



GRANGE ACADEMY WEEKLY BULLETIN

30th January 2023

WEEKLY PUZZLE

Let's get our brains warmed up with a quick riddle. Can you solve it?

What well-known phrase is represented by the graphic below?



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A NOTE FROM PC MCPIKE

Pupils are reminded to be respectful of local residents and their property when they are off campus.

This includes: entering gardens, dropping litter and vandalism.

This is anti-social behaviour and will not be tolerated within our school or the local community.

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SCHOOL DUX 2022

Grange Academy is delighted to share the news that this year's School Dux is Hannah Martin in 6D1.



Over the course of her Senior Phase, Hannah has achieved an exceptional range of qualifications including **5 Highers in S4, 4 Advanced Highers and 2 Highers in S5** and this year is studying towards a further **4 Advanced Highers**.

In addition, she has also supported others in their learning through supported study, resource packs and tutoring.

Mr Robertson and Mr Cowan met with Hannah and her family to celebrate this success and present her with the School Dux Award.

Congratulations, Hannah!

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EAST AYRSHIRE YOUTH AWARDS

On top of her fantastic success, Hannah Martin was also awarded the **Inspiring Young Person of the Year** at the East Ayrshire Youth Awards last week.

If Hannah achieves all of her qualifications this session, she will be the most/highest qualified pupil ever in any Scottish school!

Congratulations again, Hannah – we are all so proud of you!



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BRONZE DOFE

Any 3rd year pupil interested in doing the Duke of Edinburgh award should attend a meeting with Mr Livingstone on Tuesday 31st January in the Games Hall at 1.30pm.

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.

S4 PUPILS

We have a link with Glasgow University for two of their programmes which work with young people who are interested in specific careers and degree programmes.

If you are thinking of going to university at the end of S5/S6 and have an interest in one of these careers, please see Mrs Quinn at 1.45pm today in F069 (at the end of the H.E. corridor)

Dentistry
Law
Medicine
Vet Medicine
Accounting and Finance
Engineering
Primary Teaching

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JUNIOR GIRLS' FOOTBALL



Congratulations to the juniors girls' team who have now qualified for the National Finals after winning last week's event at Hamilton!

A big thanks to our senior leaders Mary and Roberta who have helped with the team all year.

A reminder to all S1 - S3 girls that training takes place every Monday after school. Come along and get involved!

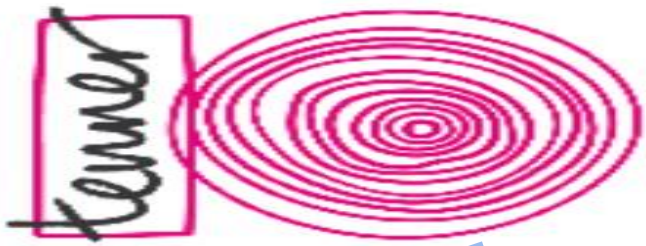
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TEN POUNDS FOUR WEEKS ONE GOAL

Communication

Confidence

Creative
Problem Solving

Growth
Mindset

Adaptability

Business
Awareness

Teamwork

Financial
Capability

Could you be Alan Sugar's future apprentice?

If you are currently in S3, would like to find out more and be part of a winning team, come along to a meeting in S032 (Business Education) at 1.30pm tomorrow (Tuesday 31st January)

"The best part about the 10X Challenge is that it gave us an opportunity to wake up and do something different than just school and studying and prove that we could create something successful, profitable, and meaningful." YOUNG PERSON

The challenge will take place over
4 weeks:
27th February - 24th March



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U14s SCOTTISH CUP

Another great result for our U14s team in the 4th round of the Scottish Cup.

Renfrew High School 4 - 5 Grange Academy

It was an amazing game against a strong Renfrew team. Great comeback from the boys!

Goals from McKenzie, Struan, Zander and Jack.

Referee's Player of the Match: Zander
Mr Adams' Player of the Match: McKenzie
Mr Ralston's Player of the Match: Evan D



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UWS FOUNDATION ACADEMY

What is the UWS Foundation Academy?

The University of the West of Scotland (UWS) is proud to deliver the UWS Foundation Academy, for senior school pupils across the West of Scotland.

This exciting initiative gives school pupils the opportunity to experience studying at university level, develop academic skills in a specific subject area, and improve the quality of their university application.

Following a successful pilot in AY 2022/23 with schools in Ayrshire, Renfrewshire, and Lanarkshire, the Foundation Academy is now expanding and offered to target schools across the West of Scotland.

The University of the West of Scotland is running an initiative that gives senior school pupils the opportunity to access the university pathway of their choice, allow them to develop academic skills in a specific subject area, and improve the quality of their university application.

S5 pupils can sign up to the programme in February 2023 and take part in a campus event in June with the module being delivered in school in the Autumn when they are in S6.

