUTURE EVENTS

We are in the works of planning the yearly Cinema Trip for our S1's and S6's.

We are planning other events for our Buddies such as Sports Days and Games Nights.

Funding for events comes from events such as the up-and-coming Buddy Social at the end of this month.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME

If you have any questions, please feel free to ask.

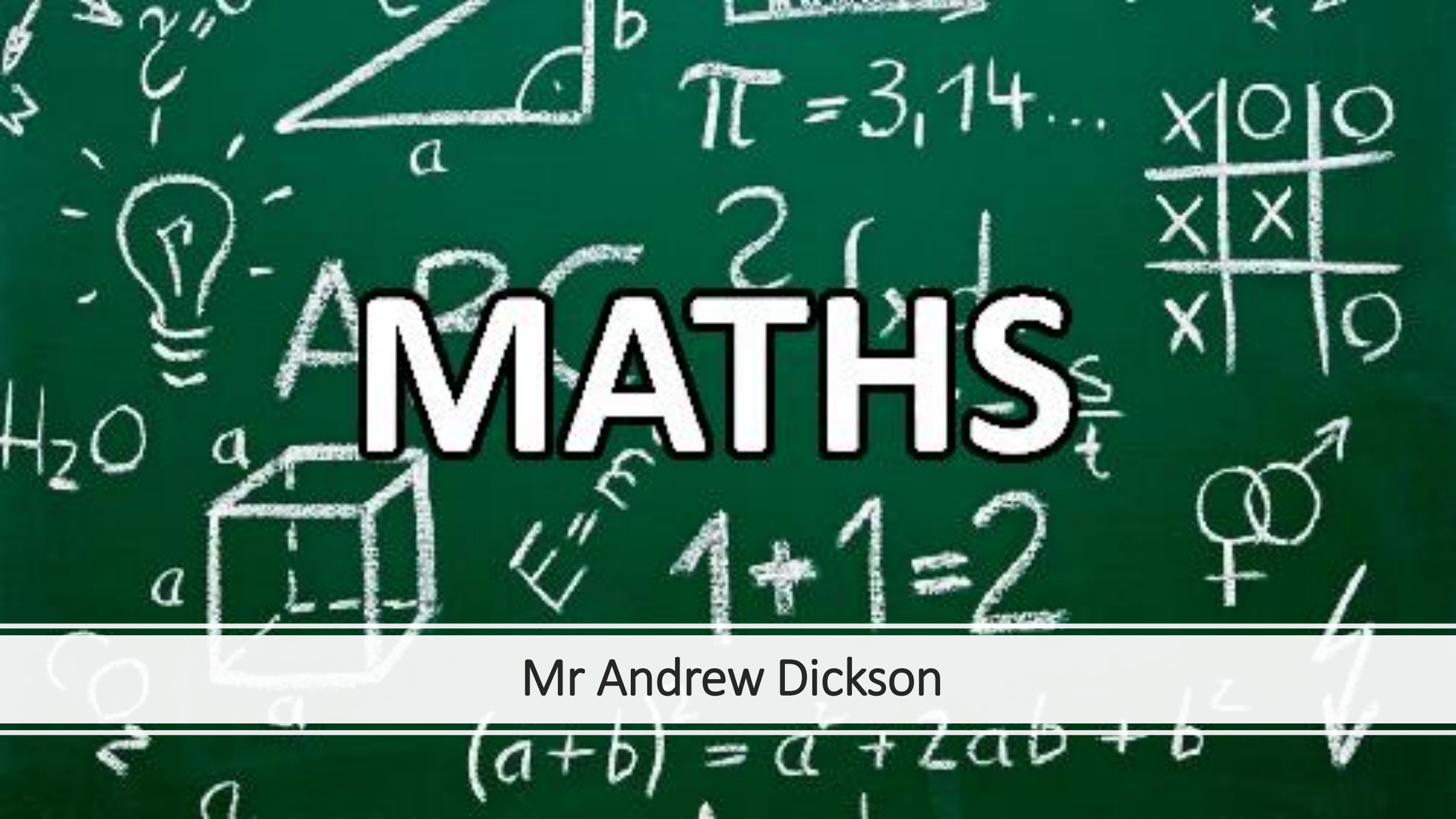
S1 Clock-off – Sleep Action







Mrs Cameron-Lyle


MATHS
Mr Andrew Dickson

Modern Languages – Miss Sarah Boufi





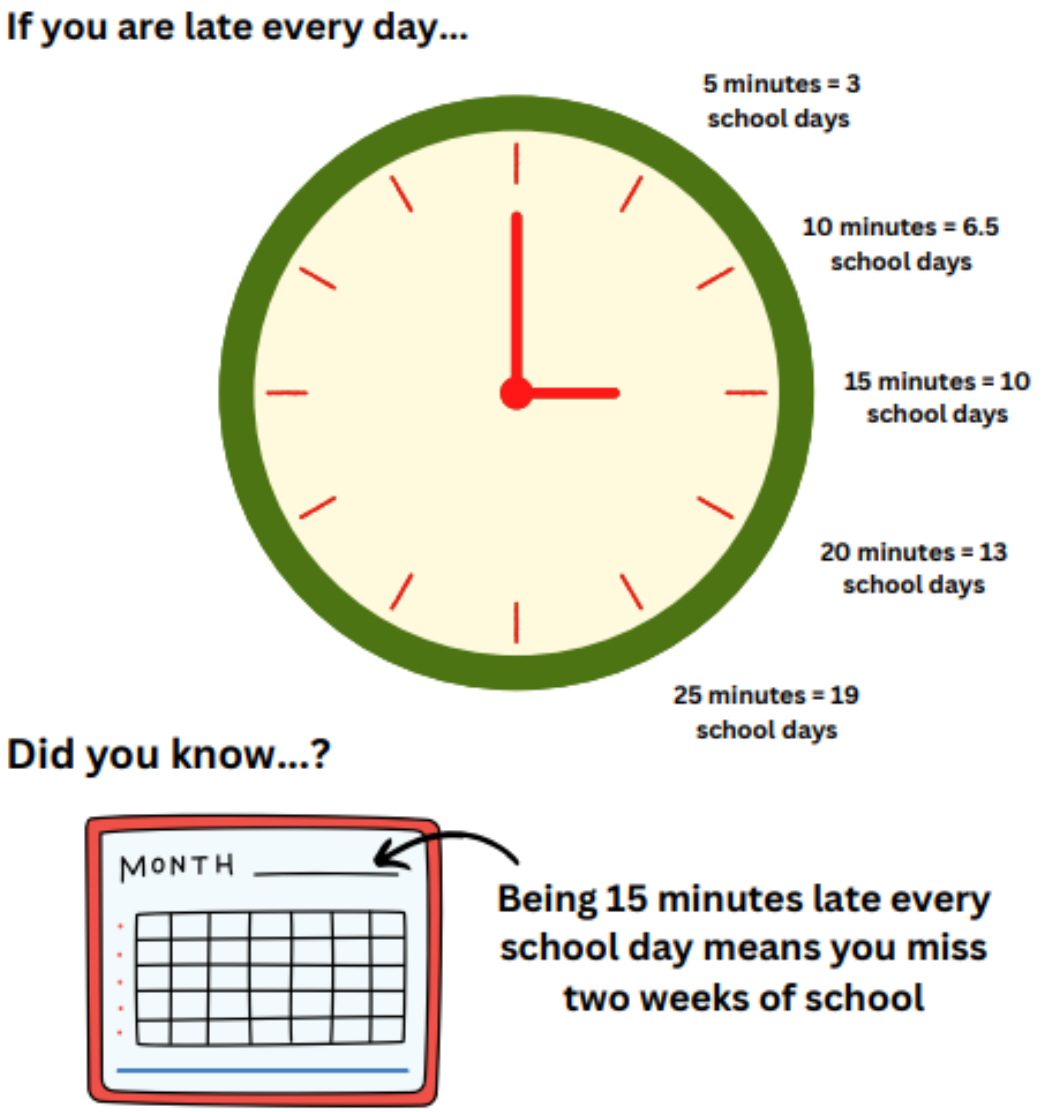




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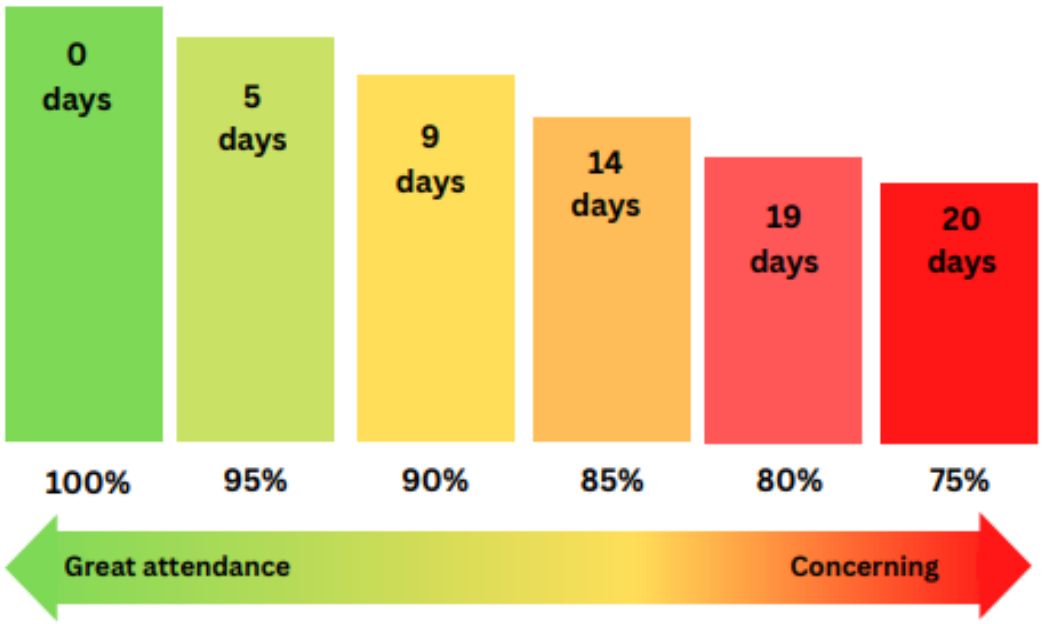
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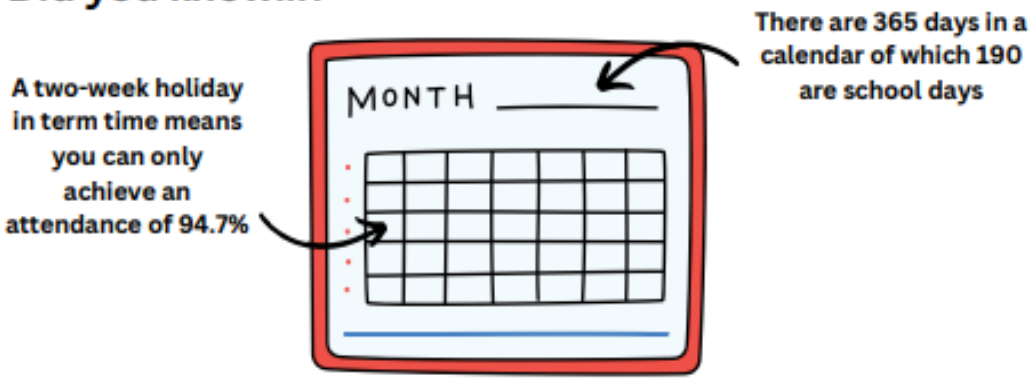


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Did you know...?



WHERE TO FIND US:

Angraflat Road,
Kelso, TD5 7NL

SCHOOL HOURS

Monday – Thursday:
