



December 2009

**To Parents of Pupils in Form 3**

Dear Parents

**Reports**

Your daughter will receive two reports this academic year. The first in March 2010 will be a Full Report with marks and a teacher comment for each subject. At that time students choose their GCSE subjects and we hope this will assist those decisions and feed in to discussion at the Form 3 parents' consultation evening from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm on Tuesday 9 March 2010. A Short Report will be then be issued in June following the summer examinations. Recently Form tutors have been reviewing the progress of all the pupils in their Form class. The Year Head, Mrs A McCracken, will be in contact with parents of a small number of pupils about whose progress to date we have some concerns. If you have any concerns please do contact your daughter's Form tutor through reception in the normal way.

**Governors' Annual Report**

The Governors' Annual Report is now available for all our parents. A copy can be viewed or downloaded from the School website [www.strathearn.org.uk](http://www.strathearn.org.uk) under the link 'About Strathearn' 'Board of Governors' or by contacting the School Reception.

**Parents' Association**

The Parents' Association have again much planned for the coming year and thank you to all who support their great work and who have contributed to their funds. Their dedication and your co-operation led to a cheque for an outstanding sum of £6,300 being given into Strathearn School funds and with this money we have been able to equip the new music technology room with Apple Macs and digital keyboards. This equipment will greatly enhance the musical opportunities for the girls to develop their interest and talents. Please do continue to help the school by supporting the Parents' Association.

**Access to School**

Thank you to parents who have been adhering to our request earlier this year, not to leave pupils off inside the school grounds in the morning or to park on the double yellow lines around the school gates. Please may I remind you that pupils who need special access arrangements should inform Mrs Graham.

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**Study Hall (after school use)**

For your information, pupils who wish to remain for a time after school may wait for transport home on the school premises in Room 8. However, I would like to emphasise that pupils who choose to use this facility will be unsupervised and in the interests of safety it is advisable that all pupils are collected in the evening by 5.00 pm at the latest.

**Lost Property**

A large number of items are currently accumulating in the Lost Property store (many without names) and I would therefore ask you to check with your daughter about any missing items of uniform, etc. For the girls' convenience, the Lost Property store is open each week on Tuesdays and Thursdays at break-time.

**Term Dates 2010-2011**

A detailed list of the term dates are available from the School website [www.strathearn.org.uk](http://www.strathearn.org.uk) under the link 'Parental Information' 'School Holidays'. In summary these are:

Term 1	Monday 30 August – 22 December 2010
	Half term break 25 – 29 October 2010
Term 2	Tuesday 4 January 2011 – 15 April 2011
	Half term break 21 – 25 February 2011
Term 3	Tuesday 3 May 2011 – 30 June 2011
	May Holiday 2 May 2011

**Important Dates**

- Term finishes on Friday 18 December 2009 at 12 noon.
- Next term begins on Monday 4 January 2010 at 8.45 am.
- Friday 22 January - all pupils will finish school at 12.50 pm in preparation for Open Day on Saturday 23 January 2010.
- Half term break is Monday 15 and Tuesday 16 February 2010.
- Exceptional closure – Wednesday 17 February 2010.

Lastly, may I take this opportunity on behalf of the Staff and Governors to wish you and your family a happy Christmas and a peaceful and safe new year.

Yours sincerely

D Manning  
Principal