



GRANGE ACADEMY BULLETIN

30th November 2020

OUTDOOR LITERACY



Some S3 pupils were rehearsing their literacy skills last week in an outdoor context. We're seeing progression in vocabulary, listening and talking skills. Well done, all!

SENIOR BUDDYING

We've been very impressed by the quality of some of the mentoring we're seeing from our Senior Buddy team. Thanks for your leadership and service, everyone.

Pictured: Ian, Eryn and Ellie working with S1 pupils on English.



GIFTS FROM YOUR PARENT COUNCIL!

Thanks to everyone who replied to the survey asking pupils to decide how the Parent Council's fundraising money should be spent. The parents were delighted to hear your thoughts and are so pleased to help out.

They are buying you new guitars, new headphones, prefect badges, and a new set of outdoor basketball stands!



E-SGOIL (PRONOUNCED E-SKOL)

e-Sgoil is an online Scottish school offering an initial 8-week webinar programme of real-time, interactive study support for Scottish school pupils in the Senior Phase.

The webinars will focus on key aspects of the subject(s). They take place once a week and last 45 minutes.

This is a wonderful way to approach supported study. If you are interested in more details, please see Mr Cowan.



SENIOR PHASE ASSESSMENT

Higher and Advanced Higher pupils:

This week, you will receive a calendar of January assessments. There will be no whole-paper assessments before Christmas. There will be none in the first week back after the holidays.

National 5 pupils:

Before Christmas, you will receive a calendar of assessments. This will help you to plan out your study between January and May so that it's easier for you to see what's coming up when. You will have no major assessments in the first week after the Christmas holidays.

MESSAGE TO PREFECTS:

Please look out for an e-mail from your team leaders inviting you to a planning meeting. The teams are: Health and Wellbeing; Study Skills; School and Community; Social Opportunities; Pupil Voice.

If you have not yet received your badge, you can collect it at the meeting.

Thanks,

Mrs Brotherston



Bronze DofE

Any 3rd year pupil interested in doing the Duke of Edinburgh Award should attend a meeting with Mr Livingstone in PE on Monday 30th November at break! (That's today!)

Why do your DofE?

So why should you do your DofE?

It's hard to list all the benefits of achieving your Bronze Award, so here's a quick snapshot. You'll...

- Have lots of fun
- Get healthier and happier
- Meet incredible people and make lasting friendships
- Have amazing new experiences
- Find talents and passions you didn't know you had
- Gain skills that employers value, which you can use on your CV
- Become more confident and independent
- Stand out from the crowd in college, university and job applications
- Make memories that will last a lifetime.



"As an actor I know how much Award holders' experiences and the skills they've developed matter. Without determination and passion I wouldn't be where I am today." **Benedict Cumberbatch**, actor.



"Life doesn't naturally happen, you've got to get involved. What better way to do that than do your DofE. As an employer I want to work with people who have a range of skills and can see things through." **Deborah Meaden**, entrepreneur.

HAVE A GREAT WEEK, GRANGE.

Work hard. Be kind.