8.15am – 4.30pm
Friday: 8.15am – 1.30pm

Weekends: Closed

PHONE & EMAIL

01573 227440
kelsohs@scotborders.gov

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Neurodiversity

WELCOME TO KELSO HIGH SCHOOL

We are very proud of our school and our values are at the heart of everything we do.

Throughout its long history Kelso has enjoyed a reputation for high standards in education. Our ultimate aim is to develop the full potential of all our young people. Our success stems from the way we value every young person by providing them with the knowledge, skills and confidence to meet the challenges of our ever changing world. We do this in an atmosphere which is happy, purposeful and

Report an Absence

Report a Respectful Relationship Concern

Upcoming Events

OCT 18 — 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm — **S1 Getting To Know You Evening**

OCT 26 — 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm — **Buddy Social**

Reporting an Absence: Choose your Option

Email

Email the office at kelsohs@scotborders.gov.uk with the subject line "KHS Absence" and provide the following details:

- Pupil's name
- Year group
- Reason for absence

Click the button below to create a pre-filled email, ready for you to complete the required information.

Send an Email

Telephone

Call the office on **01573 227440**.

Eduspot App



We encourage all parents to download this app so we can communicate directly to you!

Parents' Portal App

Services available on parentsportal:*



Absences



Annual Data Check



Attendance



Class Timetable



Notice Board



Permission Slips



Report Cards



Young Persons' Free Bus Travel


Ho! Ho!
Merry Christmas
Merry Christmas
Season's Greetings
Happy Holidays
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Drop-off and Pick-Up







KELSO HIGH SCHOOL

Show your #pridekhs beyond the classroom!

