

# AUGUST

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Throughout August and September once all staff and students return after the summer break, Marketing will be running a [#respectyourcollege](#) campaign. We aim to reduce the amount of litter in and around all campuses, in particular cigarette ends, while also promoting safe driving and sensible parking.

While on campus please consider your language and try not to shout, swear or say anything racist or sexist as these are hate crimes. Hate crimes are acts of violence or hostility directed at people because of who they are or who someone thinks they are. Ask our Police Liaison Officer any questions you may have.

| 01 Mo                                       | 02 Tu | 03 We                                                                  | 04 Th                              | 05 Fr                              | 06 Sa | 07 Su |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------|-------|
|                                             |       | 10 We<br>Clearing Event Ayr<br>FB chat with Foundation Apprenticeships | 11 Th<br>Clearing Event Kilmarnock | 12 Fr<br>Clearing Event Kilwinning | 13 Sa | 14 Su |
| 15 Mo<br>Curriculum Staff Return            | 16 Tu | 17 We                                                                  | 18 Th                              | 19 Fr                              | 20 Sa | 21 Su |
| 22 Mo<br>Hive and School Link Classes Start | 23 Tu | 24 We                                                                  | 25 Th                              | 26 Fr                              | 27 Sa | 28 Su |
| 29 Mo<br>Semester 1 Begins                  | 30 Tu | 31 We                                                                  | 01 Th                              | 02 Fr                              | 03 Sa | 04 Sa |

Staff Development Week (SD) spans from 16 Tu to 19 Fr.

Student Inductions (SS) spans from 15 Mo to 19 Fr.

Student Inductions (SS) spans from 22 Mo to 26 Fr.

Student Induction Week (SA) spans from 29 Mo to 02 Fr.

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# SEPTEMBER

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10 September to 10 October is My Mental Health Matters Month. We will be promoting the hashtag [#mymentalhealthmatters](#) on Twitter during the campaign. This will be run by Equality and Inclusion and supported by Health, Safety and Wellbeing.

September also includes [Suicide Prevention Awareness Day](#). If you have been affected by suicide or would like to support those who have been, please visit [www.iasp.info](http://www.iasp.info) for more information. The Samaritans can also provide information and advice just go to <http://www.samaritans.org/> or speak to a Student Services Advisor on your campus.

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|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 29 Mo<br>Student Induction Week SA                 | 30 Tu                                                              | 31 We                                                              | 01 Th                                                              | 02 Fr<br>Scottish Air Show M                       | 03 Sa<br>Scottish Air Show M                   | 04 Su |
| 05 Mo                                              | 06 Tu<br>Freshers Week: Ayr, Kilmarnock and Kilwinning 10am-2pm SA | 07 We<br>Freshers Week: Ayr, Kilmarnock and Kilwinning 10am-2pm SA | 08 Th<br>Freshers Week: Ayr, Kilmarnock and Kilwinning 10am-2pm SA | 09 Fr<br>Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Awareness Day NHS | 10 Sa<br>World Suicide & Prevention Day EI HSW | 11 Su |
| 12 Mo<br>Executive Committee Nominations Open SA   | 13 Tu                                                              | 14 We                                                              | 15 Th<br>Cash for Kids Bake Day SA<br>Freshers Irvne 10am-2pm SA   | 16 Fr<br>Fixed Bank Holiday                        | 17 Sa                                          | 18 Su |
| 19 Mo<br>Fixed Bank Holiday                        | 20 Tu                                                              | 21 We                                                              | 22 Th                                                              | 23 Fr<br>Executive Committee Nominations Close SA  | 24 Sa                                          | 25 Su |
| 26 Mo<br>Executive Committee Campaigning Begins SA | 27 Tu                                                              | 28 We                                                              | 29 Th<br>Executive Committee Voting Day SA                         | 30 Fr                                              | 01 Sa                                          | 02 Su |

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# OCTOBER

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Our **Graduation** season starts in October, therefore we will be sending out tickets, information, venue details, etc., via post and email throughout October. Keep up to date with gown hire information and ticket sales via our Facebook and Twitter pages. Contact Marketing if you have any queries.

