

The Gordon Schools



The Gordon Schools 175th School Anniversary 'Celebrate Our Past, Energise Our Future'

This year The Gordon Schools, Huntly hits a milestone Anniversary – the School reaches its 175th birthday.

Gifted by Elizabeth, Duchess of Gordon to the people of Huntly (as a memorial to her husband George the 5th and last Duke of Gordon), the Gordon Schools complex was founded in 1839 and was built to house the Parochial School, the Free Church School, the Infant School and the Industrial School.

Now, 175 years later, The Gordon Schools and The Gordon Schools Parent Council are working together support a series of

events - which will take place during 2014. These events are designed to showcase what the school and the community have achieved over the last 175 years.

The celebratory events will launch on 29th March with a Parade on Saturday 29th March from the Cooper Park to the Square, starting off at 1:30pm. The theme of the Parade is linked to the conflicts that have come and gone over the last 175 years and to the community spirit and support generated during these times – and which is clearly evident in Huntly today.

It is anticipated that,

in addition to pupils and staff at the School, the Parade will include a variety of community groups and organisations – included in which are 1st and 2nd Huntly Brownies; 1st Huntly Cubs; Aurora Productions; Huntly and District Pipe Band; a Unit from 39 Engineer Battalion, Kinloss; 1298 Squadron Huntly Air Training Corps; 2nd Battalion Army Cadet Force and many more.

In the weeks leading up to the Parade, Huntly Community Council have agreed to organise, on behalf of the Parent Council, a shop window competition. Local shops and businesses

are encouraged to dress their windows to tie in with the theme of the Parade - and these displays could reflect either military or home life over the last 175 years.

In addition to this, and launched earlier this year, are both a photography and an art competition details of which can be found on the School website – www.thegordonschools.co.uk and the Parent Council Facebook page – www.thegordonschools.co.uk/wb/pages/parent-council.php.

Other proposed activities for the coming year are listed below: -

- Revamp of the school song
- School Picture (made up of all pupil/teacher photographs)
- 175th Anniversary Book
- Pupil Anniversary Ceiidh
- Top of the Pops - in the style of 1964
- The School Window WW1 Book
- Formal Dinner
- Vintage Evening
- Merchandising
- And much more ...

PAINTING COMPETITION

OF

HUNTLY

£50 PRIZE

FOR CHILDREN:

UNDER 14s 14-18s OVER 18s

PLEASE SEND ENTRIES TO:
funatgordonchools@gmail.com
 BY THE END OF APRIL 2014
 TERMS & CONDITIONS APPLY

TO CELEBRATE THE SCHOOL'S 175th BIRTHDAY, PUPILS, PARENTS, FORMER PUPILS AND THE COMMUNITY ARE INVITED TO SEND IN PHOTOS FOR THIS YEAR'S COMPETITION. YOUR ENTRY MUST BE A PHOTO FROM HUNTLY, BUT IT CAN CAPTURE ANYTHING FROM WILDLIFE TO PEOPLE AND FROM SPORT TO SCENERY. ALL ENTRIES WELCOME.

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 NET COMPETITION - HUNTLY (SCOTLAND)

CAPTURE HUNTLY IN A FLASH

THE GORDON SCHOOLS PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

THREE CATEGORIES:

- Under 14s
- 14-18s
- Over 18s

£50

Prize per category

To celebrate the school 175th Birthday, pupils, parents, former Pupils and the community are invited to send in photos for this year's competition. Your entry must be a photo from Huntly, but it can capture anything from wildlife to people and from sport to scenery. All entries welcome.

Please send your entries to
funatgordonchools@gmail.com
 by end of April 2014

We have received support from many groups and organisations including those shown below, and we hope that you will join with us and take part in this 175th Anniversary Year.

1st & 2nd Huntly Brownies	1st Huntly Cubs	2nd Battalion Army Cadet Force
39 Engineer Regiment, Kinloss	1298 Squadron Huntly Air Training Corps	Aberdeenshire Council
Aurora Productions	Deveron Arts	Gordon Primary School
The Gordon Schools Former Pupils Association	Pupils & Staff at The Gordon Schools	Huntly Community Council
Huntly Crafters	Huntly Cricket Club	Huntly Development Trust
Huntly & District Pipe Band	Huntly & District Ex-servicemens Club	Huntly Rotary Club
Huntly Rugby Club	Inspire	Networks of Wellbeing
	Rhynie Woman	

