



BRECHIN HIGH SCHOOL WEEKLY BULLETIN

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CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF SERVICE AT BRECHIN HIGH



Miss Crighton has been working for over 25 years, 8 years at a primary school and 18 years at Brechin Highschool as a highly valued member of our school staff. In this interview, we found out more about her and her unique life.

Miss Crighton has many favourite things, some of which being tablet, Tie a Yellow Ribbon Round the Ole Oak Tree by Tony Orlando and Dawn, and spending time with her family at home. She was also hailed as the 2nd Year Athletic Champion, spends her time playing video games such as Fortnite, Mario Kart, and Animal Crossing, and watching Youtube and Midsommar Murders. Her favourite decade is the 1970s, her favourite celebrities are Ant and Dec, and the social media phrase that confuses her the most is “rizz”. If Miss Crighton was stuck on a desert island, she’d find no issue finding peace as long as she had the resources she needs.

After working as a primary school teacher for primary 1 and 2, she changed to work in Highschool and found her skill of connecting with students, learning with various different departments every day, and supporting kids by understanding them. To start her day, she checks her timetable as ASN teacher’s timetables are constantly modified. Other teachers value her as a member of staff, constantly helping out when needed and are honoured to have worked with her for 18 years. Miss Crighton wishes that schools would have more resources to give their students an extra-ordinary education, highlighting how lucky Brechin High School is compared to other schools, especially our access to every student and teacher owning a chromebook.

Any bits of wisdom you’d give students of Brechin High School?

“If you have good manners, it will take you further than you assume.”



Monday 21st September	<i>S4 Parents Evening</i>
Wednesday 23rd September	<i>S1 Settling in Report</i>
Tuesday 29th September	<i>BGE Curriculum Evening</i>



Columba 1400
Celebrating Our 25th Year Anniversary



Exciting Opportunity for S3 Pupils: Columba 1400

We are delighted to be working alongside Columba 1400 this year! Our S3 pupils will be offered a fantastic opportunity to take part in this inspiring program, kicking off on Monday, 14th September.

- Information was sent out via Groupcall last week. Please check your messages for full details.

Brechin High School is looking forward to seeing our young people engage with this memorable experience!



Welcoming Mrs. McDonald to the Breachin High Family!

We are thrilled to welcome Mrs. McDonald to Brechin High School as PCS teacher for DUN house. She joins us after previously teaching at Monifieth High School. A former Home Economics teacher who loves cooking in her free time, she has settled in brilliantly!

Here is a quick get-to-know-you Q&A with one of our newest team members:

- **First Impressions:** Mrs. McDonald loves the ethos at Brechin High, sharing that everyone has been exceptionally kind and friendly.
- **Colleagues:** A special shout-out goes to Mrs. Murray-Blair and the entire PCS team, who have been incredibly welcoming and supportive.
- **Favorite Joke:** "What do you call cheese that isn't yours? Nacho cheese!"

Please join us in giving Mrs. McDonald a warm Brechin High welcome when you see her around the school!

Say Hello to Our Newest Member of the English Department

Miss MacMillan!



What inspired you to become a teacher?

I had a really good maths tutor who had my back and it showed me that having someone to believe in you makes a big difference.

What do you love about teaching English?

I love hearing all the pupils' amazing ideas and seeing them get creative.

What advice would you give to students to do the best they can?

Remember that at the end of the day it's your learning, try to focus on you and your work, and always be kind and helpful to others.

Do you have any pets?

I have a dog, Flynn the Labradoodle.

What is your favourite book?

'White Noise' by Don DeLillo

Do you have any hobbies?

