Glenlola Collegiate School

Excellence through commitment, contribution and caring



The Annual Report To Parents

By

The Board of Governors

2023/2024

The Education Reform (NI) Order 1989 Article 125 requires the Governing Body to produce an Annual Report to parents. The Board of Governors of Glenlola Collegiate

School welcomes this opportunity to advise you about our School and its achievements.

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GLENLOLA COLLEGIATE SCHOOL

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The Board of Governors met regularly during the academic year and established a set of monthly dates for business.

GLENLOLA COLLEGIATE SCHOOL

Teaching Staff: Headmaster and 74 Teachers (including part-time teachers).

Non-Teaching Staff: 32 Full-time and part-time Staff (including 2 foreign language assistants).

Glenlola Collegiate School is a controlled grammar school for girls aged 11-18 years.

ENROLMENT

The Admissions Number to Year 8 was 155 pupils. The School was over-subscribed with applications and in accordance with its criteria for admissions (published annually in the EA Booklet for Parents) all places were filled for the commencement of Term.

The total enrolment number within the DENI approved level for the Grammar Department was 1008 pupils.

The organisation of the School was as follows:-

SECTION	YEARS	ENROLMENT NUMBERS	HEAD OF SECTION
Junior School	8 – 10	468	Miss C Byrne
Middle School	11 – 12	307	Mr R Spence
Senior School	13 – 14	233	Mr M Harding

ORGANISATION

Glenlola Collegiate School was managed on behalf of the Board of Governors by the Principal Mr W E Thompson. The Senior Leadership Team of the School comprised of the Headmaster, Vice Principals, Senior Teachers, Head of Pastoral Care, Junior, Middle and Senior Schools and Timetabler.

ACADEMIC

The individual subjects continued to be the responsibility of the Heads of Department. Some related subjects, Learning for Life and Work and Cross Curricular Skills were further supervised by Co-ordinators.

CAREERS EDUCATION, INFORMATION, ADVICE AND GUIDANCE (CEIAG)

Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance covers a wide variety of activities. These range from individual interviews based on an assessment of personal attitudes and aptitudes to special careers information courses.

Careers conferences, careers events and work experience are also arranged for particular year groups. These give our girls opportunities to gain first-hand knowledge and an awareness of their prospective careers whilst also providing important links with industry and commerce.

Pupils and parents are kept informed of career opportunities, events and activities in and outside school by email and the Careers Google Classrooms. Careers information and resources are also available on the school website, in the Careers Library, on Google Classroom, and on the Careers noticeboard.

When girls enter their Middle School and Senior School years, it is necessary to make choices between certain subjects and develop their career plans. Arrangements are made for direct consultation involving parents, pupils and teachers, and the Careers Adviser, based on detailed information on the options and career requirements.

PASTORAL

The Pastoral Care Staff (Head of Pastoral Care, Deputy Head of Pastoral Care, Pastoral Assistants, Support and Welfare Officer and School Nurse) worked closely with Heads of Section, Year Heads, Form Teachers, the Learning Support Team and Subject Teachers to ensure pupils were given the best help and support to meet their needs. Our pupil Counsellor continued to support a significant number of girls in the school, in addition to the counselling provided by the Department of Education 1 day a week. We continue to make excellent use of Wellness Centre. This comprises a counselling office, Wellness Room and relaxation room. Various workshops and presentations for the pupils took place in relation to numerous health and safety concerned topics. These were provided by GCS Staff, Made for More and Thrive Academy. All Staff received training on Safeguarding and Child Protection and addressing bullying - all teaching staff have completed level 1 addressing bullying training.

PUPILS

Pupils in Year Groups 8, to 12 were divided into 6 Form classes. Year 13 pupils were placed in 6 Form classes and Year 14 into 5 Form classes.

Each Form has a Form Captain and Deputy Captain.

The pupil office bearers were: -

Pupil Leadership Team 2023 - 2024

Head Girl **Poppy Irvine**Deputy Head Girls **Ruby Fell**

Rachel Haddock Lauren Redpath Scarlett Urry

Games Captain Joy Ebbinghaus

Clanmorris House Captain
Dufferin House Captain
Hamilton House Captain
Harte House Captain
Ward House Captain
Weir House Captain
Weir House Captain
Weir Gaptain
Weir House Captain

Emma Freeman
Abbie Ferguson
Anna McCormick
Ruby Monaghan
Eileen McDowell
Lucy Crutchley

Junior School Prefect

Junior School Prefect

Junior School Prefect

Corinna Meier

Middle School Prefect Xanthe Grammaticas
Middle School Prefect Sophia Boudaoud

Chair of Student Council

Administrative Prefect

Pastoral Care Prefect

Public Relations Prefect

Chair of Eco Council

Niamh Pyper

Melissa McMahon

Kara Phillips

Xue Shek

Autumn Hawthorne

HOUSE SYSTEM

The House System offered the girls the opportunity to mix with other year groups and to participate in competitions in both sporting and non-sporting activities. Several new events were introduced this year. The House competition was hotly contested throughout the course of all 13 competitions.

The House Officials were as follows: -

HOUSE	HEAD OF HOUSE	HOUSE CAPTAIN
CLANMORRIS	Mrs J Hughes	Emma Freeman
DUFFERIN	Mr K Dorman	Abbie Ferguson
HAMILTON	Mrs S Lauder	Anna McCormick
HARTE	Mrs D Spence	Ruby Monaghan
WARD	Mrs L Boyd	Eileen McDowell
WEIR	Mrs C Patterson	Lucy Crutchley

During the year many Inter-House Competitions were held with House points awarded for both sporting and non-sporting achievements. The House System continues to flourish within the school.