October is **Black History Month**, find out from Equality and Inclusion what exciting events they have planned throughout October to celebrate and raise awareness of African, Arab, Asian and Caribbean history, culture & lives.

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 26 Mo                                                               | 27 Tu                                                       | 28 We                                                       | 29 Th                                                | 30 Fr                                                                                                                                                                        | 01 Sa<br>World Vegetarian Day <span>HSW</span> | 02 Su |
| 03 Mo                                                               | 04 Tu                                                       | 05 We                                                       | 06 Th                                                | 07 Fr<br>Executive Committee Training Day <span>SA</span><br><br>Go Purple Ayrshire Hospice Day <span>SA</span>                                                              | 08 Sa                                          | 09 Su |
| 10 Mo<br>World Mental Health Day <span>HSW</span> & <span>EI</span> | 11 Tu<br>National Coming Out Day <span>EI</span>            | 12 We                                                       | 13 Th                                                | 14 Fr                                                                                                                                                                        | 15 Sa                                          | 16 Su |
| Autumn Break<br>Fixed Holiday                                       | Ada Lovelace Day <span>M</span>                             |                                                             |                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                |       |
| 17 Mo<br>Staff move into new Kilmarnock Campus                      | 18 Tu<br>Class Rep Welcome Event Kilwinning <span>SA</span> | 19 We<br>Class Rep Welcome Event Kilmarnock <span>SA</span> | 20 Th<br>Class Rep Welcome Event Ayr <span>SA</span> | 21 Fr<br>Kilwinning Graduation <span>M</span><br><br>Care Experienced Week <span>IL</span> & <span>SS</span><br>National Care Leavers Week <span>IL</span> & <span>SS</span> | 22 Sa                                          | 23 Su |
| 24 Mo<br>Students move into new Kilmarnock Campus                   | 25 Tu                                                       | 26 We                                                       | 27 Th                                                | 28 Fr                                                                                                                                                                        | 29 Sa                                          | 30 Su |
| 31 Mo<br>Halloween                                                  | 01 Tu                                                       | 02 We                                                       | 03 Th                                                | 04 Fr                                                                                                                                                                        | 05 Sa                                          | 06 Sa |

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# NOVEMBER

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We will be taking part in **Men's Health Awareness Month** by hosting various events, fundraising and celebrating #Movember on our social media platforms. Follow us on Twitter to see what's on in and around the College throughout November.

Equality and Inclusion will be supporting the **White Ribbon Campaign** from 25 November to 10 December, encouraging men and boys to work together to end violence against women and girls. There will be plenty of events, activities and online media for you to get involved in to show your support.

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| 31 Mo                                                                | 01 Tu | 02 We<br>National Stress Awareness Day <span>HSW</span> | 03 Th                                      | 04 Fr<br>Kilmarnock Graduation <span>M</span><br><br>Children in Need <span>SA</span> | 05 Sa                                            | 06 Su                                                        |
| 07 Mo                                                                | 08 Tu | 09 We                                                   | 10 Th                                      | 11 Fr                                                                                 | 12 Sa                                            | 13 Su                                                        |
| Corporate Parenting Network Events <span>IL</span> & <span>SS</span> |       |                                                         |                                            |                                                                                       |                                                  |                                                              |
| 14 Mo                                                                | 15 Tu | 16 We                                                   | 17 Th                                      | 18 Fr                                                                                 | 19 Sa<br>International Men's Day <span>EI</span> | 20 Su<br>International Trans Remembrance Day <span>EI</span> |
| Alcohol Awareness Week <span>NHS</span>                              |       |                                                         |                                            |                                                                                       |                                                  |                                                              |
| 21 Mo                                                                | 22 Tu | 23 We                                                   | 24 Th<br>Reclaim The Night <span>SA</span> | 25 Fr<br>Ayr Graduation <span>M</span>                                                | 26 Sa                                            | 27 Su                                                        |
| 28 Mo                                                                | 29 Tu | 30 We                                                   | 01 Th                                      | 02 Fr                                                                                 | 03 Sa                                            | 04 Sa                                                        |