For more information, speak to Ms McBride or scan the QR code to download a flyer.

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BARISTA VALENTINE'S EVENT

Check out this poster for details of a Valentine's Coffee event run by our barista team.

For more information, please speak to Ms Baird or Mrs Hill.

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Valentine's
Coffee Event



7/2/23
Period 4-5

DRINKS
Latte
Cappuccino
Mocha
Hot Chocolate
Smoothie

FOOD
Cupcake
Shortbread
Cookies



Hosted By
The Barista Team

S1/2 Craft Lunchtime Club

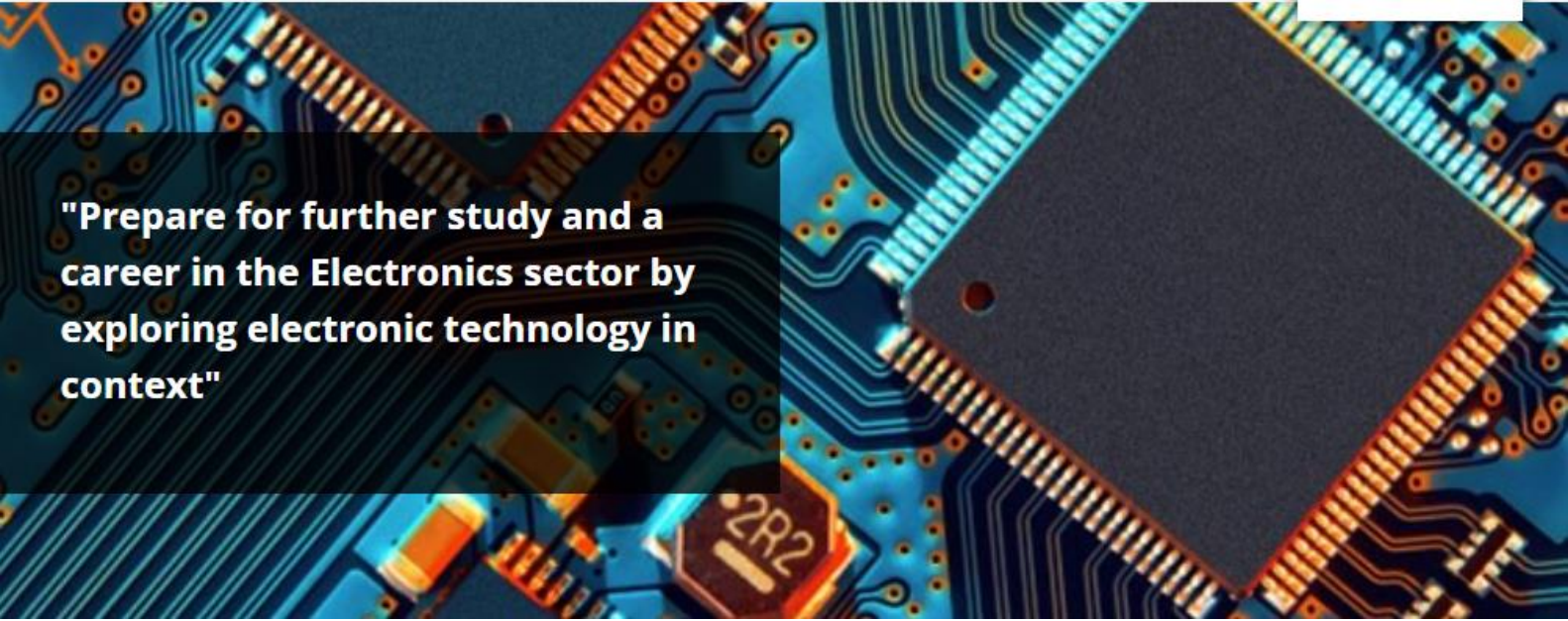
Recycling Club
TUESDAY'S in G182
@ 13:20



If you are interested in making items in the workshop and working with recycled materials, why not come along?

The Parent Council have kindly bought us some equipment to run this club. We will be learning to recycle plastic to make exciting new products!





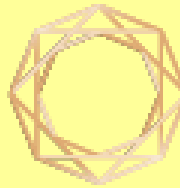
"Prepare for further study and a career in the Electronics sector by exploring electronic technology in context"

An Introduction to Electronic Engineering

S4 – S6 (15+)

If you have ever wondered about how electronic devices actually work then this could be the course for you. It will grant you an insight into the exciting subject of Electronic Engineering and may change your life forever!

The **UK Electronics Skills Foundation (UKESF)**, the



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TRAINING AWARD
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have collaborated with



to provide

this short introductory course.

