

Countdown to Christmas Special!



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CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS TOGETHER!

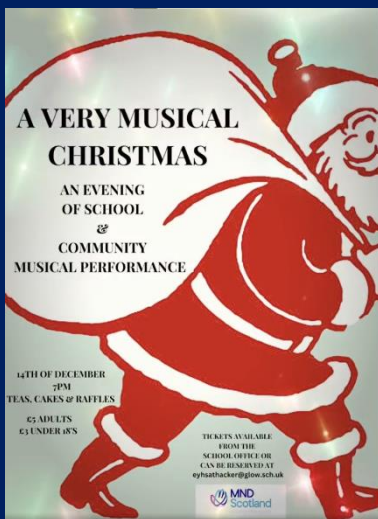
After such a long term of learning and achieving together, it's great to take part as a school in so many splendid events which help us celebrate our young people and our community. This newsletter focusses on some of these brilliant opportunities and experiences. From music evenings and theatre trips to the Christmas Showcase and School Dances – there is something for everyone here at the school to enrich our time together and enjoy learning.

There have been some meaningful opportunities for young people to learn about different pathways and professions, meet real scientists and engineers, and contribute to our local primary schools. We have even had a visit from Santa for our Christmas Jumper day! Now Christmas is upon us it is time for some real rest, time with loved ones and reflection – and also some revision for S4-6 pupils before their Prelim exams, which start on the 15th January!



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Let the creative juices flow..!



'A Very Musical Christmas' saw students from S1-S6, past students and our wonderful Fishermen's Choir perform a range of musical numbers raising funds for MND Scotland and The Performing Arts Department. There really was such an array of talent on display from our singers and musicians. We are delighted to have raised £370 for MND Scotland and £335 for our Performing Arts Department. Thank you to all involved and to the community for coming to support!



We continue to offer as many opportunities for **Theatre Trips** as we can to promote cultural capital and give students that wider experience as part of the school curriculum. This school year we have taken students to; The Edinburgh Fringe Festival, Ghost Story 2:22, Aladdin and Wicked. Coming up in the new year we have 'Shrek' and Hamilton. We do our very best to keep the cost of the trips manageable and have sustained a price of £25 which usually covers the cost of the ticket. All the fundraising we do helps to cover the cost of the bus hire, which has increased this year, so we are always delighted with the support we get with audiences to our shows, contributions to bake sales and raffles - we couldn't do it without you!



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► To all parents and carers, please could you make sure you have logged into **Showbie** – this gives you access to your child's Learning Logs, which will be gradually uploaded over the course of the year. You will require a parent code to log in and you can obtain this by contacting the school, or looking through previous emails or on xpressions.



► To all parents and carers, please could you ensure that **School Uniform** is perfect when we come back to school in January. We will be expecting to see full uniform, with no leggings without a skirt, a tie and black or brown shoes or trainers. The vast majority of young people get this right every day – thanks for your support in this.



► Our series of Career Insight Afternoons for S4-6 ended on a high with **Creative Industries** and **Legal and Financial Services** coming into school - with more than 50 pupils given the opportunity to find out about jobs they are interested in first hand from the professionals. We are very grateful to have been so well supported by our community in providing these valuable experiences for our pupils.

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Our Christmas Showcase!

Our **Christmas Showcase** was yet again a brilliant occasion. Over 550 people attended to see the vast range of activities and opportunities available to our young people at school and beyond. Huge thanks to the Rotary Club of Eyemouth for their support before, during and after the evening, and to all partners that attended. There were also brilliant contributions from our students with their musical talents, textiles, art and cake work on display. Local groups of all sorts came out to let everyone know what they do and how folk can get involved. It was a wonderful display of community togetherness!



Opportunities with STEM across the curriculum



On Monday 6th November all S3 students were invited to attend the **Edinburgh Science Festival Careers Hive** event at the National Museum in Edinburgh to learn about careers in STEM subjects. The day started with a talk from scientists about their career journeys including how one presenter went from Rugby to Quantity Surveying and another had set up her own online bespoke knitting business! In the afternoon students explored how their skills could be applied to STEM careers, and also had a chance to talk with a wide range of STEM professionals through taking part in activities. Some highlights included building an engine, VR space travel, keyhole surgery, upside down glasses, and programming robots!



On the 16th November our **Advanced Higher Physics students** attended Heriot-Watt University to access specialist equipment to complete their Advanced Higher practical projects.



On the 8th November eight students attended the '**S2 Girls Into Physics**' event run by the Institute of Physics – they were able to operate the bronchoscope and experiment with UV beads.



Young STEM leaders at Local Primary Schools, with support from Ms Blair and Mr Wilson.



Dr Gill Reid, **President of the Royal Chemistry Society**, talking to S2 students about the applications of chemistry.



Chemistry Experiments at **Ayton Primary school** with Dr Lymer – from P1 upwards.