

# Parent / Carer Update

Today's Update	Key upcoming dates
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(All) Learning and Teaching</li><li>(S1) Farm to Fork</li><li>(S5/6) Scottish Universities</li><li>(All) Orkney Family Fun Day</li></ul>	<p>Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept: Farm to Fork (S1) Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Sept: Safe Drive Stay Alive (S5) Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Sept: Safe Islander (S1) Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct: Parents' Evening (S1)</p>

## Learning and Teaching (Mr Ewing)

One of our Development Plan priorities this session is to focus upon the Learning and Teaching in classrooms. We want to ensure pupils learn effectively in lessons and have as positive an experience as possible whilst at KGS.

We would be delighted if parents / carers could help us by completing the below questionnaire. The results will allow us to establish a baseline for Learning and Teaching in KGS which will allow us to measure progress and improvement in this area as we go through this session. If parents and carers could complete the survey by Friday 13 September it would be really appreciated.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=oyzTzM4Wj0KVQTctawUZKXn5pWBQ3VpGoTmGMbyIS1hUNDg0VFhMVFVHRU1VRjIISTdERTQ2NTRLNC4u>

Questionnaires will also be completed by school staff and pupils

## Farm to Fork (S1, Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September)

Developing the Young Workforce (DYW) Orkney in partnership with The Royal Highland Education Trust (RHET) are planning a farm to fork careers insight event aimed at S1 pupils. The idea is to get pupils thinking about the way in which food is produced and the wide variety of careers within this sector at all stages, from growing and rearing livestock and crops, to selling, preparing and cooking produce. **This event will take place next Monday 2nd September at Kingstreet Halls.**

Pupils will have a chance to engage with members employed in various roles and discuss different careers such as butchery, farming, food production, cookery and land use among others. There will be interactive activities for the young people designed to give insight into the differing roles, and to help spark interest and engagement. Pupils will be encouraged to ask questions and fully explore the various careers represented at the event.

This will take place next **Monday 2nd September at:**

- 09:00 - 10:15 KGS Group 1 (S1 **Copinsay** and S1 **Fara**)
- 10:45 - 11:45 KGS Group 2 (S1 **Eynhallow**)
- 11:45 - 12:45 Stromness Academy and Junior High Schools
- 14:00 - 15:00 Quiet/Relaxed session for S1 Curriculum Support Pupils (+ S1 pupils thought would benefit from a smaller session)

KGS Group 1 will attend registration and then meet in the canteen area ready to leave by 8:50.

KGS Group 2 (1E1 and 1E2) should be released for break at 10:20 to allow plenty of time for them to get their break and will assemble promptly at the S1 canteen area so they are ready to leave by 10:40.



## Scottish Universities Online Evening Event for Parents, Guardians and Families

**Abertay University, University of Dundee, The University of Edinburgh, Heriot Watt University, Queen Margaret University, University of Stirling and University of Strathclyde** welcome all students, parents, guardians and teachers from across the Highlands, Islands and North of Scotland to our evening information event!

This session will cover information about applying to university and pathways after school, important things to consider, and representatives from each university will be online to talk about the benefits of university study and answer any questions you may have. We'll also be joined by current students from across the region who study at our institutions.

**Register [here](#)**

The session will take place on 30 October at 6.30pm and a joining link will be sent to those who have registered interest ahead of the start of the event.

Full booking link for evening event <https://app.geckoform.com/public/#/modern/21FO00ytsd2cgg00k3jcydnkbu>

We would also like to share with you the recording of the presentation we recently gave in schools which you may find useful to share with those who cannot attend the event live. You can access it on You Tube [here](#).



Scottish Universities Tour 2024

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**Scottish Universities Tour  
Virtual Evening Event**  
Wednesday 30th October, 2024  
6:30pm - 7:30pm  
For Prospective applicants, Families & Advisors

- Learn about what each of the universities have to offer
- Meet current students
- Ask questions!

Abertay University, University of Dundee, UNIVERSITY of STIRLING, Queen Margaret University, HERIOT WATT UNIVERSITY, THE UNIVERSITY of EDINBURGH, University of Strathclyde



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## ORKNEY FAMILY FUN DAY

SATURDAY  
**21 SEP**  
11AM TO 2PM

PICKAQUOY CENTRE  
**KIRKWALL**

**ALL WELCOME**

