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October 25th, 2024

Message from SLT

Welcome back from what I hope has been a really refreshing holiday. Just like that, it seems that the seasons are all mixed up and changing again. Please remember that the clocks will go back on Sunday 27th October, giving an extra hour in bed!

This is a very important half term, especially for our senior pupils, and it is really important that attendance is excellent throughout the whole of this period. This year many of our assignments and portfolios will need to be completed – please check carefully below for details of upcoming assessments.

Mr Chapman

S1 Pupils – Technical Safety Contracts

All S1 pupils will be starting their first practical woodworking project soon. S1 pupils recently had their safety lesson and were issued a workshop safety contract. This is an agreement to follow all Health and Safety protocols in practical lessons.

Pupils and parents/carers need to sign this contract before pupils are allowed to engage with practical work. If you have not signed this yet, please ask your child about it and have them return it as soon as possible.

Safety contracts can be handed into their Technical teacher, Miss MacGregor or Mrs Brown, during lessons or dropped off at break times. Please see your teacher if you require a replacement form.

Thank you.

Message from assemblies

Assemblies are delivered by our group of Chaplains this week on the theme of transitions – how can we stay calm and focussed in a world where everything is changing so rapidly?

Wider achievement: Dates for your diary

29th October- Higher Drama trip to see “A Streetcar Named Desire.”

31st October – S3 STEM Careers trip for S3 Physics, Chemistry and Biology students

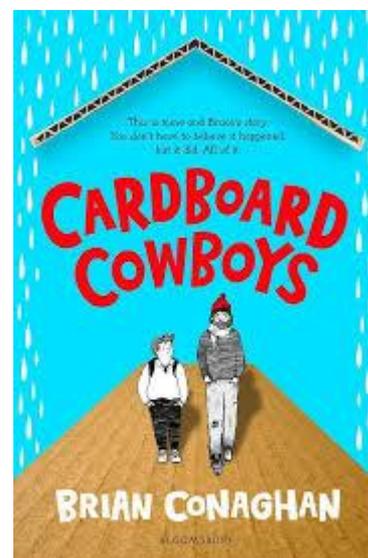
15th November Model United Nations

2nd November Rugby to Murrayfield to watch Fiji vs Scotland

26th November N5 History Trip to Paxton House for Slavery Exhibition

Looking for your next read?

“Cardboard Cowboys” by Brian Conaghan is the story of first year Lenny who struggles with school and finding his place. It explores his experience of coming to terms with trauma in his life while also learning about friendship, self-love and family. Through an unexpected friendship with a homeless man, Lenny is able to reconcile with not only his parents but also with his estranged brother all the while learning some important life lessons. A great read!



Recommended by Mrs Feeney and her S1 class.

Tuesday 29th October – SQA Support evening for specific invited pupils – you will have received a letter about this if you have been invited in. Our regular Parents’ evenings for all seniors will be Thursday 5th or Wednesday 11th December (there will a choice over which evening to attend of the two.)

Upcoming assessments

Subject	Level	Teacher	Assessment	Date
English	S4	Mrs Feeney	Textual Analysis	30.10.24
English	Higher	Mrs Feeney	Textual Analysis	30.10.24
English	S4	Mr MacKenzie	Textual Analysis	30.10.24
English	S4	Mrs Bewsey	Textual Analysis	31.10.24
Maths	Higher	Mr Bender		31.10.24
Maths	Higher	Mrs Dawson		01.11.24
Engineering Science	Higher	Miss MacGregor	Analogue Electronics	07.11.24
PE	National 5	Mrs Wright	PEA Badminton	08.11.24
PE	Higher National 5	Miss Young Miss Murray	PEE Badminton	10.11.24
Physics	Higher	Ms Le-Mar	Our Dynamic Universe	12.11.24
Engineering Science	National 5	Miss MacGregor	Analogue Electronics	14.11.24

Uniform in Technology Practical Lessons

All pupils engaging with practical lesson in the Technologies faculty, must be wearing appropriate clothing to minimise their potential risk of injury during lessons. Pupils are required to cover their legs by wearing trousers or leggings with their skirt, as the aprons do not provide full leg coverage. If wearing shorts to school, pupils should bring trousers with them to wear for their Technical and Home Economic practical lessons.

Is Vet Science/ Vet Nursing something that interests you? Do you want to find out more about the Career/ Routes etc? Drop Emma an email on eholdsworth@dywborders.co.uk or pop and see her in the Library for more info!

