



BOROUGHMUIR HIGH SCHOOL

Parent Council Head Teacher's Report – August 2017

Our Vision

To ensure a confident, nurturing & inclusive learning community where ALL achieve their true potential & embrace life's challenges.

Can I welcome our new S1 on-board and also welcome back our S2- S6 pupils. I hope you all had a great summer break and are looking forward to all that lies ahead in the new school year – including our entry into the new school. See piece at foot of newsletter.

Boroughmuir High School National Exams 2017 – Initial Results analysis

Below is a brief summary of some whole school attainment measures in S4, 5 & 6. Can I extend my warmest congratulations to all our pupils who sat exams and attained their target. Their commitment and hard work has paid off and given them and the school a portfolio of results to be proud of. For those who have had some disappointments, we will do our absolute best to provide them with a way to have another go and allow them to achieve their goals also.

As Head Teacher, each year I ask each Curriculum Leader (CL) to provide a comprehensive report on the quality of their department exam results. I then meet with each subject CL and their Senior Management Team link member to look at areas of strength and areas for improvement.

We are always looking at ways to improve our performance and this is a really strong focus in our quality assurance programme and process of improvement planning.

As always, I will be presenting a full report on the school's attainment to the Parent Council Curriculum sub group in November.

2017 Boroughmuir High School National Exams – Initial Results analysis

Number of Nat 5 subjects sat by S4 pupils in 2017.				
Number	2013-14	2014-15	2015 -16	2016 - 17
8	108	118	128	133
7	25	25	21	24
6	13	14	18	8
5	9	5	8	10
4	5	11	6	7
3	10	10	6	7
2	10	4	6	3
1	9	3	2	3
0	11	8	4	5
	200	198	199	200

BOROUGHMUIR - 2017 Initial Results - Percentage of the S4 roll (200 pupils) attaining awards at SCQF levels

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	City Ave
By the end of S4								
5@ level 3+				96	95	96	94	78
5@ level 4+				93	94	96	94	71
5@ level 5+				70	75	80	80	44
By the end of S5								
1@ level 6+	73	82	76	76	81	86	89	59
3@ level 6+	57	69	60	61	66	67	74	38
5@ level 6+	37	39	37	34	36	37	50 Before college results	19
By the end of S6								
1@ level 6+	71	78	84	86	84	88	93	66
3@ level 6+	58	65	73	71	70	75	75	47
5@ level 6+	45	57	64	55	59	60	64	33
1@ level 7+	26	37	41	46	38	45	53	24

Level 7: Advanced Higher A-C; Level 6: Higher at A-C; Level 5: National 5 grades 1-6;
Level 4: National 4 pass; Level 3: National 3 pass

Boroughmuir has increased or maintained level of 2016 results in 8/10 of above measures.

Figures in red indicate highest value in Edinburgh. Figures in black for 2017 are 2nd highest or equal in Edinburgh

S4- Nat 5 Highlights 2017 – (%s are taken as % of pupils in S4 year group – 200pupils)

National 5	No of pupils	2017	City ave	2016	2015	2014
5+ A-C	160	80%	44%	80%	75%	70%
8A	43	22%		18%	15%	13%
8 A-C	111	56%		58%	47%	45%

2017 Only 133 pupils were presented for 8 Nat 5s.

111 out of 133 = 83% of those presented for 8 achieved 8.

2016 Only 128 pupils were presented for 8 Nat 5s.

*114 out of 128 = **89% of those presented for 8 achieved 8 ✓**

2015 Only 118 pupils were presented for 8 Nat 5s.

94 out of 118 = 80% of those presented for 8 achieved 8.)

