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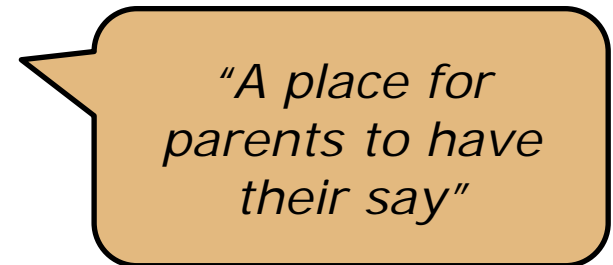
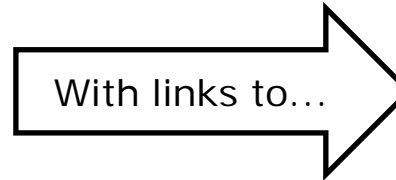
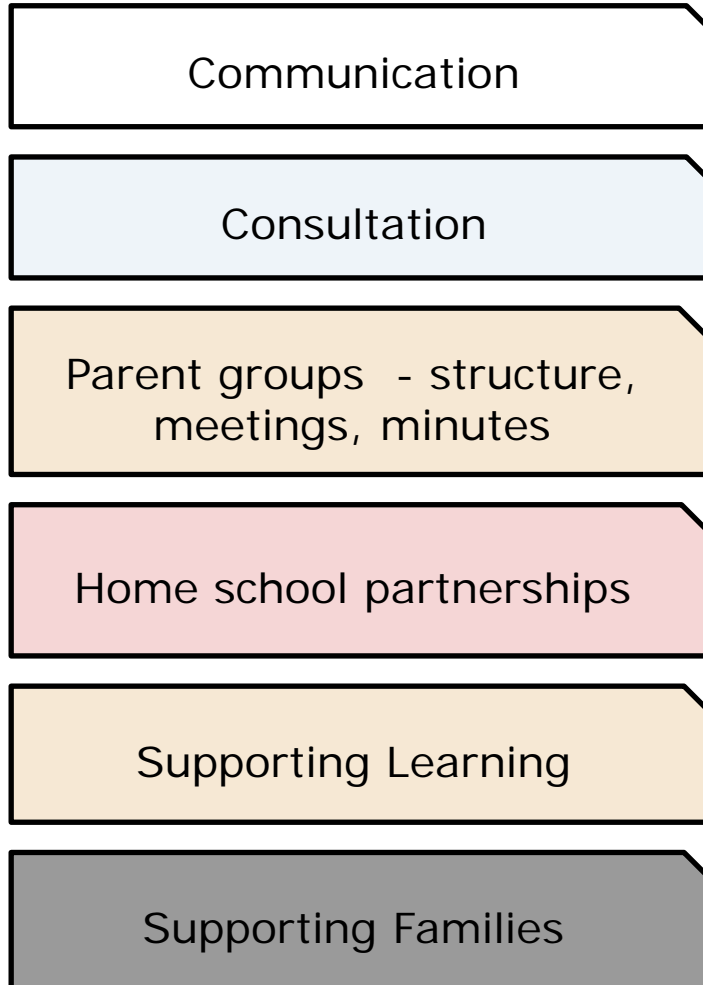
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## Parents info on the web

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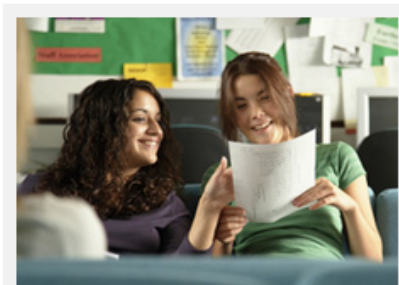
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Early indications are that candidates have improved on their performances from 2013 and that Edinburgh's overall good performance has been maintained. In total 8,642 pupils sat 41,949 exams this year in over 70 subject areas; ranging from Mandarin to Woodwork Skills.



Results were released today by email, text or post

### Welcome

Whether you're a parent or carer, a young person, or a professional working with families and children in Edinburgh - this blog will keep you informed about the services that matter to you.

Find out [more about this blog](#) and how you can contribute.

### Search

# What we've done so far...

Over 400 posts

Over 55,000 views



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Over 100 comments



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# What we've done so far...

The screenshot shows the Edinburgh Council website's 'Parents' page. At the top, there is a navigation menu with 'Services A-Z' selected, a search bar, and a secondary menu with links like 'Home', 'Contact us', 'Pay it', 'Request it', 'Report it', and 'Have your say'. Below this is a letter-based navigation bar (A-Z). The main content area is titled 'Parents' and features a video player for 'Learn about Parent Information Points in your community'. To the right, there is a 'BRIGHT FUTURES' sidebar with a video thumbnail and text: 'Visit our blog to keep informed about our services for children, young people and families'. Below the video, there are three green buttons: 'Check term dates', 'Find childcare in Edinburgh', and 'Apply for a school place'. The main text area includes a section for 'Find out about services for parents and carers of children and young people' with a sub-section for 'Support and help for parents and carers'. A sidebar on the left lists various topics, with 'Parental support' highlighted in red.

