



Our pupils have now been Lochside Academy pupils for 20 days and have settled-in well and the majority have quickly found the best routes around their new school. It was very exciting for staff on the first pupil day to see the building come alive with the buzz from the excited young people. Our Values of Respect, Community, Equity, Resilience, Aspiration and Responsibility have been shared to ensure we inspire a culture of excellence and achievement in all our young people.

Extra-curricular opportunities are already up and running in the school and we hope that all young people will find something which interests them to engage whether it be music, drama, sports, science, Art or debating. The activities on offer will continue to grow over the coming months.

Our Senior Football team made history when they became the first Lochside football team, playing Harlaw Academy. Unfortunately, they lost 5-2 however they won their second game against St Machar Academy 5-0. The team picture below shows off our new kits which The Sandy Wilson Family Trust have very kindly sponsored. A huge thank you must go to the Sandy Wilson Trust and the The St Fittick Rotary.



We also had four young people who participated in the first round of the Northsound 1 Energy Schools Challenge which invites pupils from sixteen secondary schools from across Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire to participate in an eight-round, quiz-style challenge to test their knowledge of the energy industry, as well as sport, history, music, movies and general facts. Hosted by various energy organisations across the city at their premises which gives pupils the opportunity to experience a business environment and engage with industry representatives by hearing about their jobs and asking questions. Our team of Abby McCabe, Erin Christie, Zoe Phillips and Callum Kemp won the first round against Portlethen Academy and compete again on