This year the overall winner of the Inter-House Shield as well as the Sims Cup for General Knowledge was Clanmorris House. The Runners-Up Shield and the McMullan Cup for Choral Competition were won by Harte House. Finally, the Hunter Shield for GCSE results was won by Ward House.

Full details of the many activities involving the Houses, directly and indirectly, are to be found on the School website www.glenlolacollegaite.net

COMMUNICATIONS

Where appropriate, staff have created and joined Microsoft Teams in their respective sections and departments. SLT and the Board of Governors have now totally migrated to Teams for file sharing and viewing pertinent materials prior to and during meetings. This is performed on a variety of devices, including smart phones, Surface Pros, laptops, and iPads.

Staff members are encouraged to produce collaborative documents to facilitate information accessibility and efficiency. Typically, this is accomplished with Office 365 or G Suite products. The staff also uses the Outlook email system for day-to-day communication, although OneDrive is more widely used for file sharing.

All teaching staff use Google Classroom to communicate with pupils regarding specific subject, year group and extracurricular information.

To reduce photocopying expenses and paper consumption, all communication with parents is conducted through the SIMS Parent App. This includes all progress reports, written reports, information on tracking, and informational mailings. In addition, the SIMS Parent

App enables parents to monitor their daughter's attendance, behaviour, and achievements remotely.

The School has utilised social media channels more frequently to share our most significant events and accomplishments. Acquiring nearly 2,000 Facebook followers and 1,500 on Instagram, the increased use of these platforms has been immensely effective in enhancing the school's profile in the local community and beyond.

SECURITY OF PUPILS, STAFF AND PREMISES

The Board of Governors continues to be very mindful of the wellbeing of its pupils and staff and the need to provide secure premises. CCTV operates within the School grounds. Caretaking staff are linked in the main School via their mobile phones. Emergency procedures are followed on a regular basis. The School alarm system is fully operative and effective.

Staff lanyard – All staff wear a blue lanyard with a photographic tag that allows them to be easily identified.

Visitor's lanyard – All visitors must report to the Reception desk in the General Office where they are issued with a red Visitor's lanyard and sign the Visitor's Book. At the completion of their visit the lanyard is returned, and they sign out at the appropriate time.

CHARITY REPORT 2023-2024

Our charity fundraising began with selecting our local whole school charity to be supported for the year. Overwhelmingly, Air Ambulance NI was chosen. A charity that provides critical care in the most awful of circumstances and makes the difference between life and death.

Air Ambulance NI

Many activities were carried out during the school year. Events included the annual Year 14 extravaganza, non-uniform days, 'Red Day' where pupils incorporated the colour red into their uniform, the Year 8 disco held jointly with Bangor Grammar School and the Blue Blazers decided to organise a Charity Christmas Bingo event for Years 11-14. Great fun was had by all throughout the year and an incredible £8000 was raised. We had a whole school assembly to present Grace Williams (representative from The Air Ambulance NI) with the cheque. She was amazed by the donation and incredibly thankful for the support towards the charity.

Charlene's Project:

Charlene's Project continues to be our whole school international charity.

This year saw the return of our Christmas Craft Fair, this event raised £3593.82. Huge thanks to Mrs Harper, the Charlene's Project Committee, Non-Teaching staff, pupils, staff

and parents for supporting this event. Other events included the staff Christmas collection in lieu of presents, sports day BBQ, the New To You sale and brave members of staff running the marathon! The Big Glenlola Easter Egg Hunt also returned with pupils hunting around the school grounds for Easter Eggs!

All pupils and staff enjoyed our annual Uganda Dander in June! It was a lovely day and £4250.50 was raised. Thank you to all staff involved, particularly Mrs Johnston and Mrs Lee for organising the event.

The Houses also completed a silver collection throughout the year to provide sponsorship to 6 girls, providing them with an education in Uganda.

In total, £12,728.32 was raised in the academic year for this charity. This is an incredible testament to pupils, parents, and staff generosity.

Other Charity fundraising events:

Our annual staff coffee morning took place in October during a Staff Development Day. The proceeds from this were donated to MacMillan Support and a cheque for £277.40 was given.

The school Carol Service took place in Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church in December. The retiring offering amounted to £703.90 and was donated to the Salvation Army.

As a school, we continue to support the Samaritans Purse shoe-box appeal with 168 boxes being donated and the Poppy Appeal raised £164.44.

I would like to thank all staff involved in charity fundraising. In the academic year of 2023-2024 an amazing total of £22,050.53 was raised. Given the cost-of-living crisis, this is incredible. Each charity that receives funds is so appreciative of the help. I am indebted to everyone for their care, contribution and commitment to helping those less fortunate than ourselves.

Thank you,

Mrs B Haslam (Charity Co-Ordinator)

THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM

The Curriculum for each year group complied with the requirements of the Northern Ireland Curriculum in terms of the prescribed Areas of Study and Cross Curricular Themes, together with the lifestyle enhancing attitudes promoted by the School's own programmes designed to ensure breadth, balance, coherence and relevance in each girl's learning experiences.