✓ Details of services we provide in Children and Families

✓ Links to other services elsewhere in the Council (e.g. Libraries, benefits)

✓ Useful links to other organisations

[www.edinburgh.gov.uk/parents](http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/parents)



# What we've done so far...

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Home Services A-Z Contact us Pay it Request it Report it Have your say

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

Home > Schools

## Schools

**Schools break for Mid-Term on Friday 11 October**

1 2 3 Pause

**Check term dates** >  
View term dates to see when our schools close for holidays.

**Enrol in a school** >  
Find details of catchment areas, school locations and how to enrol.

**Find primary schools > secondary schools > and special schools** >  
Search our directory of City of Edinburgh Council primary, secondary and special schools.

**Find out about additional support for pupils** >  
Find out about the wide range of additional support available for learners in educational establishments across Edinburgh.

**Apply for a nursery place** >  
Apply for a free nursery place for pre-school children.

**See a list of primary schools** >

**See a list of secondary schools** >

**Find a special school** >

**Find catchment schools on our interactive map** >

**Education - general enquiries**  
Waverley Court, 4 East Market Street, Edinburgh, EH8 8BG  
Tel: 0131 200 2000

**Relevant Schools links**

- > Check term dates
- > Download the School Handbook
- > Download the Placing in Schools booklet

### St Thomas of Aquin's RC High School

|                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Name                                 | St Thomas of Aquin's RC High School   |
| Address                              | 2 - 20 Chalmers Street  |
| Postcode                             | EH3 9NH   |
| Telephone                            | 0131 229 8734   |
| Email                                | Admin@st-thomassquins.edin.sch.uk   |
| More information                     | <a href="http://www.st-thomassquins.edin.sch.uk">http://www.st-thomassquins.edin.sch.uk</a>         |
| Opening hours                        | Mon-Thu, 8.45am-3.55pm<br>Fri, 8.45am-12.11pm   |
| Religion                             | Roman Catholic  |
| Head Teacher                         | Michael Wilkins (Acting)  |
| Inspections                          | View our own school review reports and also see Education Scotland's inspection reports             |
| Meal provider                        | Edinburgh Catering Services   |
| More about secondary school meals    | See the menus provided by Edinburgh Catering Services or find out more about secondary school menus |
| Eco-Schools status                   | Green Flag  |
| More about the Eco-Schools programme | Read more about Eco Schools in Edinburgh  |
| Neighbourhood                        | South   |
| Catchment area map                   | <a href="#">Download the catchment map</a> or read more about school catchments                     |
| Location                             |   |

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# What we're doing now...

The screenshot shows the Edinburgh Council website's 'Parental engagement' page. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for Home, Services A-Z, Contact us, Pay it, Request it, Report it, and Have your say. A search bar is located in the top right corner. The main content area features a large image of a diverse group of people, with a blue call-to-action box that says 'See the latest information on Parent Council training'. Below this, there is a section titled 'Parental engagement' with a sub-header 'Parental engagement' and a description: 'There are a number of ways you can get involved in your child's school, starting with your parent council.' This section includes four sub-sections: 'Join or start a parent council', 'Find out about Neighbourhood Groups', 'Consultative Committee with Parents', and 'Education, Children and Families Committee'. A right sidebar contains a 'Parental engagement' box with contact information for Waverley Court, 4 East Market Street, Edinburgh, EH8 8BG, and a telephone number. Below this is a 'Get involved with your child's school' section with links to Parent Councils, Neighbourhood Groups, Consultative Committee with Parents, and Education, Children and Families Committee. At the bottom right, there is a 'Bright Futures Blog' section and a 'Related items' section with a 'Downloads' link.

✓ Details of parent councils, neighbourhood groups, CCwP and the Education, Children and Families Committee

✓ Membership, papers, minutes etc

✓ Links to local and national policy, guidance, news and resources



# What we're doing now...

**Edinburgh parents' portal**  
Get involved in your child's learning


Search



Home Business Parents Policies and reports Your child's learning

Welcome to Edinburgh's new portal for parents, providing you with useful links and information on how you can get involved in your child's learning. [Edit](#)

The diagram below shows the structure of parental engagement, from school level all the way up to the council's education committee.



✓ Trying out new ways of presenting key info

✓ Working with staff and parents to capture ideas and develop content



# What we're doing next...



## Bins and recycling

[Bin collection days](#)

[Get in touch about bins](#)

[Find a tip](#)

[What kind of collection?](#)

[More from Bins and recycling](#)

## Council tax

[Pay Council tax](#)

[Check your balance](#)

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## Benefits and grants

[Benefits advice](#)

[Children and family benefits](#)

[Council tax support](#)

[Education grants and benefits](#)

[More from Benefits and grants](#)



## Services for Residents

### Bins and recycling

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### Council tax

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Coming to a (computer) screen near you in Spring 2014



**All feedback welcome!**

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