



Linlithgow Academy

TOGETHER WE THRIVE

Linlithgow Academy



OUR CORE VALUES

We encourage...



Kindness



Curiosity



Perseverance



Fairness

OUR CORE PURPOSE

Our learning...



Connects us



Sustains us



Empowers us



Inspires us

OUR CORE EXPECTATIONS

We are...



Ready



Responsible



Respectful



Safe

LINLITHGOW ACADEMY

UCAS INFORMATION EVENING


Wednesday 10th September 2025

Pupils, please join the UCAS Team:

8rz23q2



What we aim to cover

1. APPLICATION
 2. LEAPS – Alison Train
 3. PERSONAL STATEMENT – Claire Forsman
(Head of Undergraduate Recruitment, University of Edinburgh)
 4. ACADEMIC REFERENCE
 5. PERSONAL EXPERIENCE – Lily and Fraser
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1. Application

- WWW.ucas.com
- Choose the correct 'diet' – 2026 Entry
- Buzzword connects to the school – **Christmas25**
- Use personal email, not glow
- Student finance – choose option 02 – then 'West Lothian'
- Qualifications – SQA codes are listed in UCAS team



1. Application

- Once complete, add your personal statement
- Pay and send
- **Sending means that your application is in the hands of your Head of House; you cannot send your application to UCAS, the school does that.**



2. LEAPS

- If you think that you may be LEAPS eligible – complete <https://leapssurvey.org> as soon as possible!!



3. Personal statement

- By you and about you
 - Guide in the UCAS team
 - Must be your own words
 - Email a draft to your Head of House for their advice and suggestions
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4. Academic reference

- Compiled and written by your Head of House
- Reference is added to your application and then sent to UCAS
- Pupil information sheet
- Request references from teachers
- External references




5. PERSONAL EXPERIENCE

- Lily
- Fraser




What now?

- Make sure you have joined the UCAS team – 8rz23q2
- Read all the support information
- Register and start UCAS application (Buzzword Christmas25)
- Complete pupil information sheet and email to HOH
- Email teachers with link, requesting reference (cc HOH)
- Start working on your personal statement



• By when? – deadlines!!

- Timeline included in UCAS team information & on school website
 - Complete as soon as you can
 - Stick to deadlines!!
 - Heads of House want all applications off our desks by Christmas
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Finally...

- Get started now!!
 - Open Days
 - **Plan B**
 - Good luck
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- Questions?