The list of subjects offered was: -

GCSE

Art and Design, Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, Child Development, Digital Technology - Multimedia & Programming, Double Award Science, Drama, English Language, English Literature, French, Further Mathematics, Geography, German, Government and Politics, History, Home Economics, Learning for Life and Work, Leisure and Tourism, Mathematics, Moving Image Arts, Music, Physical Education, Physics, Religious Studies, Single Award Science, Spanish and Technology and Design.

AS and A2 Level

Art and Design, Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, English Literature, English Literature and Language, French, Geography, German, Government and Politics, Health and Social Care, History, ICT, Life and Health Sciences Single Award, Life and Health Science Double Award, Mathematics, Moving Image Arts, Music, Nutrition and Food Science, Physical Education, Physics, Psychology, Religious Studies, Sociology, Spanish, Technology and Design, and Theatre Studies.

In addition, through collaboration with SERC, BTEC Level 3 in Engineering, BTEC Level 3 in Hospitality, BTEC level 3 Sport and Exercise Science, BTEC Level 3 Children's Care, Learning and Development were offered at post-16 level; with pupils taking up the opportunity to study BTEC level 3 in Engineering, Children's Care, Learning and Development, and Sports and Exercise Science. One Glenlola pupil attended Bangor Grammar School to study A-level Computing and 4 students from other schools came to Glenlola to study A-levels in English Language/Literature and Physics.

The Curriculum was designed to ensure the spiritual, cultural, intellectual and physical development of pupils and prepare them for the opportunities and responsibilities of adult life.

The whole curriculum was extended and enriched by: -

- extra-curricular clubs and societies;
- extra-curricular classes, e.g. Introduction to British Sign Language
- sporting activities of a varied nature;

Each pupil was encouraged to strive towards the highest possible level of achievements.

KEY STAGE 3 CURRICULUM OUTLINE 2023 / 2024

Years 8, 9 and 10 pupils followed a common course comprising the following: -

	YEA	R 8	YEA	R 9	YEAF	R 10
	Periods per fortnight	Classes	Periods per fortnight	Classes	Periods per fortnight	Classes
English	7	6	6	6	5	6
Drama	-	-	1	6	1	6
Mathematics	6	6	7	6	8	6
Science	6	8	6	8	-	-
Biology	-	-	-	-	2	8
Chemistry	-	-	-	-	2	8
Physics	-	-	-	-	2	8
Technology & Design	2	8	2	8	2	8
Home Economics	2	8	2	8	2	8
Geography	3	6	4	6	3	6
History	4	6	3	6	3	6
Art & Design	2	8	2	8	2	8
Music	2	8	2	8	2	8
Physical Education	4	8	4	8	4	8
French	6	6	3	6	3	6
German	-	-	-	-	3	1
Spanish	-	-	3	5	3	5
Religious Education	2	6	2	6	2	6
Information Technology	2	6	2	6	1	6
Learning for Life & Work	1	6	1	6	1	6
Form Tutorial	1	6	-	-	-	-
Careers	-	-	-	-	1	6

A period of ICT for Year 10 pupils continues once per fortnight that rotates through 3 different topic areas throughout the year.

Year 8 LLW Topics

Citizenship

- Personal Identity
- Diversity & Ethnicity
- Racism
- Sectarianism
- Human Rights
- Human Rights Abuses
- Child Poverty and Homelessness

Employability

- Employability skills and qualities
- New technology
- Personal career planning
- Career research skills
- Work in the local and global economy
- Enterprise

Personal Development

- Resilience
- Managing Change
- Mindfulness: .breathe programme
- Friendships
- Reviewing learning

^{*}Modular Courses in Learning for Life and Work in Years 8, 9 & 10 enhanced the curriculum as follows:

Year 9 LLW Topics

Citizenship

- Exclusion
- Inclusion
- Equality
- Social Justice
- Global Poverty

Employability

- Skills and Qualities
- Working in another European country
- Environmental Issues in the Workplace
- Work in the Local and Global Economy
- Sources of Careers Information
- Introduction to Xello Careers software
- Personal Career Planning
- Entrepreneurship

Personal Development

 Childnet Online safety: Cyberbullying, Peer pressure, self-esteem, sexting Managing Influences and Making decisions

Year 10 LLW Topics

Citizenship

- Democracy
- Active Participation
- The Role of NGOs

Careers/Employability

- Pathways and Qualifications
- Skills and Qualities
- STEM Careers
- Researching Your Options
- Introduction to Unifrog
- The Careers Library
- Job Search and Personal Career Planning
- Industry Masterclass: Digital Skills

Personal Development

- Body image
- Smashed: Alcohol awareness

CONSULTATION WITH PARENTS

A Parents' Consultation afternoon was scheduled for each of the year groups. Parent consultations took place via the online School Cloud system.

In addition, parents and pupils had access to individual consultation as requested.

CAREERS EDUCATION INFORMATION ADVICE AND GUIDANCE AT KEY STAGE 3

Pupils participated in Employability modules in Years 8 and 9, and Year 10 had fortnightly careers lessons, as part of the Learning for Life and Work programme.

All KS3 pupils worked on completing a Personal Career Plan in their Personal Career Planning booklets with the support of form teachers, careers staff and parents.

All Year 10 parents and pupils received a digital GCSE Subject Choices booklet which included advice and detailed information on all subjects offered for GCSE.

