

Delayed Office Opening for Employee Training

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Dear Parent/Carer,

The Sunday Times League Table 2025 – UPDATE

Further to the information shared earlier this week, I am writing to confirm that the Sunday Times have now updated their 2025 league table.

The revised table now shows that, during 2024, 58% of leavers from Community School of Auchterarder achieved 5+ Higher awards. This figure is slightly higher than the percentage shared earlier this week; 58% represents all SCQF Level 6 qualifications that were completed by young people, not just those that are formally described by SQA as being “Highers”.

When considering this specific benchmark, our school now ranks as 33rd in Scotland which I am sure you will agree is a remarkable achievement. The misreporting of our pupil’s attainment has been highly frustrating, and I know we are all concerned by the reputational damage our school has suffered as a result.

As a school community we have many reasons to be extremely proud of our children and young people, and I ask anyone who has a connection with our school to help us tell a positive story about the success of our young people and work of our school. The outcomes our young people enjoy beyond school are enviable, and we are in the fortunate position to have a highly committed staff and leadership team who work tirelessly to ensure our children and young people are well supported to both achieve in and out of the classroom.

Indeed, David Macluskey, Strategic Lead for Education and Learning, has recognised the positive picture around attainment at CSoA and the contribution that pupils, families, staff and the school leadership team have made to that.

I recognise that this week’s situation has caused concern in our community however I hope that having now clarified the facts and had the Sunday Times update their league table you now feel reassured. The publication of the Sunday Times league table should have been a hugely positive moment for our school, and I now look forward to continuing our celebration of the success of our children and young people.

Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'David Lambert'.

David Lambert
Head Teacher