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March 21st, 2025

Message from SLT

We are now entering the final phase of our school year – preparation for exams and finishing coursework. It's a busy time and there is lots to do. At the same time final choices for next year's study are due in for the end of the week for S3,4 and 5 and it's always good to see what everyone wants to study and how we can best deliver all of the courses we do to fit as many as possible.

These rhythms of school life remind me that change is always constant – there are often new opportunities and pathways that we did not consider before. We were reminded in assembly that we have to always try and finish well, even if we don't quite achieve what we have been aiming for. This helps give us resilience for the next challenge.

Mr Chapman

Upcoming assessments

Subject	Level	Teacher	Assessment	Date
English	National 5	Mrs Bewsey	RUAE	26.03.25
English	Higher	Mrs Bewsey	RUAE	26.03.25
English	Higher	Mrs Feeny	Paper 2	26.03.25
English	National 5	Mrs Feeny	Paper 2	26.03.35
Chemistry	Higher	Ms Blair	Unit 3	27.03.25
Admin and IT	Higher	Mrs Martin	Assignment	28.03.25
English	Higher	Mrs Feeny	Paper 1	02.04.24
English	National 5	Mrs Feeny	Paper 1	02.04.25

Message from assemblies

Chaplains came in this week and talked about running a good race to the end and perseverance. They encouraged all of us to try hard and to keep our goals in mind – good advice for life!

STEM

Last Thursday (13th) we visited Eyemouth Primary School to introduce Primary One pupils to energy and how it plays a role in their daily lives. We used fun, hands-on activities to demonstrate different types of energy, such as heat and battery power. The pupils engaged in experiments and discussions, learning how energy is present in everyday objects like lights and toys. They showed great enthusiasm, asking questions and sharing their own ideas.

Chloe A and Catriona S, S6, Young STEM Leaders



Enrichment Football Festival

A brilliant afternoon was had by all at our Enrichment Football Festival which took place last Wednesday afternoon which was organised and run by our Senior Sports Leaders! Even the weather played ball!



Upcoming Hockey Dates

- **Friday 21st of March (afternoon) – S3 Tournament** (combination of an S2/3 team) @ **Tweedbank Sports Complex**. Bus will be leaving **after period 4, approximately 12:30pm**, returning at **approximately 17:00pm**.
- **Saturday 22nd of March (morning) – S1 Tournament @ Jedburgh Grammar Campus**. Bus will be leaving at **approximately 07:15am** and returning to the school at **approximately 12 noon**.
- **Friday 28th March – (Selected Seniors only) Berwickshire 7's Tournament @ Berwickshire High School**. **Approx 13:00pm start (warm-up @12:30)**. Own travel to venue must be organised. Details tbc with team this week. Info to follow.

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR ALL OF THESE FIXTURES ON THE PE NOTICEBOARD

Please remember at these tournaments - these will be longer than a regular fixture so come prepared, you will need;

- Hockey stick, shin pads, gumshields
- Yellow socks, black shorts/skort, blue top (this can be provided from PE Dept)
 - Appropriate clothing (waterproofs, change of clothes etc)
 - Water
 - Food - snacks to fuel you through the day
 - Money - there may be a bake sale at the venue
 - Any required medication

Rugby

On Saturday the 15th of March two squads from Berwickshire traveled to local opposition Kelso for some of our last 15 aside games of the season! On a brilliantly sunny day in the Borders, our S1 took on Kelso S1 on the High School Artificial pitch, while a mixed team of U14 and U15's took on Kelso down at Croft Park.

The S1 game was a high scoring one, with both teams showing a willingness to play attacking rugby on a fast pitch. A big thanks needs to go to the Kelso players who put on the Berwickshire jersey to allow the game to go to 15 aside, and provide us with a few subs. A great example of Rugby values on show. After four 15-minute quarters, Berwickshire ran out convincing winners. The S1 captain on the day was Alistair Scott - who led the team well and enjoyed stealing Kelso ball at the breakdown regularly.



The U14/U15 mixed game was a very close encounter as the coaches expected. Both teams U14 players stood up well and enjoyed the challenge of playing with and against older players. Both teams scored some good tries, and with players trying different positions the game was massively beneficial for everyone involved. The game finished with Kelso winning 4 tries to 3 with the opposition getting all of their conversions as well. This was the U14 teams last 15 aside game this season as both squads begin to prepare for 7's season.



This coming Saturday, Duns High School and Duns RFC is hosting a Schools 7's Hub for 4 other Schools in Kelso, Jedburgh, Hawick and Kelso. This Hub is for each school to bring every available player they have at S1-2 and U15 and get them playing some 7 aside rugby. This is in preparation for the South Schools 7s and the Borders Schools 7s series in the coming weeks.

BHS 7's Hub - All players and spectators welcome. Meet at BHS at 9.15am for a 10 am start.

British Science Week

Check out these Science titles in the school library. We have something for everyone!!

From fiction to non-fiction, Physics to Chemistry, we have your Science needs covered.

The library is open at break times as well as after school- come and see us!



Borders Schools' Cross Country Championships

Last Thursday (13th March) 22 students travelled to Netherdale in Galashiels to represent Eyemouth High School at the Borders Cross Country Championships. After some great performances and lots of hard work here are some notable performances:

Henry Hoffman - Senior Boys - 3rd
Senior Boys Team - 1st - Henry Hoffman, Euan Moscrop, Stuart Haddow & William Gillespie
Alasdair Scott - S1 Boys - 5th
Kitty Mykura - S2 Girls - 9th



Library news

Is there a book that you are dying to read?
How about a series you would like to see in
the school library? Please let us know!