Year 10 pupils attended a Careers assembly which outlined the key points to consider and gave advice to allow pupils to make the most appropriate subject choices. Each pupil also had a Careers guidance interview with a member of the Careers staff and another member of the Junior School staff to discuss and review their GCSE subject choices, ensuring that they were in line with their aptitudes and career aspirations.

Normally in June, a number of Year 10 pupils are identified, post summer examinations, for subject guidance interviews with the Head of Year, CEIAG staff and the Vice - Principal. A number of these pupils subsequently amend their subject choices; a few pupils opt to choose 1 less GCSE subject and take additional Study Skills instead, to support their other GCSE subjects.

KEY STAGE 4 CURRICULUM OUTLINE 2023/2024

Years 11 and 12 followed a programme of up to $9 / 9\frac{1}{2}$ GCSE subjects chosen at the end of Key Stage 3, based on compulsory areas of study plus two or three optional subjects (see Subject Choice booklet).

Year 12

Core Subjects	Periods per fortnight
English/English Literature OR English language only Mathematics Further Mathematics French OR German OR Spanish Religious Studies Religious Studies – short course Physical Education (non-exam)	8 8 6 2 6 6 6 5 3
Science either 3 Subjects or - 2 Subjects or - 1 Subject- from Biology, Chemistry, Physics or - Double Award Science or - Single Award Science	18 12 6 12 6
 Art & Design Business Studies Child Development Digital Technology - Multimedia Digital Technology - Programming Drama French Geography History Home Economics Learning for Life and Work Leisure and Tourism Moving Image Arts Music Physical Education Technology & Design 	66666666666666666

^{*}Further Maths is available to pupils who demonstrate ability in this subject

Year 11

Core Subjects	Periods pe fortnight
English/English Literature OR English Language only Mathematics Further Mathematics French OR German OR Spanish Religious Studies Religious Studies – short course Physical Education (non-exam)	8 8 6 2 6 6 6 4 2 2
science either - 3 Subjects or - 2 Subjects or - 1 Subject- from Biology, Chemistry, Physics or - Double Award Science or - Single Award Science	18 12 6 12 6
Optional Subjects	
 Art & Design Business Studies Child Development Digital Technology Drama French Geography Government and Politics History Home Economics Learning for Life and Work Leisure and Tourism Moving Image Arts Music Physical Education Technology & Design 	6666666666666666

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Study Methods

The "Tree of Knowledge" event, "Laugh in the Face of Exams" provided pupils with an insight into the importance of whole brain learning; emotional intelligence; the benefits of relaxation; conscious and sub-conscious thought and the effect of dreams and aspirations.

Areas which were covered included:-

- The importance of whole brain learning
- Emotional intelligence in youngsters and adults
- Benefits of relaxation
- The wonderful world of your mind and consciously and sub-consciously we think
- The effects of dreams and aspirations.

CAREERS EDUCATION INFORMATION ADVICE AND GUIDANCE AT KEY STAGE 4

This built on the programme covered in Key Stage 3 and provided a foundation for career guidance in Senior School. Year 12 pupils were able to participate in fortnightly Form-Time careers sessions, from September, delivered by CEIAG staff. These sessions covered topics such as work-life balance, stress in the workplace, CVs and interview skills.

Year 11 pupils took part in the 'Learn to Earn' programme delivered by Young Enterprise in January. In June, pupils were able to engage in class Career Planning workshops, delivered by careers staff, and completed a Personal Career Plan in their Career Planning booklets. Year 11 pupils did not have the opportunity to participate in 2 days of work experience in June due to new Education Authority restrictions in place for in-person Work Experience placements for controlled schools and the associated administrative burden.

Google Classroom was used with Employability/careers information, activities and announcements for Middle school pupils to access. These referenced resources on the NI Careers Service website, BBC Bitesize website careers section as well as information and activities on Unifrog for both Year 11 and 12.

Google Classroom was also used to inform Year 11&12 pupils of relevant careers information, virtual events/activities and virtual work experience programmes which they could participate in.

Each Year 12 pupil completed an Application for Career's Guidance online from the NI Careers Service and had an individual or small-group interview with a Careers Adviser to discuss and support her career plans. All Year 12 pupils participated in form-time careers sessions which ran fortnightly, from September to December, delivered by CEIAG staff. These sessions covered topics such as types of qualification, career planning, careers research and labour market information. Each pupil also completed a Personal Career Plan in their Career Planning booklet. Year 12 pupils participated in the 'Success Skills' event delivered by Young Enterprise in January

All Year 12 parents and pupils received a digital copy of the AS/A2 Level Subject Choice and Year 13 Entry booklet which included information on Senior School and the criteria for entry as well as information, criteria and advice on choosing AS/A2 subjects. Each pupil also had a Careers guidance interview with a member of the Careers staff and another member of the Middle School staff to discuss and review their post-16 subject choices, ensuring that they were in line with their aptitudes and career aspirations.

In August, post GCSE results, a large number of prospective Year 13 pupils and parents had a consultation with Middle or Senior School staff and CEIAG staff regarding their AS level choices. There was also a 'drop in' facility for pupils and parents which gave everyone the opportunity for advice and guidance re AS subject choice.

THE SENIOR SCHOOL CURRICULUM 2023/24

The Senior School Curriculum provides complementary, supplementary and contrasting studies and skills to fit our pupils for Higher Education and the world of work.

Every pupil followed a programme of majority and minority studies.