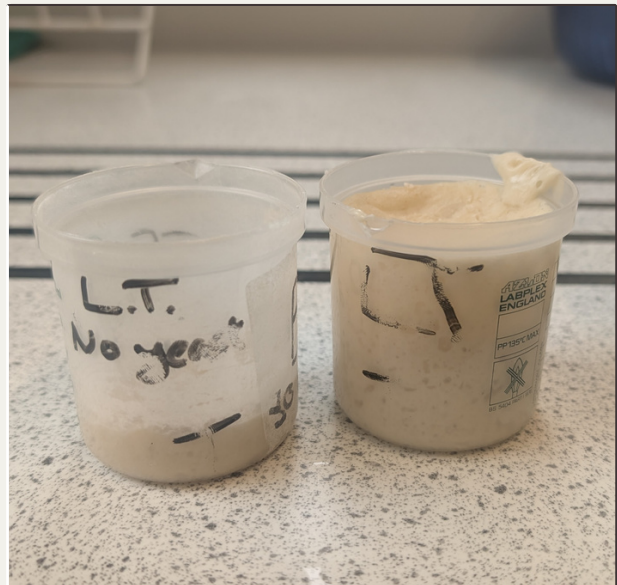
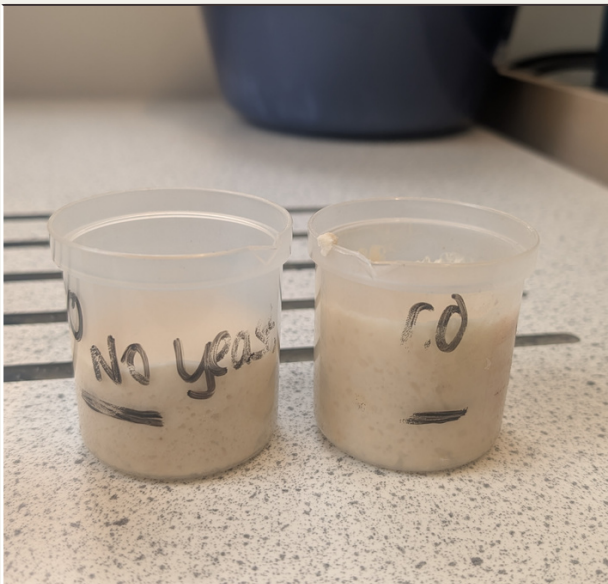
I love running at the moment.



To Yeast or Not to Yeast?

Brechin High's Tasty Science Experiment!

Our ASN Science class have been making bread and have experimented with yeast and no yeast to see which one rises more.





Congratulations Ruby!

Forfar Farmington took home the Caroline Weir Cup following a thrilling 3-2 victory against Dunfermline at Blairgowrie's Davie Park.

A huge shoutout to our very own Ruby Forfar, who captained the team all the way to their well-deserved win!

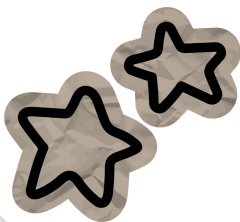


School Library News!

Last Tuesday, gallus S6 student, Daniel, joined the mighty Matthew Fitt on set at National Trust for Scotland's House of Dun to film his scenes in Matthew's new poetry project: a film adaptation of Violet Jacob's heartrending poem, 'Hallowe'en'.



'Hallowe'en' is a deeply movingly reflection on the death of Violet's only child, Harry, at the Battle of the Somme. In the midst of cheery Hallowe'en celebrations, the words may be interpreted as being spoken not by Harry's mother but rather a bothy loun (played by Daniel), mourning the loss of his friend - the house's head horseman - and who can take no joy from the children's festivities.





School Library News!

The brilliant children from Maisondieu Primary School and singer, Hannah Rarity, also have starring roles! Can't wait to see the finished film: directed by @rcsofficial luminary, Mr Kieran McLaughlin. We mustn't forget to acknowledge the film crew too.

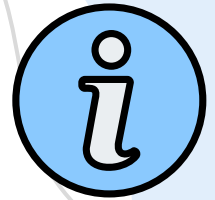
I'm SO proud of Daniel, and so chuffed for BHS library to play even a small part in this wonderful project. Daniel's costume was borrowed from our Drama Dept - thank you very much, Mrs Adam!

Look out for Matthew's film on the Scots Hoose Yaldi website / YouTube around about the close of October; just in time for Hallowe'en.

And, check out Daniel's previous collab with Scots Hoose Yaldi, when (along with fellow S6, Lewis) he recorded, 'The Field by the Lirk o' the Hill' for their amazing multimedia artefact.



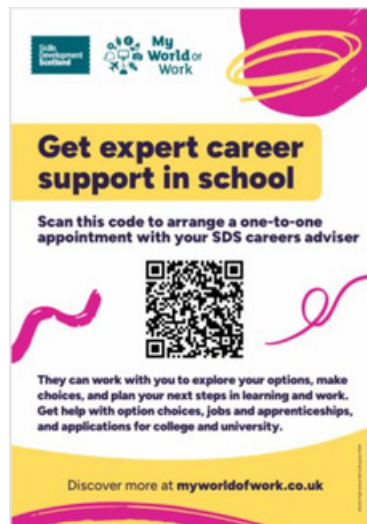
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Mary Welsh, our Careers Adviser, supports S1–S6 pupils by offering guidance through assemblies, group work, and individual appointments. Careers support is available to all pupils, who can request a one-to-one session at any time, or they can request to come along with a friend.

Pupils and Parents can request a career appointment and can use the QR code (see below) or email gw18welshmary@angusschools.org.uk

Mary also offers appointments for parents and pupils, both during the school day and out with school hours, to support those who may find daytime attendance challenging. Meetings can take place in person or via Microsoft Teams.



