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Dear Parent/Carer

## Senior Phase Course Choice & Careers evening, 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018

Your child will soon be approaching an important transition point in their education. For S3 students this involves choosing subjects for next session. For students in S4/5, there is a choice to be made between continuing their education at Lasswade and leaving. As all of these choices could well determine future careers, it is important that decisions taken are reasoned and informed and made only after considering all the options carefully.

Considerable time is spent in school discussing these matters. The Student Support staff, through PSE, encourage students to think about their options and provide individual advice. Our Careers Advisers also provide information about choices and career planning and students are encouraged to seek an individual appointment, in school time, to discuss their plans.

The Senior Phase Course Choice & Careers evening on 1<sup>st</sup> February from 5-7pm offers a further opportunity for all students from S3-5, and their parents, to explore their options. The major focus of this evening is the opportunity to speak to representatives of subject departments, who are available without appointment to provide information on courses on offer in the senior phase. In addition representatives from Queen Margaret University Academies; Lifelong Learning & Employability and Midlothian Volunteering will be available to provide information on what they can offer to Senior students to enhance their curriculum.

Also present will be representatives from a variety of institutions who can be consulted on career pathways: Local colleges will be available to provide information on Further Education opportunities for students who may be considering moving on from school; A variety of Universities, from Edinburgh & beyond, will be present should your child wish to discuss general entry requirements for Higher Education.

Individual coursing interviews will take place from week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> February to finalise the selection of courses. It is important that students come to their coursing interview having given careful consideration to their future and having discussed all the issues with you.

The Senior Leadership Team, Student Support staff and our Careers Advisers will be available on a 'drop in' basis to discuss course choice or career plans. We look forward to seeing you on 1st February.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J McLaren  
Head of House