S5/6 - Higher / AH Highlights (%s are taken as % of pupils in S4 year group – 200pupils)

		No pupils	2017	Nearest school	City Ave	2016	2015	2014
S5 Highers	5A-C	103	52% Inc college	33%	19%	38%	36%	34%
	5A	32	17%			14%	12.50%	
	3+ A-C	149	75%	60%	38%	67%	66%	61%
Adv Highers	1AH A-C		53%	49%	24%	45%	37.50%	42%
	2AH A-C	49	26%			24%	12%	
	3AH A-C	22	11%			10%	5.50%	
	3A	12						

School calendar

We now have a new dynamic school calendar on our web-site. Please refer to it. Here is the link:-

<http://boroughmuirhighschool.org/calendar/>

School Open Afternoon/ PTA car boot Sale

On Saturday the 9th September 2- 4pm our Parent Council and PTA are running a car boot sale in the playground to raise funds for the school.

During this time, we are opening the school so that FPs and interested others can have a tour of the Viewforth building.

New School

The new school is due for completion in advance of Christmas. We are planning to move over the Christmas holidays and commence the January 2018 term in the new school. If there are changes to this we will let you know as soon as we have the revised schedule. Exact dates, dates for our exceptional closure days and further information will follow as soon as this becomes available.

Here is a link to some recent photographs (August 2017) of the new school.

<http://boroughmuirhighschool.org/the-new-school/>

David C Dempster
Head Teacher

August 2017

Recent Past Events

Tuesday 14 - Wednesday 15 August
Thursday 16 August
Tuesday 22 – Friday 25 August
Wednesday 23 August

Staff resume, In-Service days
Pupils resume
S2 visits to the Book Festival,
Parent Council Meeting

Future Events

Wednesday 30 August
Wednesday 30 August
Thursday 31 August
Monday 4 September
Tuesday 5 September
Friday 8 September
Friday 8 September
Saturday 9 September
Tuesday 12 September
Monday 18 September
Thursday 21 September
Thursday 21 September –
Saturday 30 September
Monday 25 September
Monday 25 September
Tuesday 26 September

Wednesday 27 September –
Thursday 28 September
Wednesday 4 October – Friday 6 October
Wednesday 11 October
Friday 13 October
Monday 16 October – Monday 23 October
Tuesday 24 October
Friday 27 October
Monday 4 November –
Tuesday 14 November
Thursday 9 November
Wednesday 15 November
Thursday 30 November
Thursday 7 December
Monday 11 December
Tuesday 12 December
Monday 25 December – Monday 8 January
Tuesday 9 January
Thursday 11 January – Wednesday 24 January

S3 Course Information Evening, Atrium, 18.30-19.15
S4 Course Information Evening, Atrium, 19.30-20.15
S5 Course Information Evening, Atrium, 19.00-19.45
S6 Post School Planning Evening, Atrium, 19.00-20.00
S6 Higher Education Convention, Ingliston
S1 Fresher's Fair
Advanced Higher English, Writer's Conference
Car Boot Sale, BHS Car Park, 14.00-16.00
S1 Royal Navy STEM Roadshow
September Holiday
S1 Welcome Evening, Atrium, 19.00-20.00
S6 Hong Kong Pupil Trip

European Day of Languages, Various events
S2 No Knives, Better Lives Play
Parent Council – ENGAGE Career event for pupils and
parents, Braid Hills Hotel 6.30pm
S2 Inter Disciplinary Learning Visits

S5/6 Madrid Trip
S6 Young Driver's Event, Corn Exchange
S1 Sponsored Walk
October Break, In-Service for Staff
Pupils resume
P7 Open Afternoon, Atrium, 13.30
S4 Prelims

S4-6 Skills Scotland, Ingliston
S3 Parents Evening
S1 Parents Evening
S1 Christmas Party
Christmas Concert, Central Halls, 19.00
S1 Trip to Pantomime
Christmas Break, In-service for Staff
Pupils resume
S5/6 Prelims

Future Parent Council Meeting Dates

Tuesday 19th Sep - AGM Room 1.15, 18.30-20.00
Tuesday 16 January
Wednesday 14 March
Tuesday 5 June