Majority Studies:

Year 13 pupils study a minimum of 3 'AS' level subjects, with some opting to study 4 'AS' level subjects. Pupils select from a list of subjects which are then timetabled into the following five blocks.

YEAR 13 OPTION BLOCKS 2023-24

YEAR 13

OPTION A		
Subject	Class Name	No of Pupils
Bi	а	13
En	a	6
Et	a	13
Hi	a	22
Hs	a	13
TI	a	12
Cd	а	2
Eg	a	1
Se	a	1

Subject	Class Name	No of Pupils
Et	b	16
Lh	b	12
Ma	b	15
Mi	b	
Ns	b	14
So	b	14
Sp	ь	7

OPTION C		
Subject	Class Name	No of Pupils
Gg	С	22
Hs	c	14
Mu	С	7
Ph	с	11
Po	c	12
Py	С	21

OPTION D		
Subject	Class Name	No of Pupils
Bi	d	15
Bs	d	20
Di	d	8
Ma	d	13
Pe	d	3
Ру	d	17
So	d	10
Ts	d	3

OPTION E		
Subject	Class Name	No of Pupils
Ar	е	6
Bs	e	15
Ch	е	19
Fr	e	10
Rs	e	19

Year 14 pupils as a rule continued studying 3 of their 'AS' subjects to GCE 'A' Level

YEAR 14 OPTION BLOCKS 2023-24

YEAR 14

OPTION A		
Subject	Class Name	No of Pupils
Bs	а	15
Di	a	6
En	a	15
Et	а	11
Ma	a	8
Pe	а	8
Ph	a	4
Eg	a	0
Pa	8	0
Se	а	1
Hc	8	0

OPTION B							
Subject	Class Name	No of Pupils					
Bi	b	18					
Fr	ь	13					
Hs	ь						
Dh	b	2					
So	ь	19					
TI	ь	7					

1	OPTION	С
Subjec	t Class Name	No of Pupils
Ch	С	13
Hi	c	14
Hs	c	17
Mi	c	3
Py	С	14
Sp	c	7

OPTION D						
Subject	Class Name	No of Pupils				
Ar	d					
Bi	d					
Lh	d	11				
Ma	ď	9				
Rs	d	16				
So	d	14				
Fr	d	8				

OPTION E								
Subject	Class Name	No of Pupils						
Bs	е	13 13						
Gg	e							
Mu	e	5						
Ns	е	9						
Po	е	10						
Py	e	12						
Rs	e	15						

Minority Studies:

Supervised Study Careers Study Skills

Supervised Study

At the beginning of Year 13 guidance was given on the value of Private Study and proper use of Senior School Centre facilities. Separate supervised study rooms were provided for all Year 13 and Year 14 pupils for use during their timetabled study classes.

A Study Skills module was provided for all pupils in Year 13.

Year 14 pupils took up additional positions of responsibility within school acting as Senior Officials, House Officials, Peer Supporters and Assistant Prefects.

CAREERS EDUCATION INFORMATION ADVICE AND GUIDANCE AT POST-16

Year 13

To assist girls in making informed decisions at this stage, all pupils participated in a Careers module. This covers the main options on leaving school at 18, including Employment and labour market information and Taking a Year Out, with a focus on preparation for Higher Education, as well as the preparation and follow up for Work Experience.

Careers Advisers provided a 'Signposting Leaflet' to pupils which identifies resources they can use to help answer different careers queries they may have.

Google Classroom was used to disseminate careers information, activities and announcements for Senior school pupils to access. These referenced resources on the NI Careers Service website, UCAS website and university webinars as well as information and activities on Unifrog for both Year 13 and 14. Information was also provided on Virtual Work Experience placements, which pupils were encouraged to participate in through the organisation 'Speakers for Schools' in addition to the usual Year 13 in-person work experience placements. Year 13 pupils had the opportunity to participate in 5 days of work experience in June. Pupils and parents were also kept informed of other external careers events throughout the year by email via a monthly Careers Newsletter.

Pupils also had the opportunity to be part of running a small business through the Young Enterprise Scheme and to participate in preparing for the Bar Mock Trial competition.

In June Careers workshops were held where pupils were able to sign up to UCAS and begin work on their personal statement, as well as reviewing their Work Experience placements. They were also given the opportunity to have an interview with one of the Careers Advisers.

A number of pupils and parents from Year 13 into Year 14 were invited for a consultation re A level subject choice and performance, post AS results in August, with Senior School and CEIAG staff. This resulted in pupils making changes to subjects chosen in line with A2 subject criteria and career paths.

Year 14

Girls were given guidance on applications to Higher/Further education. Pupils were given time to attend University Open Days and briefings for CAO applicants and nursing/midwifery applicants were also arranged. A careers module was provided for all pupils and delivered by CEIAG staff. Pupils and parents were kept informed of other external careers events throughout the year by the careers Google classroom and email via a monthly Careers Newsletter.

Referral interviews for pupils interested in entering employment, higher level apprenticeships or unsure of their career plans were carried out in November and December by a Careers Adviser from the NI Careers Service.

An opportunity to enhance their interview technique was provided for pupils in November as they were able to receive training on interview skills, delivered by J Irwin from Purple Patch. Pupils also participated in mock interviews facilitated by a range of local employers.

On A level results day in August careers staff were available to provide advice and guidance for pupils and parents when needed.

SPORTING ACTIVITIES

Physical Education is an integral part of our curriculum and the School provides a wide range of activities for both team and individual performers (see below).