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Day	WHAT?	WHEN?	WHO/WHERE?
Monday	***Games Club*** *- board games galore and more*	Lunchtime	Mrs Everett - 1004
	Glee Club (S1-3 only) *– singing, dancing and lots of fun!*	1.30-2.00	Miss Ward - 2041A
Tuesday	**Strings Group**	Lunchtime	Mrs Borthwick – G013
Wednesday	***Dungeons & Dragons Club*** *- see daily bulletin for eligible year groups*	Lunchtime	Mr Charlton – 2025
	Guitar Group	Lunchtime	Mr Borthwick – G013
Thursday	**Gardening Club** *– gain a saltire award!*	Lunchtime	Ben meet at school Garden gates
	Choir	Lunchtime	Miss Riley – G013
	French Club	Lunchtime	Miss Boufi - Modern Languages
Friday	**Computing Club**: *For anything connected to computing, including game making, building robots, taking computers apart, running your own servers, how security works.*	1.20-3.30	Dr Warner's Room
		1.20 approx 3.00	Miss Riley – G013



Get involved…

Lunchtime & After-School Extra-Curricular Clubs

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Engineering Club 1.30pm **Room G022**	Dungeons & Dragons Meetings - Lunchtime **Room 2023**	Chemistry Study Session National 5 - 3.45-4.45pm **Room 1009**	French Club – Lunchtime **Room 1001**	
Biology Study S3 – S6 Lunchtime **Room 1006**	Chemistry Study Session Nat 5 & Higher – Lunchtime **Room 1009**	Chemistry Study Session Higher – 3.45 – 4.45pm **Room 1008**	Maths Help S4, S5 & S6 – 3.45-5pm **Flexi Space**	
Biology Study S3 – S6 3.45-4.45pm **Room 1003**	Craft Club Lunchtime **Room 2010**	RMPS Supported Study – 3.45-4.45pm	Computing Club 3.45-4.45pm **Room 1016**	

Lunchtime Sports Clubs

Lunchtime Sports Timetable

Day	Activity	Age	Time	Venue	Leader/s
Monday	Football	S1-2	1.30-2pm	2G	John
Tuesday	Badminton	S1-3	1.30-2pm	Games Hall	Mr Rutherford
Wednesday	Netball	S1-4	1.30-2pm	Games Hall	Mrs Cairns
	Football	S3-4	1.30-2pm	2G	John
Thursday	Pickleball	S1-6	1.30-2pm	Games Hall	Mr Gordon
Friday					

After-School Sports

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Day	Activity	Age	Time	Venue	Leader/s
Monday	Rugby	S1-2	4-5pm	3G	Murray, Mr Gordon & Emma
	Badminton	S1-6	4-5pm	Games Hall	Mr Rutherford
	Hockey	S3-6	4-5.30pm	2G	Stuart Horsburgh
Tuesday	Floorball	S1-6	4-5pm	Games Hall	Craig Girvan
Wednesday	Basketball	S1-3	4-5pm	Games Hall	Ewan Patterson
Thursday	Hockey	S1-2	4-5pm	2G	Miss Allen
Friday	Volleyball	S1-6	6-7pm	Games Hall	Zane Chetty