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Our Police Liaison Officer, Kimberley Bradford will be running a series of **Respect Workshops** in personal safety, road safety, domestic abuse, social media / internet safety, fire safety plus many others. Make sure you are enrolled by getting in touch with Kimberley to book your space.

On the run up to the holidays, our Student Association will have a number of festive events for you to get involved in, from **Winter Markets to a Christmas Jumper Day**. Take part wherever possible, raise money for charity and have some fun along the way. Enjoy the term break and we shall see you in 2017.

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|------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| 28 Mo                  | 29 Tu                                       | 30 We                                       | 01 Th<br>World Aids Day <b>NHS</b>   | 02 Fr<br>Staff Celebration of Success <b>M</b> | 03 Sa<br>International Day for Persons with a Disability <b>EI</b> | 04 Su |
| 05 Mo                  | 06 Tu<br>Winter Market Kilmarnock <b>SA</b> | 07 We<br>Winter Market Kilwinning <b>SA</b> | 08 Th<br>Winter Market Ayr <b>SA</b> | 09 Fr                                          | 10 Sa<br>Human Rights Day <b>EI</b>                                | 11 Su |
| 12 Mo                  | 13 Tu<br>Christmas Jumper Day <b>SA</b>     | 14 We                                       | 15 Th                                | 16 Fr                                          | 17 Sa                                                              | 18 Su |
| Respect Week <b>PC</b> |                                             |                                             |                                      |                                                |                                                                    |       |
| 19 Mo                  | 20 Tu                                       | 21 We                                       | 22 Th<br>Winter Break Begins         | 23 Fr                                          | 24 Sa                                                              | 25 Su |
| 26 Mo                  | 27 Tu                                       | 28 We                                       | 29 Th                                | 30 Fr                                          | 31 Sa                                                              | 01 Su |

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A **New Year New You** campaign will be run for both staff and students by our Health, Safety and Wellbeing team. New Year New You is to promote healthier living by supporting people who want to give up smoking, cut down alcohol and eat healthier as part of their New Year resolutions.

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|----------------------------|-------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------|
| 26 Mo                      | 27 Tu | 28 We                                       | 29 Th                    | 30 Fr                                           | 31 Mo                                     | 01 Su |
| 02 Mo                      | 03 Tu | 04 We                                       | 05 Th<br>College Reopens | 06 Fr                                           | 07 Sa                                     | 08 Su |
| 09 Mo                      | 10 Tu | 11 We                                       | 12 Th                    | 13 Fr                                           | 14 Sa                                     | 15 Su |
| 16 Mo<br>Semester 2 Begins | 17 Tu | 18 We                                       | 19 Th                    | 20 Fr                                           | 21 Sa                                     | 22 Su |
| 23 Mo                      | 24 Tu | 25 We<br>World Religion Day <span>EI</span> | 26 Th                    | 27 Fr<br>Holocaust Memorial Day <span>EI</span> | 28 Sa<br>Chinese New Year <span>EI</span> | 29 Su |
| 30 Mo                      | 31 Tu | 01 We                                       | 02 Th                    | 03 Fr                                           | 04 Sa                                     | 05 Su |

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# FEBRUARY

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February is **LGBT History Month** and our Equality and Inclusion team and Student Association will have a host of events for everyone to take part in. Help @AyrshireColl celebrate online with #LGBTHistory.