We now have a book recommendation box
in the library and we want to hear from you.
Please drop us a note of any books you
want to see in the library and we will do our
best to get them for you!

Thank you to Mr Watson for crafting the



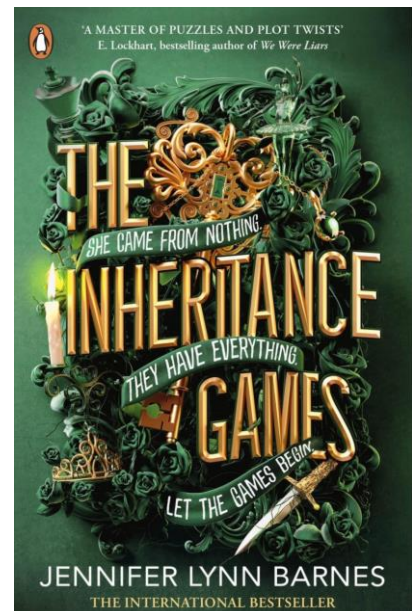
'IT'S A HARD KNOCK LIFE!'

Tickets are on sale for our abridged version of 'Annie' on the 2nd of April!! Our enrichment performance group have only had ten rehearsals to put our little show together but it's looking and sounding super! After the performance there will be a selection of musical numbers from our senior students. £5 adults, £3 under 18's available from the school office!

Looking for your next read?

The Inheritance Games by Jennifer Lynn Barnes is an exciting story full of puzzles and riddles. It follows the story of 17-year-old Avery Grambs, a young woman whose plan is to work hard so she can have a better future. However, her life is flipped upside down when a famous eccentric billionaire dies and leaves almost his entire fortune to her, but Avery has no idea why. In fact, nobody knows why especially the billionaire's 4 grandsons. Forced to move into the mansion she has inherited, Avery is thrust into a deadly game full of secrets, codes and a family determined to discover why Avery was given 'their' money. This book will keep you hooked with excellent plot twists and surprises in every chapter.

Recommended by Heidi



The S3 Horticulture students have been pricking out three varieties of tomato seedlings this week. Some of these plants will be available to buy at the Plant Sale in May 🌱



S6 PSE

This week the S6 PSE classes were visited by Mike Blakeman from Cycling Scotland to deliver a workshop on Road User Awareness.

The training is designed to be the perfect opportunity to step into the shoes of more vulnerable road users, including people on bikes. It aims to provide participants with a greater understanding of their needs.

The course content has been developed with input from a variety of road safety professionals and organisations. It focuses on the risks faced by people walking, wheeling and cycling, and the responsibilities of people driving as defined by the Highway Code.

They watched a number of interesting video clips regarding cars and bike road positioning for optimum safety. One clip we watched involved counting the number of passes a basketball team made and most of us missed the moonwalking bear that crossed the screen! This reinforced how easy it is to be distracted by focussing on one thing and missing an obvious thing.

Extra curricular spotlight

Bring Your Own board games club has seen a great increase in turnout in the last couple of weeks, with people meeting to enjoy a variety of games, including ones they've made themselves! It's a fantastic place to come enjoy a quiet game with your friends, or meet new ones. If you don't have any games that are suitable for travel, there is a variety to borrow, or you can ask to join a game already in play. Why not pop along, any Thursday lunchtime, Eng 05 (Miss A-B's room) bring lunch and get rolling some dice!

Neurodiversity Celebration Week

Last week, Mr Mackenzie used assemblies to speak to pupils about showing kindness by developing our understanding of neurodiversity. Together, we explored the importance of recognising both the challenges and strengths of those who think and learn differently.

Neurodiversity refers to the natural variation in how people's brains work. It includes conditions such as autism, ADHD, dyslexia, and dyspraxia, among others. Rather than viewing these as 'disorders,' **Neurodiversity Celebration Week** encourages us to see them as different ways of thinking, each with unique strengths. Some neurodivergent individuals may excel in creativity, problem-solving, or attention to detail, while others may experience difficulties with organisation, communication, or sensory processing.

There has been a board in the English corridor this week with information about neurodiverse celebrities and messages about how people have managed to turn their different ways of thinking into strengths that have enabled them to become successful in their chosen careers and even world leaders in a variety of disciplines.

On Tuesday, Mr Mackenzie organised a first meeting for parents of autistic pupils. It was really lovely to share some stories and ideas about the challenges some of our young people face and what we may be able to do to make our school even more welcoming and enjoyable in the future. We only invited a few parents for this first meeting, but our next meeting (after the Easter break) will be open to include parents of pupils who are awaiting a diagnosis too. Thank you to Miss Alder-Bateman, Mrs Sumerling and Mrs McDougall Welch for your support with this. I know that many pupils and parents will benefit from your support and knowledge.

Out of School Success

Well done to Kate Fairbairn (S5) who attended the 2025 National Shire Horse Show at Staffordshire County Showground exhibiting her skills!

Kate won the Youth two-wheel cart class. From her efforts throughout out the year at other competitions, Kate accumulated points and because of this won the Youth driving points class. Kate then proceeded to drive in the Ladies two-wheel cart class against older more experienced drivers and came 1st and to top it off, she was reserve two-wheel cart champion. Kate, well done from all at Eyemouth High School!