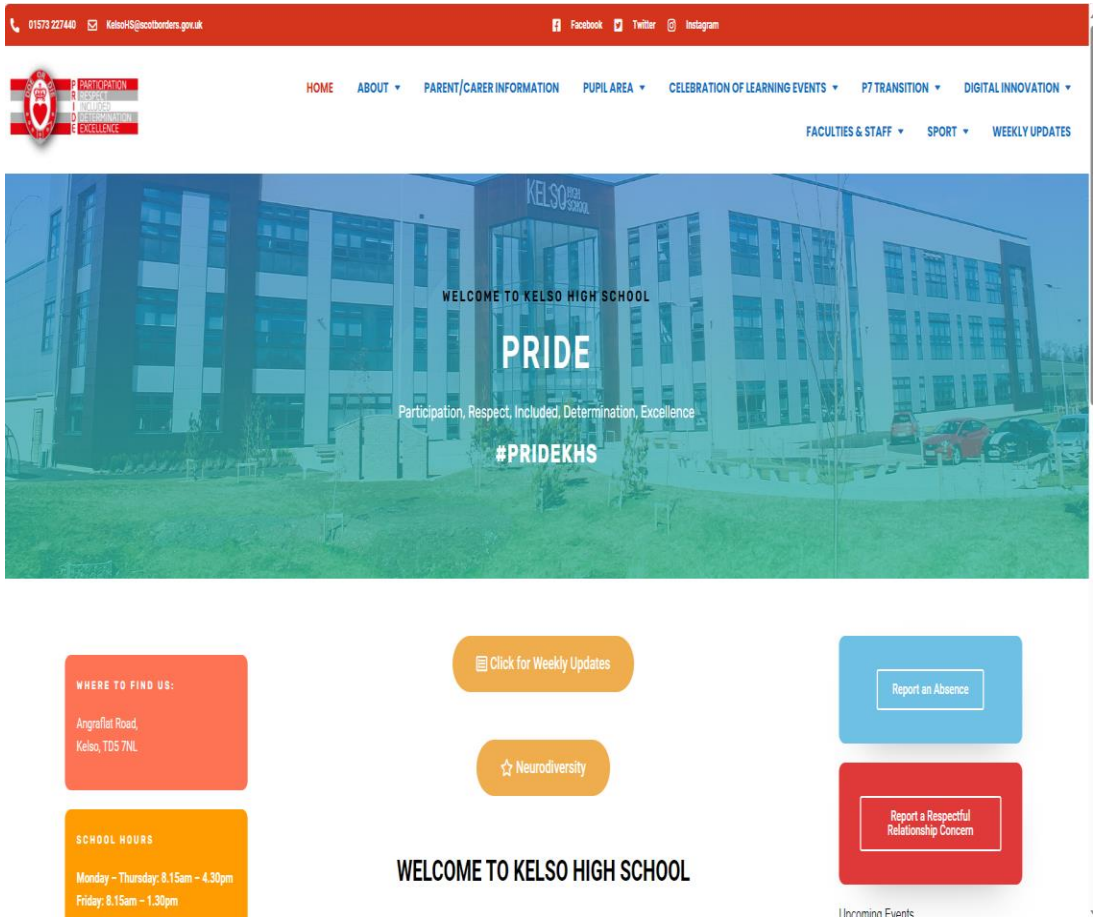


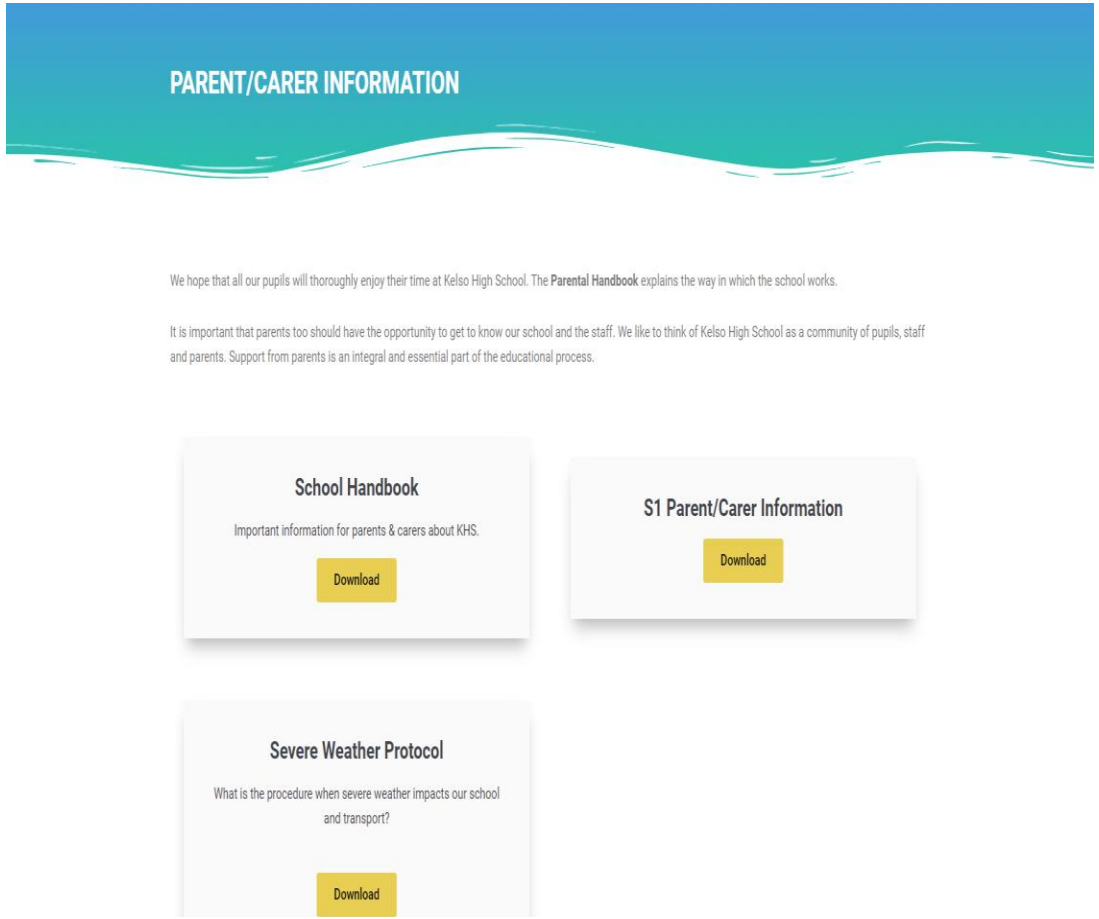
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S1 Parent / Carer Information Area - Website