The School aims to encourage and promote sport and physical activity throughout the Year groups. Excluding the extensive after school programme of activities, Physical Education as a discreet subject is allocated an appropriate amount of curriculum time in each Year group. It is also offered within the GCSE and AS and A2 subject options.

Facilities include a fitness suite, assembly hall, sports hall, netball courts and astro-turf hockey pitch on site. Also on site we now have an outdoor gym. Regular use is also made of facilities at the Aurora Leisure Centre, Ward Park tennis courts and the astro-turf hockey pitch and the athletics track provided by the Borough Council at Ballykillaire.

The participation of pupils in the various Sporting activities offered throughout the School year was as follows:-

WITHIN CURRICULUM		EXTRA- CURRICULAR DAY CLUB		STAFF IN CHARGE	AVAILABLE TO
Athletics		Athletics Club	Monday/Wednesday	Mrs Heasley	Years 8 - 14
Badminton	Years 11 & 12 option	Badminton club	Monday Friday	Mrs Hughes & Mrs Cousins	Years 10 - 12 Years 13 - 14
Basketball	Years 11 & 12 option				
Dance	Years 8, 9, 11	Junior Dance	Friday	Mrs Patterson	Years 8 – 10
	&12 option	Senior Dance	Tuesday	Mrs Murray	Years 11 -14
Fitness Suite	Years 10- 12				
Football		Football	Thursday	Mrs A Wynne	Years 8-12
Golf			Competitions	Mrs Heasley	Years 8 -14
Gymnastics	Years 8-10	Gymnastics Clubs	Wednesday	Miss Lough	Years 8 - 14
Hockey	Years 8-10	Hockey Clubs/Teams	Monday - Friday Mrs Heasley		Years 8 - 14
Netball	Years 8-14	Netball Club	Monday - Friday Mrs Moore		Years 8 – 14 (Sept – March)
Rounders	Years 8 - 10 Years 11 - 12			Interhouse competition	Year 8
Tag Rugby	Years 11 &12 option				
Swimming	Year 8	Swimming club	Competitions	Miss Lough	Years 8 - 14
Tennis	Years 8 - 10 Years 11 - 12 option	Tennis club	Monday and Tuesday	Mrs Chambers	Years 8 - 14 (March-June)

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES 2023/24

It was good to have our extensive extracurricular programme running again. The majority of these activities are weekly, some are every other week, and some are less frequent. Activities included the following.

Art Portfolio Enrichment

Athletics

Badminton

Bar Mock Trial

Junior Drama Club

Junior Film Club

Junior History

Junior Science

CCF(Cadets) Junior Scripture Union

Coding Club
Concert Band
Cross Country

Literacy Club
Minecraft
Pottery

Duke of Edinburgh Public Speaking

Eco-Council Senior Chamber Choir

EquestrianSenior ChoirFitnessSenior DanceFrancofestSenior DebatingFrench DebatingSenior Film Club

Golf Senior Scripture Union

Gymnastics Ski Trip

Hockey Spanish Translation

House Events Spanofest

Junior Chamber Choir String Ensemble
Junior Choir Student Council
Junior Dance Technology Club
Junior Debating Young Enterprise

SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS 2023/24

In order to continue the process of evaluation and improvement, schools were permitted to take up to five special closures for purposes of school/staff development. This year the school was closed for staff training on 21 September 2023, 25 October 2023, 3 January 2024, 18 March 2024 and 27 May 2024.

The programme for these School Development Days focussed on the key targets contained with the School Development Plan. It included work on:

- Learning and Teaching Study Skills and Retrieval Practice (based on Rosenshine's Principles, also the work of Howell and Morrison McGill) – C Larmour
- GDPR Storage of Images E Thompson
- Health and Wellbeing Wellbeing sessions including introduction of the Menopause Policy
- School promotion planning for internal and external events
- E Learning the introduction of Artificial Intelligence
- Learning and teaching survey results, review of procedures and planning for 2024-25 – C Larmour

FINANCE

Under the Scheme for Local Management of Schools, Glenlola Collegiate received a fully delegated budget of £4566794 including the carry forward of -£1083092

This funding was allocated to a large number of expense descriptions which can be divided into a number of broad categories as follows:-

Teaching Staff Costs Support Staff Costs	£3973970 £654469	87.01% 14.33%
Premises costs and recurrent supplies	£137700	3.01%
TOTAL EXPENDITURE Carry forward	£5325666 -£1645032	116.62% 36.02%

Expenditure per pupil from the delegated budget was £5283.40

SETTING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

As a school with a strong emphasis on academic achievement, Glenlola Collegiate sets the highest academic standards for each pupil based on their individual ability. This is done using standardised tests and other assessment data to ensure that each pupil works to maximise their potential. Analysis of examination outcomes show that, on average, pupils in Glenlola Collegiate outperform pupils of similar ability in other schools. Our aim is to continue to achieve these standards of excellence. Our standards are set at Corporate, Department and individual levels and progress towards these standards is closely monitored throughout the year.

The corporate aim is to sustain the very highest levels of achievement at GCE 'AS' and 'A' levels and GCSE level by setting targets which stretch, challenge and motivate our staff and pupils to give of their best and realise their full potential.

