NEWS

October 9th, 2026

Message from SLT

This week we have been saying goodbye to Sophie McNeill, who is leaving to take up some exciting business opportunities in the community. Sophie started with us over ten years ago as one of our Additional Needs Assistants, before quickly taking up her role as a Home School Link Worker.

When people leave, we like to celebrate their achievements. Sophie's have been really significant for the school – she has helped our P7 Transitions to run really well with her development of our First Year Friends programme. She has tackled all sorts of data and support to help young people to attend. She has run our Seasons for Growth programme, helping young people who have loss. Not least she has been a brilliant member of our Pupil Support team, show real care and concern for all – she will be much missed and we wish her well. Sophie has been good at so many things and we thank her for them.

One of the speakers from the Berwick Literary Festival, Janie Frampton, challenged our young people to share what they were good at. Some responded brilliantly and others struggled to be able to say publicly what they could do. Janie's career has been spectacular – starting as one of the first professional women referees and ending up running vast programmes for FIFA across the world. (There was a rumour she had sent off David Beckham!) Her message is that we should always be proud and aim for the best in everything. It was inspiring stuff!

I wish everyone a really positive October break, and that each of us might have a chance to do something we're really good at!

Mr Chapman

Upcoming assessments

Subject	Level	Teacher	Assessment	Date
English	National 5	Mrs Feeney	Textual Analysis	26.10.26
English	Higher	Mrs Feeney	Textual Analysis	22.10.26



Media Studies Film making workshop

On Tuesday we were thrilled to welcome Linzi Holliday an Apple Inspire Lead Teacher to deliver a day of workshops for our Media Studies students. Mrs Bewsey's S3, National 5 and Higher candidates received expert tuition in various editing techniques available on their ipads through the iMovie and Adobe Express Apps. The Higher class were then able to apply the skills they'd learned to their individual assignment projects and staged a screening of their short films. The results were fantastic and the session was enjoyed by all.

LIBRARY



New Opening Hours

Monday-Thursday

8.50-1.20

2.00-4.00pm

The library will be **CLOSED** on Fridays after the October break.

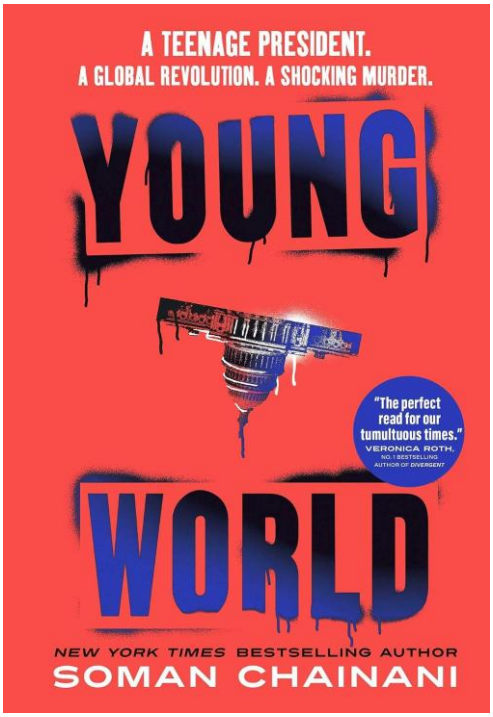




Looking for your next read?

When 17 year old Benton Young uploads a video daring the world to elect him as US President, the video goes viral. Young people have lost all faith in their leaders, and Benton's video ignites a national revolution . . . resulting in Benton as President.

Inspired, young people from across the globe take to the streets, and soon eight of the world's most powerful nations are led by teenagers. Their mission: to set a bold new course for the future. But, on the eve of their first global summit, one of the leaders is murdered in cold blood . . . and Benton is the only suspect.



News from Art

Judges from the Eyemouth Lifeboat visited the school on Wednesday to judge the S1 and S2 Enrichment designs for the Lifeboat Christmas Card competition. Congratulations to Finn, Marcie and Kitty, who were all awarded prizes for their fantastic designs.





A special congratulations also goes to Ayla, whose badge design will be made into a commemorative badge to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Eyemouth Lifeboat. All students' designs will be printed as Christmas cards, which will be available to purchase at the Eyemouth Late Night Shopping event and other events in Eyemouth in the lead-up to Christmas.

Well done to everyone who took part and shared their creativity in support this valued local organisation!

Berwick Literary Festival comes to Eyemouth

We have been incredibly fortunate to welcome a fantastic group of inspirational speakers and writers to our school, thanks to the continued support of the Berwick Literary Festival.

Our pupils had the opportunity to hear from people with very different stories and experiences, but there was one powerful message that connected all three visits: resilience matters, failure is part of the journey, and what really matters is getting back up and carrying on.

We were delighted to welcome Janie Frampton, OBE, who spoke passionately about her remarkable journey in professional football. Janie shared her experiences of working in what has traditionally been a male-dominated environment and the barriers she faced as a woman trying to establish herself in professional football.

Her story was one of determination, perseverance and refusing to allow other people's expectations to define what was possible. She encouraged pupils to recognise that success rarely comes without setbacks and that sometimes the biggest obstacles can ultimately make us stronger. Her journey was a powerful reminder that breaking down barriers often starts with believing that you belong in the room in the first place.



We were also joined by Paul Stevenson, who spoke about his book and his personal journey following his diagnosis of Tourette's. Paul spoke openly and honestly about the challenges he has faced and the importance of understanding, acceptance and perseverance.

Both Janie and Paul left pupils with a particularly important message: it is okay to fail. Failure does not mean that we have reached the end of the road. In fact, it can be an important part of discovering where we are meant to go. The key is to learn from setbacks, pick yourself up and keep moving forward.