S1 Modern Languages

Welcome to the Modern Languages Faculty S1 presentation. The purpose of this presentation is to tell you about what your child will learn and the skills they will develop over the course of S1 in Modern Languages and to provide some guidance on how best to support your child with their learning.



Course Structure:

- In S1, you have 2 periods of French and 1 period of German each week. You have different teachers for each language.
- In S2, this will switch: 2 periods of German and 1 period of French.







Topics Covered:

S1 French:

- Revision from Primary
  - Basic greetings; calendar; numbers; etc.
- All About Me!
  - My likes and dislikes; my family; pets; describing people.
- World Traditions and Festivals
- My Hobbies
  - Sports; ways I spend my time; online activities
- My School
  - Subjects, opinions, talking about the school day

S1 German:

- Introductions to German
  - Basic greetings; the alphabet; numbers; German culture
- Family and Pets
  - "Superpets"; colours; skills focus



Skills Developed







- Literacy Skills
  - Reading and writing strategies for Modern Languages that apply to all reading and writing in English or any other language
  - Understanding how language works
- Communication Skills
  - Confidence with speaking aloud, particularly when it feels a bit uncomfortable or strange! A very transferable and useful skill.
  - Communicating what you know: how to express your ideas accurately and clearly
- Collaborative Skills
  - Working with others, both friends and those you are less comfortable with
  - Supporting each other: asking for help from others; working kindly and sensibly with others; respecting others; helping others to understand
- Problem-Solving Skills
  - Understanding complex concepts
  - Applying known concepts to new scenarios or information

Modern Languages – Ensuring your Child is Ready to Learn

You Will Need:



- Ipad (charged!)
- Charger (just in case)
- A pen or pencil
- Your jotter or workbook
  - *These are taken home in most cases, although some teachers may keep pupil jotters in the classroom*
- A selection of stationary - e.g. a ruler, colours and glue - are helpful but not a necessity and can be provided.

Modern Languages – How to Support Your Child's Learning

- **Talk to your child to ask about what they were learning that day.**
  - This will help your child to think about their learning, helping to consolidate it and store it in their long-term memory (or at least until next lesson!).
  - Your child can also show you what they are working on on Showbie. In French, work for each lesson is uploaded so you can see what your child has completed. At intervals through the year, pieces of work will be marked by the teacher so you and your child have some feedback on classwork.
- **Homework will also be flagged on Showbie, so you can support your child to complete homework when it is issued.**
- **In French, there are also extension tasks throughout the classwork that pupils can choose to do in class or at home to challenge themselves or help them to understand and revise key information. These can be written exercises or online vocabulary games, for example. Great practice before an assessment!**
- **At regular intervals, assessments of the key skills (reading, writing, listening and speaking) will take place.**
  - The results of these and the teacher's feedback for next steps will be shared with you on Showbie through the Showbie portfolio function. Discussing these with your child can really help them to understand and improve!

S1 Modern Languages

If you require further information about our S1 Modern Language courses please contact:

Greta Scott-Larsen

gw23scottlarsengreta@glow.sch.uk





S1 Reporting & S1 Parents' Evening 2025-2026

Reporting Window 1: December 3rd 2025	Reporting Window 2: April 20th 2025	S1 Parents' Evening: Tuesday 12th May 2025	Levels achieved in Literacy and Numeracy
Progress in Learning	Ready to Learn - Arrives on time / Brings required resources /	Settles quickly to task / Phone handed in / Respectful to others	Strengths in Learning / Areas for Development in Learning - Showbie

KHS Parent Council

- **Next Meeting: Thursday 9th October 2025**





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