Performance Targets Summary for 2023 / 2024

Public Examination	Examination Grades and Levels to be achieved	Minimum Percentage Target
GCE 'A' level	3 grades at A – C	
GCSE	5 or more grades at A* - C	No targets set due to prior
GCSE	7 or more grades at A* - C	effects of pandemic
GCSE	7 or more grades at A* - C (including Eng and Maths)	

Key Stage 3 Performance in English and Mathematics Year 2023 / 2024

The School will publish KS3 levels on receipt of guidance which has been sought from the Department of Education.

Year 14 Targets and Performance Trends at GCE 'A' Level

GCE 'A' Level				% of pupils achieving 3 or more grades A* - C						
Year	Target Set	Target Set Performance achieved Target Set		larget Set		Larget Set		larget Set		Performance achieved
2015 - 2016	74.0	71.8	100%	99.2						
2016 - 2017	75.0	74.8	100%	100						
2017 - 2018	75.0	72.5	100%	100						
2018 - 2019	80.0	76.9	100%	99.0						
2019 - 2020	80.0	92.3	100%	100						
2020 - 2021	No target set due to pandemic	83.1	No target set due to pandemic	100						
2021 - 2022	No target set due to pandemic	78.6	No target set due to pandemic	100						
2023 - 2024	No target set due to pandemic	76.6		100						

Year 13 Performance Trends at GCE AS level (bold figures)

GCE 'AS' Level	% of pupils achieving 3 or more grades A - C	% of pupils achieving 2 or more grades A - E
Year	Performance achieved	Performance achieved
2015 - 2016	67.7	100
2016 - 2017	61.8	98.5
2017 - 2018	66.4	99.2
2018 - 2019	67.5	98.3
2019 - 2020	77.3	100
2020 - 2021	74.0	95.4
2021 - 2022	64.6	98.0
2023 - 2024	66.4	99.2

Year 12 Targets and Performance Trends at GCSE Level (bold figures)

GCSE Level		s achieving rades A* - C	% of pupils achieving 5 or more grades A* - C			
Year	Target Set	arget Set Performance achieved		Performance achieved		
2015 - 2016	93.0	94.2	98.0	98.1		
2016 - 2017	94.0	89.0	98.0	98.7		
2017 - 2018	98.7	94.2	100	98.1		
2018 - 2019	95.0	87.1	100	97.3		
2019 - 2020	96.0	96.0	100	99.3		
2020 - 2021	No target set due to pandemic	97.9	No target set due to pandemic	99.3		
2021 - 2022	No target set due to pandemic	96.6	No target set due to pandemic	97.3		
2023 - 2024	No target set due to pandemic	93.5	No target set due to pandemic	96.7		

GLENLOLA COLLEGIATE SCHOOL GCSE Examination Results Summer 2024

Number of Year 12 Pupils: 153 Overall Results

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Percentag	e entered for:		Percentage achieving Grad	des A*-C in:	
5 or more subjects	7 or more subjects		5 or more subjects	7 or more subjects	
90.3	08.0		96.7	93.5	

RESULTS BY SUBJECT												
	Number of		Percentage of Pupils Achieving Grade (Cumulative results)							% Achieving		
Subject	Pupils	A *	Α	В	C*	С	D	E	F	G	U/X	Grades A*-C
Art & Design	24	8.3	58.3	87.5	95.8	100						100
Biology	55	9.1	43.6	63.6	80	92.7	100					92.7
Business Studies	24	8.3	20.8	54.2	66.7	87.5	95.8	100				87.5
Chemistry	49	12.2	36.7	61.2	85.7	95.9	100					95.9
Child Development	41	12.2	56.1	85.4	92.7	97.6	97.6	100				97.6
Design and Technology	28	10.7	42.9	75	82.1	96.4	100					96.4
Drama	26	3.8	26.9	88.5	100							100
Double Award Science	12	8.3	25.0	50.0	79.2	95.8	100					95.8
English Language	152	7.9	48.7	84.2	97.4	99.3	100					99.3
English Literature	132	10.6	48.5	79.5	92.4	98.5	100					98.5
French	65	20	50.8	70.8	84.6	92.3	100					92.3
Geography	39	23.1	61.5	76.9	84.6	89.7	97.4	100				89.7
German	26	3.8	19.2	34.6	46.2	65.4	92.3	100				65.4
History	66	4.5	47.0	71.2	90.9	95.5	100					95.5
Home Economics	18	5.6	11.1	27.8	55.6	66.7	94.4	94.4	100			66.7
Information Technology	18	5.6	38.9	55.6	77.8	94.4	94.4	94.4	94.4	94.4	100	94.4
Leisure and Tourism	5	20.0	60.0	60.0	60.0	60.0	60.0	100				60.0
LLW	21	9.5	61.9	90.5	100							100
Moving Image	6	0	16.7	66.7	83.3	83.3	100					83.3
Mathematics	153	3.3	32.0	65.4	86.3	98.0	100					98.0
Maths (Further)	46	8.7	37.0	52.2	82.6	95.7	97.8	97.8	100			95.7
Music	12	0	16.7	33.3	75.0	83.3	100					83.3
Physics	44	11.4	43.2	81.8	100							100
Politics	14	14.3	42.9	78.6	85.7	100						100
Religious Studies	96	10.4	43.8	52.1	66.7	72.9	82.3	89.6	95.8	97.9	100	72.9
Religious Studies SC	48	29.2	58.3	75.0	85.4	93.8	95.8	100				93.8
Single Award Science	53	0	39.6	67.9	81.1	98.1	100					98.1
Spanish	51	13.7	35.3	64.7	94.1	98.0	100					98.0
Statistics	136	0	0	0	75.0	96.3	99.3	99.3	99.3	99.3	99.3	88.9
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GLENLOLA COLLEGIATE SCHOOL GCE 'A' Level Examination Results Summer 2024