What's Mary been busy doing in school so far this term?

Senior Phase

In June Mary delivered an induction assembly for the new S5 pupils and visited all S4, S5 and S6 PSE classes/assemblies to highlight the support available to them in school.

To encourage pupils to consider their career planning and book an appointment during the academic year, Mary spoke with them about where they feel they currently are in the following areas:

- Explore different Careers
- Planning for leaving school
- Routes & Pathways
- Subject Choice
- o Overcoming challenges
- Identify Opportunities
- o Make informed Choices
- o Work Experience
- o Researching the job Market (LMI)
- CV & Cover Letters
- Applications & Interviews

Mary has been focusing on appointments in August with S6 pupils and S4/S5 leavers so far this month. This will continue in September.

BGE

In June, Mary supported the P7 transition programme, where pupils took part in a range of discussions and activities centred on Career Management Skills and Metaskills (see pictures below). Pupils had the chance to reflect on themselves, exploring 'self' and 'strengths', and identifying when and how they use their Metaskills.

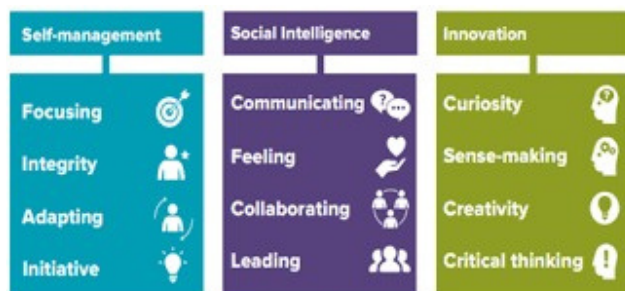
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Now the S1 pupils have their Chromebooks, Mary our Career adviser will be working with all the S1 pupils to get them registered on My WorldofWork, (Scotland's National online Career Information and Advice platform). Pupils will start working on their Learner Profile (see information leaflet below).

Scotland's Learner Profile

The Learner Profile is a free, easy-to-use tool developed by Skills Development Scotland in partnership with Education Scotland.

Shaped by learners and educators across Scotland

Developed with the Profiling Achievements National Co-design Group, the learner profile tool supports confident storytelling and helps learners express their strengths, interests, and aspirations. It helps young people:

- capture who they are
- highlight what they enjoy
- share what they're aiming for.

Scan the QR code to explore how the tool can support learners

Real-time insights for educators

Profile sharing and institution-level reporting provide educators and school leaders with real-time insights into learners' progress. This data helps inform curriculum design, supports targeted planning, and ensures every learner receives the right support at the right time.

Key benefits

- Free, learner-owned, and portable** - travels with the learner through their journey
- Captures a richer picture of learning and achievement** - from all settings, not just academic but personal and practical too
- Institution-level reporting via the 16+ Participation Portal** - offers valuable insights into skills development and progression at both the local authority and individual school and year group levels.



Song Recommendations!!!

People around school have been asked to recommend a song they like, check them out, and you might discover something new for yourself!



Disease
- by Lady Gaga

★ from Owyn

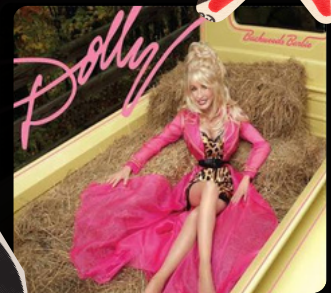
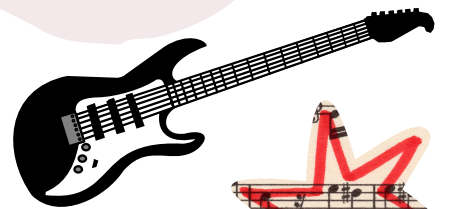


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Better Get To Livin'
- by Dolly Parton

from Ms McVey



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Great Expectations
- by Sienna Spiro

from Grace

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**Open to
submissions!!!**





Puzzle Corner

Glen (S3) has created this weeks puzzle, how fast can you find these words?

K T A G J G C H P Z R V Q K U
C S P R B G N R H K Y F P Y V
O S P F L V D O O R C A H T X
N T E A D I C H A R M S O Z M
T E A I E R G K Y O G A T D D
E E R L L N W H L Y M F O A P
M P A L A M S N T C D A G Z Y
P H N U Y V D X W E A R R C Z
O S C D Y I A B H B R I A S H
R T E K B T R I Q V M Z P N W
A U B A B U K Q L R C H H D L
R D P N V I T N J A W K Y F R
Y I B S A I A T A T B Z K P T
M O V J U J I B O G Q L K J W
D Z P Z T K Q E K N E D E U M

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