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January 10th, 2025

Message from SLT

Happy New Year! As we welcome pupils back to school it's good to look forward to the term ahead. For our Senior Pupils Prelim assessments will be taking place from Monday for the next three weeks. All the details can be found online on our school website [Eyemouth High School - Prelim exams](#). We also have options processes for the current S2,3,4 and 5 for next years' courses in conjunction with Pastoral and Careers staff. More generally messages are around maintaining high standards of uniform, punctuality and attendance across the school in this crucial term.

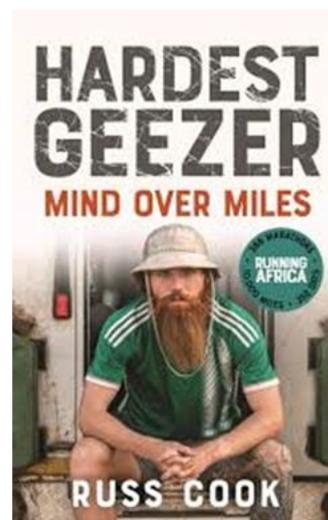
Next week we will be having a special focus on students that are late in the morning. The vast majority of students are doing well and getting in before the first bell at 8:45am. However, there are a significant number of young people that are late, sometimes several times a week, which means they are late for registration or even missing it completely. Can we ask that you speak to your child about the importance of being in on time. This is an important skill that they will need all their lives. Furthermore, by missing registration they will fail to receive vital information and a positive settled start to their day. If they are so late that they miss the start of Period 1 then this will impact on attainment.

If a young person is late, we will speak to them and send you a Groupcall message to make you aware. If they continue to be consistently late, we will be touch with individual parents of students to discuss how to support a move forward in this area.

Mr Chapman

Looking for your next read?

Russ Cook writes his autobiography "Hardest Geezer" starting with brief background from his childhood and teenage years before getting to the main frame. He's a runner who completes epic challenges. The book focusses on his biggest challenge which is running the length of Africa. From South to North he covers 10,000 miles over 352 days. A great entertaining read and rather inspirational for January!



Recommended by Mrs Bewsey

Message from assemblies

Assemblies this week have focussed on key skills and standards for S1-3 – being on time, working as part of a team and focussing on success. S4-6 pupils have been going over Prelim arrangements for next week.

Prelim timetable for week commencing 13.01.25

Day and Date	Morning session	Afternoon session
Monday 13 th January	Geography Higher German Higher German National 5 Practical Cookery National 5 - Written paper	Practical Woodworking Geography National 5
Tuesday 14 th January	Business Management National 5 Business Management Higher	Practical Cookery - Practical (students will be required all day for prep)
Wednesday 15 th January	P.E National 5 P.E Higher	RMPS National 5 RMPS Higher
Thursday 16 th January	English Higher	Computing - Advanced Higher and National 5
Friday 17 th January	Chemistry National 5 Chemistry Higher Chemistry Advanced Higher	

Staffing

For the time being Mrs Brown will continue to be aware from school – current arrangements for covering senior classes with Mrs Macgregor will continue, with junior classes having alternative provision in school.

Exciting news from the allotment!

To help reduce our garden and food waste – while expanding our horticultural learning – we're advancing the scope for composting at school. Our venture formally starts on 6th February with students and staff attending a composting workshop, delivered by our allotment neighbours, Abundant Borders, who have generously donated their time to share their expertise. To support this, Scottish Borders Climate Action Network (SBCAN) have awarded us a grant of £250, which has been matched by a wonderful donation from The Rotary Club of Eyemouth and District, allowing us to purchase a hot composter for the fast composting of biodegradable material into high quality compost.

We hope this will develop into a project that involves the wider community so watch this space for opportunities and updates.



German exchange

We have longstanding links with our exchange School in Pfalzgrafenweiler in the Black Forest. We are hoping to welcome a group of pupils from Germany in September 2025. The plan is to then visit Germany ourselves the following year. The exchange typically runs for one week, with pupils spending time in school and on excursions. If any families are willing to host a young person for a week, please contact Mr B Watson for more information at eyhsbwatson@glow.sch.uk.

Hockey

We look forward to welcoming old and new faces to our hockey training which restarts next week:

Juniors – Tuesday's 3:50pm – 4:50pm

Seniors – Wednesday 3:50pm – 4:50pm

Please come well prepared for these sessions for all weathers!

Keep an eye on fixture lists and the PE noticeboard for any upcoming fixtures and dates for your 2025 diary!

Rugby

Berwickshire Schools resumed training after a break over the Festive period, however the cold weather meant that evening sessions have been cancelled, and the players have been forced to train indoors! The forecast for Saturday the 11th is bleak, but we will all keep our fingers crossed we can get some Rugby played this weekend.

This weekend's games are as follows:

S1 – BS vs Dunbar @ EYHS – 10 AM Kick off.

S2 – BS vs Dunbar @ EYHS – 10 AM Kick off

U15 – Dunbar vs BS @ Dunbar RFC – 10 AM Kick off.

Good luck Boys!

Badminton

Any badminton players who wish to represent Eyemouth High School at the **2025 Borders Secondary School Championships** please come and see a member of the PE Department **before Tuesday 14th January** to ensure you are registered for the competition.

Please see the PE noticeboard for any further information;

When? Sunday 26th January 2025

Where? Earlston High School Games Hall

Competitions: Singles & Doubles

Entry Fee: £6/Person/Event

What's on in PE?

Please see below for our very busy timetable of varying activities in the PE department for students to attend during the week:

**please note that PE kit is required to attend any lunch/after school practical clubs.*

At several extra-curricular clubs this week we have had many discussions regarding appropriate clothing. As we know, the Scottish weather is very unpredictable, so please come to any clubs or fixtures both during and after school prepared for all weathers with:

- Plenty of warm layers that can be added or removed.
- Sport specific equipment; mouthguard, shin pads etc.
- Hat, gloves, scarf.
- Waterproof clothing.
- Any personal medication/inhalers.
- Sun cream.
- A dry change.
- Hair bobbles.
- Plenty of water.
- Food/snacks.

PE Extra-Curricular

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime	S3 Elective/ National 5 Study Support Badminton	S3 School of Rugby S1-3 Netball American Football	National 5/Higher PE Study Support S3 Fitness Suite Hockey Skills	Football	S5 Basketball Gold D of E
After School	Senior Netball	S1/2 Rugby S1/2/3 Hockey	S4/5/6 Hockey S1/2/3 Rugby (6.30pm)		Hockey matches Rugby matches (some Saturday mornings)

Duke of Edinburgh

Mrs Bewsey will be speaking to the S3s next week to give out information about how to sign up for the S3 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award. We will be launching new Bronze groups in February.

Bronze Award involves three sections (skill, service & sport) these require you to be engaged in each activity for at least an hour a week for up to 6 months. This is an extensive commitment and must be completed in the candidate's own time and not during school hours. Upon completing the three sections candidates then undertake their expeditions in May to complete the award.

With our S4 Bronze groups nearing the end of their awards, we'll be moving onto S4 Silver in February. This is structured in the same way as Bronze but candidates spend a longer amount of time on each section. We're planning Silver expeditions in August and September to finish their qualification.

EYEMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

Thursday 6th March 2025

4:00-7:00pm

Open to all S1-S6 pupils & parents

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