



EYEMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL | PARENT BULLETIN

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Great to be back!

We are taking stock at the end of a busy two weeks. It's been great to see our young people looking so smart and engaged in school. Thanks to all parents and carers for your help with uniform. This week we have been reflecting on the success of the England women's football team at the recent European Championships. Their recipe of teamwork, perseverance, hard work and resilience is a good one to follow in our learning so that we can also be successful. Learning to deal with setbacks and helping each other to push on is a vital part of our work here and in life in general. As we look forward to a challenging year in and out of school, it's worth remembering that support is always available, and that together we can achieve more.

First Year Friends

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Friend

We are really pleased and proud to have 42 x S5 and S6 pupils who have volunteered as 'First Year Friends' this year. This is the largest group of First Year Friends we have ever had, since the programme started 5 years ago. Their valuable roles have been a great support in welcoming the new S1s to the High School; they have been helping them find their way around the school; answering their questions and generally being a kind and friendly face to help them settle into their new environment. As we move forward, they will be helping at S1 break time drop in sessions as well as continuing to be available for any S1s who feel they would like some extra support.



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Seasons for Growth programme

Change and loss are issues that affect all of us at some stage in our lives. At Eyemouth High School we recognise that when changes occur in families through significant loss or change in circumstances, young people may benefit from learning how to manage these changes effectively. We are therefore offering a very successful programme called Seasons for Growth – please see further details in the attached summary (insert link to Seasons for Growth Info Summary). This year, the programme will initially be offered to our S2 pupils and we will be speaking to them about this opportunity during their PSE classes in the forthcoming weeks. If you would like any further information or have any questions about the programme, please do not hesitate to contact our Home School Link Workers, Laura Simm and Sophie McNeil, at the High School on 018907 50363.



DUKE OF EDINBURGH

We are pleased to award Maggy Whitehead, Isaac Reid, Caitlin Bell, Ella Hodgson and Finlay Aitchison their Bronze Certificates of Achievement. This celebrates their completing all three sections and rewards their dedication to community work, sporting activities while developing a new skill. We still have many participants that are working on their sections and look forward to presenting them with their certificates soon.



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Attendance

Our School Attendance Expectations & Procedures At Eyemouth High School we fundamentally believe in the importance of school attendance. Research shows that attendance is directly linked to achievement and the overall success of a young person. See the diagram to the right – a larger version of this is available on the website. Full details of the School Attendance Expectations and Procedures can be found on the School Website [Eyemouth High School - Attendance](#).

100% Attendance	0 Days Missed	Excellent	Gives your child the best chance of success and gets them off to a flying start.
95% Attendance	9 Days of Absence 1 week and 4 Days of Learning Missed	Satisfactory	
90% Attendance	19 Days of Absence 3 Weeks and 4 Days of Learning Missed	Poor	Less chance of success. Makes it harder to progress.
85% Attendance	27 Days of Absence 5 Weeks and 3 Days of Learning Missed Almost half a term missed	Very Poor	Serious implications on learning and progress.
80% Attendance	36 Days of Absence 7 Weeks and 3 Days of Learning Missed Half a term missed	Unacceptable	
75% Attendance	45 Days of Absence 9 Weeks and 1 Day of Learning Missed Almost 1 whole term missed	Unacceptable	



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