**Cancer Awareness Month** is a worldwide annual campaign involving thousands of organisations, to highlight the importance of cancer awareness, education and research. Health, Safety and Wellbeing will be supporting efforts to create a greater awareness of cancer.

| 30 Mo                                      | 31 Tu | 01 We                                      | 02 Th                                             | 02 Fr                                             | 04 Sa | 05 Su |
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|                                            |       |                                            |                                                   |                                                   |       |       |
| 06 Mo                                      | 07 Tu | 08 We<br>Refreshers<br>Ayr <span>SA</span> | 09 Th<br>Refreshers<br>Kilwinning <span>SA</span> | 10 Fr<br>Refreshers<br>Kilmarnock <span>SA</span> | 11 Sa | 12 Su |
| 13 Mo                                      | 14 Tu | 15 We                                      | 16 Th                                             | 17 Fr                                             | 18 Sa | 19 Su |
| Mid Term Break                             |       |                                            |                                                   |                                                   |       |       |
| Fixed Term Holiday                         |       | Staff Development <span>SD</span>          |                                                   |                                                   |       |       |
| 20 Mo<br>Students Return                   | 21 Tu | 22 We                                      | 23 Th                                             | 24 Fr                                             | 25 Sa | 26 Su |
| 27 Mo                                      | 28 Tu | 01 We                                      | 02 Th                                             | 02 Fr                                             | 03 Sa | 04 Su |
| Scottish<br>Apprentice Week <span>M</span> |       |                                            |                                                   |                                                   |       |       |

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# MARCH



**Reckless Driving Wrecks Lives** is a campaign running throughout March by our Police Liaison Officer. If you drive or are thinking about learning how to drive, book onto a workshop and support the campaign.

**Student Presidents and Student Vice-Presidents** represent all students at the College, they are here to help students achieve their potential, and assist if any issues arise. Students interested in running for the full-time, paid position of Student President or Student Vice-President need to fill out a nomination pack available at Reception, Student Services or from the College website page; <http://www1.ayrshire.ac.uk/students/student-association/>

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| 27 Mo<br>Scottish Modern Apprentices Week (M)                  | 28 Tu                                                                        | 01 We<br>Election Nominations Open (SA)                                 | 02 Th                                  | 03 Fr                                   | 04 Sa | 05 Su |
| 06 Mo                                                          | 07 Tu                                                                        | 08 We<br>International Women's Day (EI)                                 | 09 Th<br>No Smoking Day (HSW)          | 10 Fr                                   | 11 Sa | 12 Su |
| 13 Mo<br>Drug Awareness Week (NHS)                             | 14 Tu                                                                        | 15 We<br>Student Holyrood Visit (SA)<br>Election Nominations Close (SA) | 16 Th<br>Islam Awareness Week (EI)     | 17 Fr                                   | 18 Sa | 19 Su |
| 20 Mo                                                          | 21 Tu<br>International Day of Elimination Against Racial Discrimination (EI) | 22 We                                                                   | 23 Th                                  | 24 Fr<br>Comic Relief Red Nose Day (SA) | 25 Sa | 26 Su |
| 27 Mo                                                          | 28 Tu<br>Careers Event Kilwinning (SA)                                       | 29 We<br>Careers Event Ayr (SA)                                         | 30 Th<br>Careers Event Kilmarnock (SA) | 31 Fr                                   | 01 Sa | 02 Su |
| Elections Voting Week (SA)<br>World Autism Awareness Week (EI) |                                                                              |                                                                         |                                        |                                         |       |       |

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# APRIL

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We hope you all enjoy your spring break and look forward to seeing you later on in the month.

During **National Stalking Awareness Week** Equality and Inclusion will be encouraging staff and students to be more effective in protecting and safeguarding people who may be at risk of harm. Stalking is a pattern of repeated, unwanted behaviour that causes you to feel distressed or scared. It can be perpetrated by men or women.