Real life Maths

It's Friday night and you have ordered a large 12 slice pizza for dinner, You eat half of it and save the rest for later. After watching Gogglebox, you go back and eat another third. How many slices do you have left for lunch tomorrow?

PE News

Hockey:

This week the hockey teams will dust off their sticks to host Earlston High School at home on **Saturday** the 26th of October with a 9am pass back. Come along and support – all spectators are welcome!

Rugby:

Despite the Schools being on Holiday, players from Berwickshire Schools rugby were still active during the week. Lewis Young and Beau Hammond from EYHS in S3, alongside 5 boys from BHS, took part in U15 SCOTS camps at Borders College Campus on Monday and Tuesday last week. These sessions were a chance to train with other promising young rugby players throughout the Borders in a new environment. Congratulations to all players who attended!

Berwickshire Schools had scheduled fixtures vs Dunbar on Saturday past, unfortunately the S1 game was called off during the week, and unfortunate circumstances on the day meant that we had to play a mixed S2/U15 team consisting of up to 26 players. Dunbar U15 travelled down to Duns with a strong physical team looking to build some momentum after a tough couple of weeks in East Lothian. The game was a low scoring affair, but it was anything but boring. Both teams played expansive, end-to-end rugby that resulted in the game going right down to the wire. The scores stood at 14-19 to Dunbar going into the final minutes, with Berwickshire Schools pressuring the Dunbar line. After a number of phases displaying excellent ball retention close to the line, one un-known Berwickshire Schools player scored the game leveling try. And with the final conversion of the game, Berwickshire took the win 21-19. It was a big test for all the players involved, playing against new opposition with a heavily mixed team and frequent substitutions. The U15 players stood up well and lead the less experienced S2 players through the game, with the S2 players adjusting to the physicality amazingly well!

This coming weekend hopefully all the teams will be back playing teams from their own age groups when Peebles High School visit Berwickshire High on Saturday morning. The games all Kick Off at 9.45am, and all spectators are welcome.

Maths solution

You have four slices left for lunch!

Equestrian Vaulting

Congratulations to Katie (S4), Scarlett (S3) and Megan (S2) who all competed in the recent British Equestrian Vaulting Championships held at Kelsall Hill Equestrian Centre, Cheshire.

Both Scarlett and Megan competed in the 2* Junior Team class where they performed exceptionally well and came 1st in the class! Katie also competed in a team who done excellently and came 3rd place! Katie continued competing individually and demonstrated some brilliant vaulting skills which earnt her a well-deserved 5th place overall in the 1* Junior class! An amazing effort to each of you representing both Eyemouth and Reivers Vaulting Group! Well done to you all!



Well done Ollie!

Huge congratulations to Ollie Virtue who boxes for Chirnside amateur boxing club and became the Scottish development category B (4-6 bouts) champion on Saturday 19 October 2024! The final was held at Ravenscraig sports centre in Motherwell and is the UKs largest grassroots boxing event. He has worked extremely hard and been very dedicated over the past couple of years to get where he is now. He really enjoys all aspects of the sport "apart from the making weight part"! Huge congratulations to Ollie on this amazing achievement.



Shoe box appeal

Over the past few weeks we have been filling boxes during Personal Development Group time for boys, girls and adults who barely have anything. We have put different things in the boxes like toys, scarfs, hats, gloves and toiletries. We have wrapped these boxes ourselves and have put in time and effort into making them look nice for Christmas. The people we are sending them to will be in Moldova. They will be picked up from school and taken to a collection point. So far we have filled nearly 25 boxes and we still have boxes coming in to fill.

We would like to say thank you to everyone who donated and a huge thanks to the teachers who helped especially Miss D' Agrosa Mrs Lowe and Mrs Hodgkins.

Kenzie, Ella, Kai, Ruraidh, Abi, Gemma and Nicky- PDA Group



Brian Conaghan visits Eyemouth!

On Thursday we had the privilege of welcoming Brian to the school to speak with our S1 pupils. Two of our S1 classes have just finished reading his novel "Cardboard Cowboys" and they were very excited to meet him.

He spoke to us about his journey to become a writer and how he never let his struggles stop him from achieving his dreams. The pupils were enthralled with his candidness and openness to chat about his past and asked him some very interesting questions.

He then delivered workshops with two of the classes where pupils had an extra chance to chat to him about writing and ask any burning questions. He then helped them to think about the impact of dialogue in their own writing.

We want to thank Brian for coming along and can't wait to have him back again.



Brian Conaghan

