

Grange Academy Bulletin

13th September 2021

Weronika



Over the last fortnight, several teachers have nominated Weronika Srebro, S6, for special recognition. Weronika exemplifies what it looks like when a senior pupil takes responsibility for making the best of their Volunteering column. She has been buddying S1s; helping in Drama lessons; organising resources in Home Economics; leading S1 basketball games; working in the school library; helping S3 pupils in the Tech workshops; and helping to make the school photograph process run smoothly. Thank you for your outstanding service to the school, Weronika.

#RoleModel #Responsibility

S1 Literacy

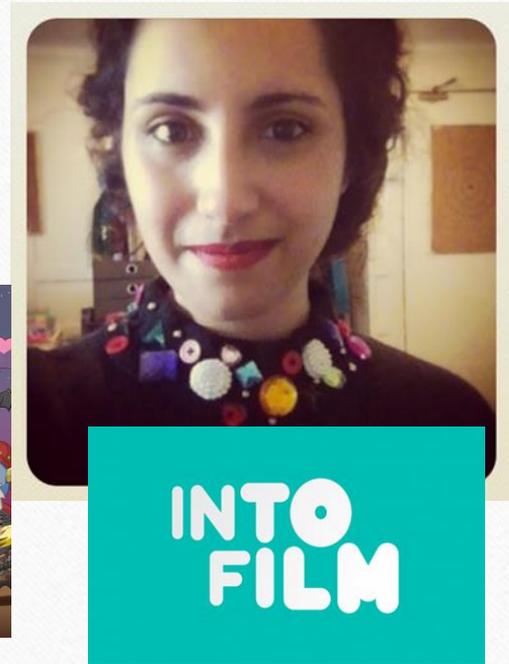
There's no better place to be inspired than outdoors! S1 Literacy classes have created characters using natural materials – they'll become the stars of their short stories.



S2 Literacy

S2 Literacy classes are learning how to create a story without writing! Keep a look out for our comic book creations and short films.

We will be working with comic book creator Neil Slorance and film maker Yasmin Al-Hadithi. Exciting!



S2 English

Euan, Freddy and Calum have been reading and comparing novels by David Baddiel.

The writer “liked” their tweet about the opening paragraph of ‘Birthday Boy’.



Hola. Bonjour. Nǐ hǎo.



We had a wee visitor to the Modern Languages Department last week. Many thanks to our very own ‘squirrel whisperer’, Declyn, who saved the day (and the squirrel) by carefully returning it to its natural habitat.

#responsibility

S3 Spanish

S3 Spanish pupils have engaged superbly playing "un boli, un dado" to practise translation skills.

Also, a big shout out to Yousif who was last week's Kahoot champion!

¡Enhorabuena! #TakingPart





Zhōng qiū jié

中秋节

Mid-Autumn
Festival

21st September

- *Listen to the legend story of the festival*
- *Learn about different kind of Moon cakes*
- *Taste Chinese tea*

Invitation to S2 pupils to join the Mid-Autumn party on Tuesday, 21st September.

12:20 -1:10 @ G158 Mrs. Jiang's classroom.

If you are interested in joining the party, please sign up with Mrs Jiang on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday Junior lunch time 12:20-1:10. (limited spaces available)

S1 History

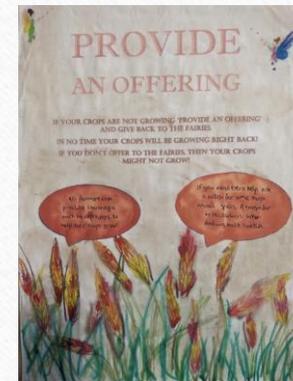
Mr. MacDonald's S1 historians have been learning about the history of witchcraft! These posters are a fascinating glimpse into how people used to think.



Dylan Craig



Ava Hunter



Eilidh Cooke

Scientist of the Month Awards



Congratulations to the winners of the Science Department's Pupil of the Month Awards:

- S1 Neve Garrick 1B1
- S2 Brodie Walker 2H2
- S3 Ali Rahman 3D1
- S4 Andrew Bruce 4H1
- S5 Lara Gillies 5H2
- S6 Christine Clermont 6G1

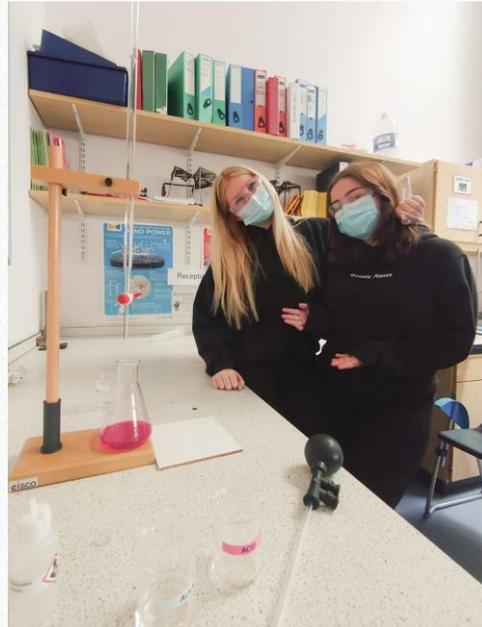
S1 Science



Congratulations to Jenna Dunsmuir, S1, who was Mrs. Bremner's challenge question winner last week.

Senior Chemistry

S4 scientists were doing analytical chemistry last week.



And check out the Higher class's bonding continuum washing line!

Advanced Higher Physics

Mrs. Williamson's Advanced Higher physicists have been learning about angular momentum.