Number of Year 14 Pupils: 111 Overall Results

Percentage of Pupils Achieving			
3 or more passes at Grades A*- C	2 or more passes at Grades A*- E		
76.6	100		

RESULTS BY SUBJECT

	Number	Number Percentage of Pupils Achieving Grade					%		
Subject	Of Pupils	A *	Α	В	С	D	E	U	Achieving Grades A*-E
Art and Design	6	16.7	33.3	83.3	100				100
Biology	18	16.7	33.3	66.7	100				100
Business Studies	28	10.7	28.6	75.0	89.3	96.4	100		100
Chemistry	13	0	46.2	61.5	76.9	100			100
Design and Technology	7	0	42.9	71.4	100				100
Drama and Theatre Studies	0								100
English Literature	11	27.3	54.5	81.8	100				100
English Lang and Lit	15	6.7	13.3	26.7	86.7	100			100
French	8	0	37.5	75.0	100				100
Geography	13	0	46.2	100					100
Health and Social Care	29	0	17.2	72.4	96.6	100			100
History	14	7.1	28.6	50.0	92.9	92.9	92.9	100	92.9
Nutrition	8	0	25.0	50.0	75.0	100			100
ICT	6	0	0	66.7	100				100
Mathematics	17	0	17.6	35.3	58.8	82.4	94.1	100	94.1
Moving Image Art	3	0	66.7	100					100
Music	5	0	20.0	60.0	100				100
Physics	4	25	75	100					100
Politics	10	10.0	30.0	80.0	100				100
Psychology	25	8	20.0	68.0	96.0	100			100
Religious Education	31	12.9	45.2	90.3	96.8	100			95.2
Life and Health Science	10	10.0	20.0	60.0	70.0	90.0	100		100
Life and Health DA	2	0	0	0	100				100
Sociology	33	0	6.1	48.5	81.8	100			100

Spanish	7	0	28.6	85.7	100		100	ì
Sport (PE Studies)	8	0	62.5	100			100	ì

PUBLIC EXAMINATION RESULTS SUMMARY 2023/24

GCSE Level

153 pupils entered 1467 subjects at GCSE level

38.3% of all grades achieved were A* - A

93.9% of all grades achieved were A* - C

96.7% of pupils at GCSE Level gained at least 5 grades A* - C

93.5% of pupils at GCSE Level gained at least 7 grades A* - C

AS Level

122 pupils entered 372 subjects at 'AS' level

85.5% of all grades achieved were A - C

99.2% of all grades achieved were A - E

66.4% of pupils gained **3 'AS' Levels at Grades A - C** (Drama Grades were not awarded, as it is a linear course, so this figure is affected)

99.2% of pupils gained 2 'AS' Levels at Grades A - E

A2 Level

111 pupils entered 331 subjects at 'A' level

90.9% of all grades achieved were A* - C

99.4% of all grades achieved were A* - E

76.6% of pupils gained 3 'A' Levels at Grades A*- C

100% of pupils gained 2 'A' Levels at Grades A* - E

PUPIL ATTENDANCE RATE 2023 / 2024

Total possible number of attendance sessions	372794
Total number of sessions attended	342058
% attendance rate	91.8%

SCHOOL YEAR 2023 / 2024

TERM DATES (inclusive)	STAFF IN-SERVICE TRAINING DAYS	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS (inclusive)		
Autumn 2023		August Bank Holiday 28 August		
21 August – 20 December	21, 22, 23, 24, August (4) 21 September (1) 25 October (1) 21 December (1)	Half Term 28 October – 5 November Christmas 22 December – 2 January		
Spring 2024 3 January – 22 March	3 January (1) 18 March (1)	Half Term 10 - 18 February Easter 23 March – 7 April		
Summer 2024 8 April – 28 June	27 May (1)	May Holiday 6 May Summer 29 June – 19 August		

SCHOOL DAY 2022-23

	Mon-Thurs	Fri
REGISTRATION	8:45am – 9:10am	8:45am – 9:15am (LTC³ Morning)
PERIOD 1	9:10am – 10:10am	9:15am – 10:15am
PERIOD 2	10:10am – 11:10am	10:15am – 11:15am
BREAK	11:10am – 11:30am	11:15am – 11:30am
PERIOD 3	11:30am – 12:30pm	11:30am – 12:30pm
LUNCH	12:30pm – 1:30pm	12:30pm – 1:15pm
PERIOD 4	1:30pm – 2:30pm	1:15pm – 2:15pm
PERIOD 5	2:30pm – 3:30pm	2:15pm – 3:15pm

DESTINATION OF LEAVERS 2023 / 2024

	Year 12 %	Year 13/14 %
Total Number of Leavers	37	119
Another School	98.0	1.7
Employment	2.7	11.6
Full-time Further Education	43.2	6.7
Full-time Higher Education	0.0	74.0
Full-time Training	2.7	5.0
Seeking Employment/Unemployed	0.0	0.0
Unknown/Long Term Sick/Pregnant	2.7	0.8
Emigrated	0.0	0.0
Elective Home Education	2.7	0.0

Note: Percentages may not total 100% because of rounding.