Our literary experiences didn't stop there. John Osborne also visited the school to work with some of our S4 pupils in a *Seaside* poetry workshop. Pupils had the opportunity to explore poetry in a creative and engaging way, developing their ideas and experimenting with language and imagery. It was a fantastic opportunity to experience writing from a different perspective and to see how words can be used to capture places, experiences and emotions.

These visits have given our pupils much more than the opportunity to meet authors and speakers. They have provided real-life stories of determination, creativity, courage and resilience, while showing our young people the many different paths that life can take.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the Berwick Literary Festival for making these opportunities possible and for their continued support of our school. The Festival has a strong commitment to bringing literature, creativity and inspiring voices into schools, helping young people engage with words in all their different forms.

We are extremely grateful for the opportunities they continue to provide and look forward to welcoming more inspiring voices into our school in the future.

Graphic Communication
Recent Renders

National 5 have been 3D modelling a range of Lego bricks using Inventor. Then they were learning how to create an environment illustration using these. They had to include Lego bricks, an assembled object, decal of an image on wall, and materials and textures applied to all parts. Check out this rendered illustration created by Mariia – this was produced in a couple lessons. Great effort!



Hockey news

Longridge travelled the short trip to Eyemouth to take on our seniors on Friday. With Eyemouth short of players, some of the senior boys stepped up to make up the numbers. They gave it their best throughout the game and showed a great attitude, taking the opportunity to experience a new challenge and learn lots of new lessons along the way.

The match was full of action, with plenty of penalty corners creating some exciting moments. Eyemouth defended bravely, with goalkeeper **Cameron Haddow** having an excellent game and making some important saves to keep his team in the contest.

Longridge had some very skilful players who showed good control, movement and attacking play, and they eventually came out on top. Despite the result, Eyemouth can take plenty of positives from the match, particularly the determination and willingness of the players to work hard and try something new.



Great to see so many supporters along including parents, grandparents, siblings and classmates to cheer on the team.

Eyemouth 0 – 1 Longridge

Next Fixtures; Eyemouth V Kelso

Friday 9/10/26

This week also sees our senior hockey team take on the senior 'non-players' at 2pm on the astro, come along to see if they are up to the challenge, cheer everyone on and see if you can spot some members of the PE dept on the pitch.

HYROX

Our senior leaders organised a mini Hyrox for our sporting Enrichment students on Wednesday, bringing together elements of running, strength and endurance to see who could put down the best finishing times. The PE dept and leaders were very impressed with everyone's' effort and work rate.







Congratulations to our two winners – Isla Baxendale and Felix Dick!

⭐EYEMOUTH HIGH BEYOND SCHOOL SPORT STARS⭐

Our very first Beyond School Sport Star is ISLA BAXENDALE! ⚽

Isla who is a current S2 has been selected for Hibernian NextGen Academy for Football. This is her 3rd year being selected to play for them. 💚Isla travels to East Lothian and Edinburgh multiple times a week for training and is travelling all throughout Scotland to play against the best players and clubs in the country. 🏴



Isla's dedication to the sport goes far beyond the training itself. The time, effort and commitment involved in travelling to training sessions, alongside the demands of the sport and school, are a real testament to her dedication.

Well Done Isla! 🎉We look forward to following your journey and wish you every success.

🎀If you know someone who could be our next Beyond School Sport Star, please submit all the information below so we can share with the school and community.

https://form.jotform.com/262423624719055

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Geography News

The National and Higher Geography classes have now completed their fieldwork (while the weather is still ok) in order to prepare for their assignment.





The Highers went down to the Eye Water where we gathered lots of data at three different points in the river. The Nationals went down the high street and harbour road in Eyemouth asking questions to the general public and gathering data about the land use and traffic in the area.

Both classes were fantastic and really put in the hard work needed for their assignment. Even when the rain started to hit.





Rugby news

🏉 Emerging Schools Festival | Meggetland 🏉

Yesterday morning, our U13 and U14 boys from Eyemouth & Berwickshire, along with our U14 girls, made the trip up to Meggetland for the first Emerging Schools event of the year. 🙌

It was a fantastic morning of rugby, with plenty of energy, enthusiasm and some brilliant performances from all of our teams. Each squad had the opportunity to play 3 or 4 games throughout the festival, giving everyone valuable game time and the chance to put their skills into practice.





There was some excellent rugby on show, with great attacking play, strong defence, plenty of teamwork and, most importantly, lots of smiles along the way! 👏💪

A huge well done to all our players for their effort, attitude and commitment, and a big thank you to the coaches and organisers who helped make the day such a success.

It's fantastic to see our young players getting out, playing rugby and continuing to develop together. We're already looking forward to the next one! 🔴⚫🏉
Well done, everyone! 👏

It would be great to see some new and old players attending rugby training with Ethan!

Mondays: @Eyemouth is 6-7.30 for all age groups

Wednesdays: @ Duns for U16 6-7.30

SCHOOLS EVENT

SCOTTISH MARITIME CLUSTER

MARITIME PATHWAYS

Your future could start at sea.

22 OCTOBER 2026

EYEMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

S3 Eyemouth students take part during periods 6 & 7

DESIGN IT. BUILD IT. TEST IT.

Take on the team boat challenge and see if your vessel floats.

WHAT TO EXPECT

1. **See where maritime could take you**
   Watch a careers video packed with possibilities.
2. **Meet people working in the industry**
   Hear from apprentices and young professionals about their journeys.
3. **Make something with your team**
   Design, test and present a small vessel together.

EMPLOYERS AND ORGANISATIONS

Clyde Marine Training, Caledonian Maritime Assets
Royal Navy, Berwickshire Marine Reserve

Explore careers. Try STEM skills. Bring your ideas.