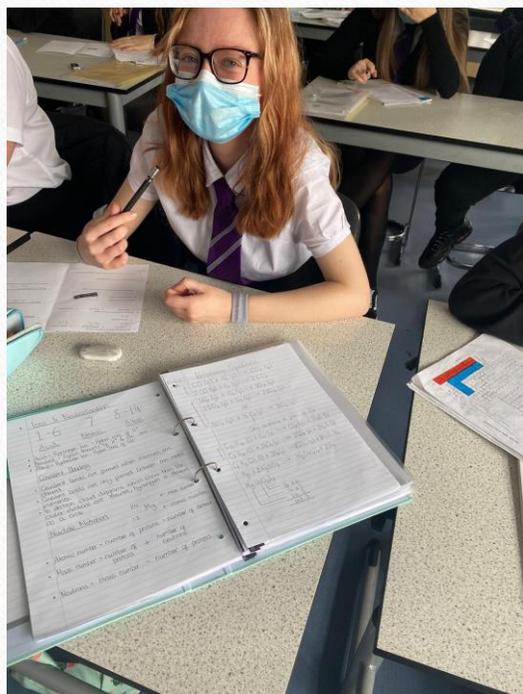


Advanced Higher Biology



Advanced Higher biologists have been using ‘The Quiz Quiz Trade Game’ to consolidate their learning.

Carmen



Carmen Lewis, S4, is a studying role model. She has been independently condensing her National 5 Chemistry notes at home as a way of absorbing all that new information.

#responsibility

#excellence

#ambition

S4 Practical Cookery

Our S4 chefs have been making lemon meringue pies.



Grange Artists

Park School, Kilmarnock Academy and Grange Academy pupils were invited to create a piece of personal artwork in response to Grayson Perry, *The Vanity of Small Differences*, an Arts Council Touring exhibition exploring group identities through objects, choices, tribes and belonging.

‘My Tribe’ is a collection of artworks providing a snapshot impression of the objects through which these young people choose to express their identities today.



Grange Artists

The exhibition is running until the 23rd October at the Young People's Gallery at the Dick Institute.

We are so proud of our Grange pupils involved. Please go and see the wonderful exhibition and support our talented young people.



Alumni

It's always a pleasure to hear from former pupils about their lives post-school.



Louise Howie is now a sign language interpreter.



Grant Walsh is now Assistant Director for *Singin' in the Rain* in London's West End.



Euan Strachan is now in the army.

Maths Week Scotland



It's that time of year again! BBC Bitesize have been in school filming Maths puzzles with Mr. Smith.

These will be played in Maths lessons across the country later in the year.

Kirsty: Active Schools

Our Active Schools Co-ordinator, Kirsty, will be visiting S4 PSE tomorrow to tell you all about the 'Active Schools and Grange Academy Leadership Academy'.

She is looking for approximately 6 male and 6 female candidates interested in sport and generic leadership opportunities. She'll hand out the role remit and application forms to anyone interested.



We are Allies

If you identify as transgender and would like to help make Grange an even more inclusive environment for trans people then we'd love to hear from you!

Please give your name to your guidance teacher or Mr. Alldridge. The first group meeting will take in the library during period 7 on Thursday the 30th of September.



Health and Safety in the Science Labs

- Please keep your water bottle in your bag when in your science classes - we cannot eat or drink in the labs.
- Anyone in sportswear or hoodies will not be able to take part in practical activities due to the health and safety risks associated with these types of clothing and will need to remain seated throughout the activity. Please wear your school uniform so we can create a safe environment for you and your classmates to engage in the experiments and investigations your teachers carefully plan.
- If you have any questions or are unable to access full school uniform, please see Mrs. McLean.

September Break

School closes at 3:35 on Thursday
16th and reopens on Tuesday 21st
September at 08:45.

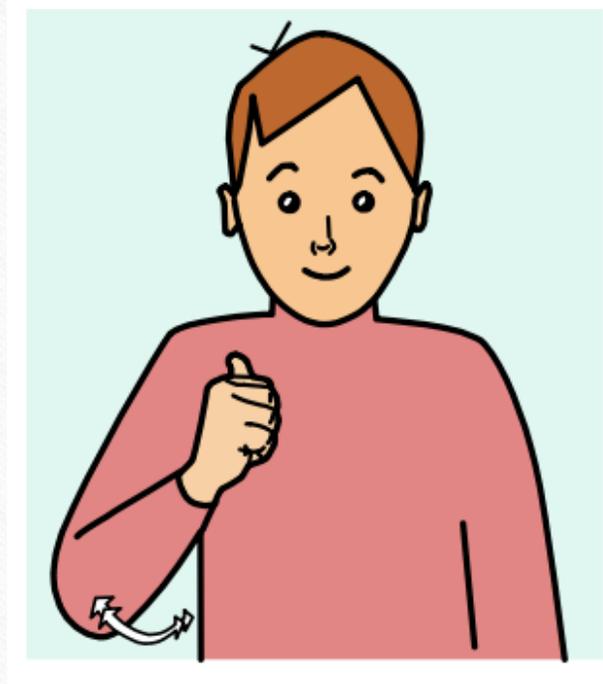


BSL Sign of the Week

Kyle Watson (S2) chose his favourite BSL sign for this week's bulletin.

It's "Scotland".

You sign by bending your elbow with your fist at your shoulder, then move your elbow in and out as if you are squeezing a bagpipe



Have a Great Week, Grange

Work hard.

Be kind.