# Grange Academy Bulletin

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3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020

#### Future Fest 2020

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What an amazing success this was! Thank you to all parents and carers who came along; to all our partner businesses; and to Miss Hagan and her team.







# Public Speaking Winners

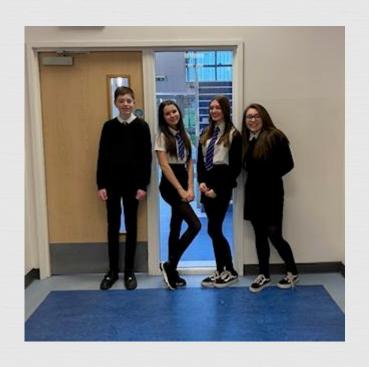




Congratulations to Hannah, Lauren and Lucy who were successful in the Ayrshire semi-final of the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service Public Speaking Schools Competition at the Sheriff Court. They're through to the next round!

#### Holocaust Memorial Day





Thank you and well done to Caitlin, Phoebe, Bethan and Dylan who attended the candle-lighting ceremony at East Ayrshire Council Headquarters last week to mark Holocaust Memorial Day.

# Tomáš Černý

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Thank you to Aberdeen F.C. goalkeeper, Tomáš Černý, for coming to visit pupils in the PE Department last week.

#### Barclays Life Skills





A group of S3 pupils joined pupils from other schools at the Barclays Life Skills workshop at Ayrshire College last week.

#### NPA Sports Development





Well done to Sports
Development pupils for
their continuing work
with Annanhill Primary
pupils.

#leadership

#### Ayrshire Confucius Hub

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A group of S1 Mandarin pupils joined language learners from South and North Ayrshire at last week's celebration of Chinese New Year.



#### Nicholas





Well done to Nicholas who brought some musical cheer to the Park Run last week.

### Road Safety

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We have had a call from a member of the public who was driving on Bonnyton Road the other day. She had to slam on her brakes as a Grange boy walked straight out in front of her car. The boy was wearing airpods and obviously couldn't hear the traffic. The driver, who had a child in the car, got a real fright, as did the pupil.

Please pay attention when crossing the road – look carefully, and make sure you are not putting yourself in danger through phone and earphone use.

# Sanitary products

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Girls, a quick reminder that you are entitled to free sanitary products.

They're in the room up from the Guidance office – second door from the end of the corridor.

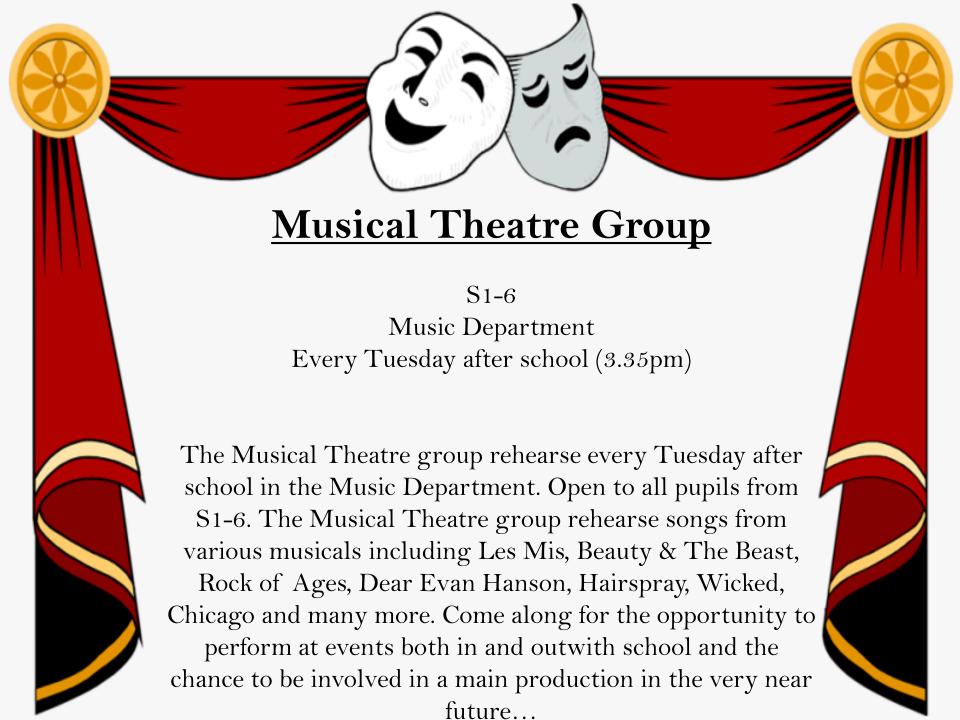
You don't have to ask permission to take them – just help yourself. The school supply is not just for emergencies only - it's ok to take enough to do you for a while.

#### Harry Potter Day

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A quick reminder for those who signed up for the Harry Potter Day celebration: it's today so bring your lunch to the library at the start of lunchtime.

No muggles allowed!



#### BSL Lunch Club

The BSL Lunch Club won't be on this week - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February but will be back on next week - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February

Anyone who's interested can still come along to meet new friends and learn an amazing new language!

Thanks.

Aiden, S6.







#### Sign Of The Week



"Thank you."





# Kind or a Bully?

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The way that you speak <u>to</u> other pupils – and <u>about</u> other pupils – says a great deal about who you are as a person.

Don't speak other people's names in nastiness on Social Media. That shows *your* character flaws – not theirs.

Before you use someone else's name nastily in a tweet, message, Tik Tok, Instagram or Snapchat, imagine you were face to face with that pupil's parents and your own...would you still be brave enough to put your meanness on public display then?

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When our bulletins end with "work hard; be kind" each week, it's because these are such important basics of how to live life. Kindness is not optional. It's weird behaviour to choose to be mean.

If you find yourself caught up in a nasty Social Media thread, STOP MESSAGING. Stay out of it. Don't try to justify yourself; don't try to get your own back; don't try to involve other people. Go quiet. Be dignified. Show your smarter side.

And if you are someone whose words hurt people – take a look at yourself. Please go to your parents or Guidance and say, "I've been behaving like a bully – show me how to stop." We can help you quit.

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If you have been involved in online unpleasantness at home, don't dream of bringing it into school the next day please.

School is for learning in a kind, respectful, safe environment. Let's keep online meanness off our campus so that we can all stay focused on our learning.

Thank you.

# Have a good week, Grange

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Work hard.

Be kind.