**International Girls into ICT Day** will see CoderDojo sessions taking place across all campuses, to book your place contact [loraine.johnston@ayrshire.ac.uk](mailto:loraine.johnston@ayrshire.ac.uk) and don't forget to read about females in the technology sector on our blog [www.ayrshirecollegeblog.wordpress.com](http://www.ayrshirecollegeblog.wordpress.com)

| 27 Mo                                    | 28 Tu                    | 29 We                       | 30 Th                                     | 31 Fr | 01 Sa | 02 Su                  |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------|-------|------------------------|
| 03 Mo                                    | 04 Tu                    | 05 We                       | 06 Th                                     | 07 Fr | 08 Sa | 09 Su                  |
| Spring Break                             |                          |                             |                                           |       |       |                        |
| 10 Mo                                    | 11 Tu                    | 12 We                       | 13 Th                                     | 14 Fr | 15 Sa | 16 Su<br>Easter Sunday |
| 17 Mo<br>Easter Bank Holiday             | 18 Tu<br>Students Return | 19 We                       | 20 Th                                     | 21 Fr | 22 Sa | 23 Su                  |
| 24 Mo<br>National Stalking Awareness Day | 25 Tu                    | 26 We<br>West Coast Varsity | 27 Th<br>International Girls into ICT Day | 28 Fr | 29 Sa | 30 Su                  |

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# MAY

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**Skin Cancer Awareness Month** will be supported and promoted by our Health, Safety and Wellbeing team throughout May. In the run up to summer season, ensure you are wearing plenty of sunscreen.

**Exam Diet** is a campaign being run by our Quality team to promote the care of your physical and mental health during exam periods. Eat well, ensure you get plenty of sleep and if you are feeling stressed take control of your situation and try to adopt a positive outlook.

|                          |       |                                                                                               |       |       |                         |       |
|--------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|-------|
| 01 Mo<br>May Day Holiday | 02 Tu | 03 We                                                                                         | 04 Th | 05 Fr | 06 Sa                   | 07 Su |
| 08 Mo                    | 09 Tu | 10 We                                                                                         | 11 Th | 12 Fr | 13 Sa                   | 14 Su |
| 15 Mo                    | 16 Tu | 17 We<br>International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia<br>John Mather Awards | 18 Th | 19 Fr | 20 Sa                   | 21 Su |
| 22 Mo                    | 23 Tu | 24 We                                                                                         | 25 Th | 26 Fr | 27 Sa<br>Ramadan Begins | 28 Su |
| 29 Mo                    | 30 Tu | 31 We                                                                                         | 01 Th | 02 Fr | 03 Sa                   | 04 Sa |

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# JUNE

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> Raising Aspirations  
> Inspiring Achievement  
> Increasing Opportunities



National Women into Engineering Day (#NWED2017) is now an International awareness campaign to raise the profile of women engineers and focus attention on the amazing career opportunities available to girls in this exciting industry. It takes place annually on 23 June and we can't wait to get involved!

With Semester 2 coming to an end, we would like to wish you all a wonderful summer break. Don't forget to keep in touch with us over the holidays on social media @AyrshireColl.

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|-------|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------------------|
| 29 Mo | 30 Tu                            | 31 We | 01 Th | 02 Fr                                                                 | 03 Sa | 04 Su                                 |
| 05 Mo | 06 Tu                            | 07 We | 08 Th | 09 Fr<br>Semester 2 Finishes                                          | 10 Sa | 11 Su                                 |
| 12 Mo | 13 Tu                            | 14 We | 15 Th | 16 Fr<br>Staff Wellbeing Day <span>HSW</span>                         | 17 Sa | 18 Su                                 |
| 19 Mo | 20 Tu                            | 21 We | 22 Th | 23 Fr<br>National Women into Engineering Day #NWED2017 <span>M</span> | 24 Sa | 25 Su<br>Ramadan Ends <span>EI</span> |
| 26 Mo | 27 Tu<br>Curriculum Staff Finish | 28 We | 29 Th | 30 Fr                                                                 | 01 Sa | 02 Sun                                |

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