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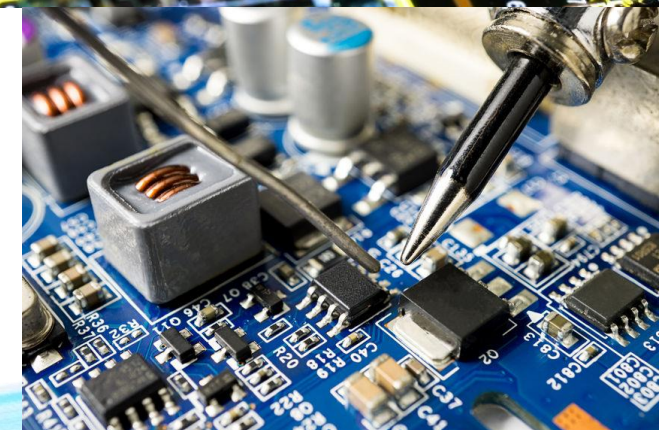
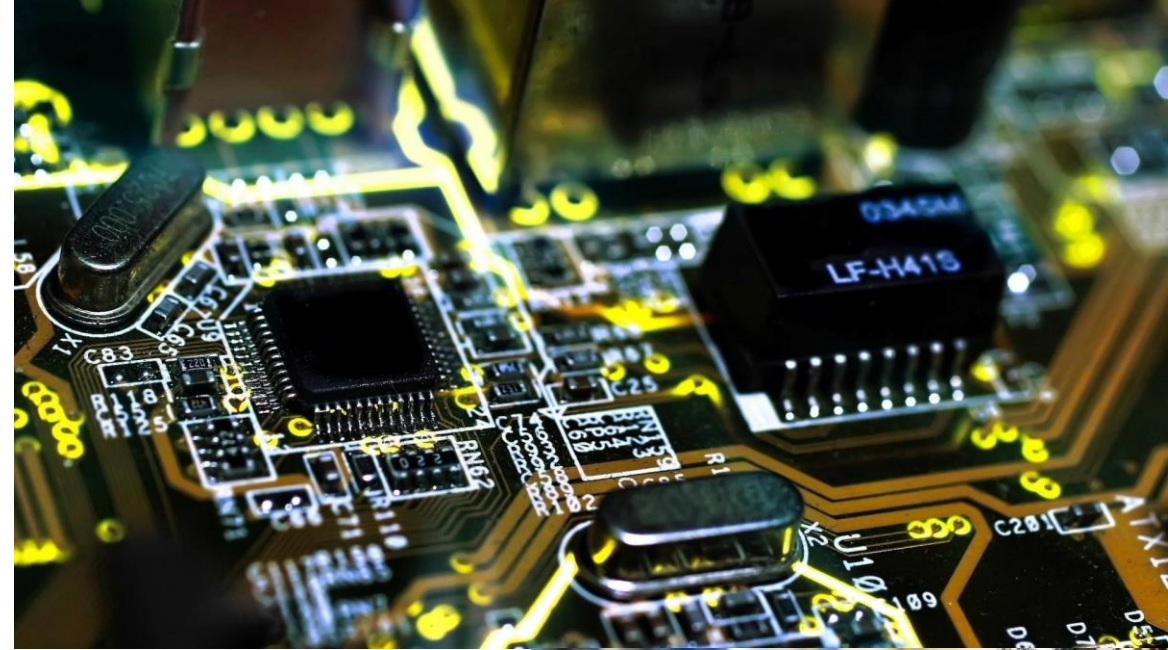
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This **free** online course will give you an idea of the wonders and excitement that Electronic Engineering offers.

It may help you make an informed decision about potential career choices and degree subject, and strengthen your application for university, college, or an apprenticeship.

The course takes approximately three hours a week over three weeks, and is self-paced.
(Work at your own rate!)



If you are interested go to this address, or scan the QR code.

<https://www.ukesf.org/schools/things-we-are-doing/an-introduction-to-electronic-engineering/>

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UK Electronics
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MR SMITH ON THE RADIO!

If any of our pupils listen to Colin Murray on BBC Five Live, or TalkSport with Ally McCoist and Laura Woods... they might have heard a familiar voice last week.

Our very own Mr Smith was interviewed about "The Marvel in Darvel" - a follow up to the incredible Scottish Cup shocker of sixth tier Darvel FC beating premier league Aberdeen!

If you missed it, catch up at the link below, or scan the QR code.

<https://youtu.be/8q3fPUgMyYE>



EMA REMINDER – DON'T MISS OUT!

Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) gives financial support to eligible 16 - 19 year olds who want to continue learning.

You may also be eligible for EMA if you are on an Activity Agreement placement.

EMA is a weekly payment of £30 for students who are planning to continue in post-compulsory education from August 2022.

Payments will be made directly into your bank account.

If your date of birth falls between **1 October 2006** and **28 February 2007** you may be eligible for an EMA from the start of the January term 2023.

If you are eligible, your application must be submitted by **28 February 2023**. If the application is received after this date the award will only be paid from the date the application is received by the EMA Section.

For session 2022/23 the cut-off date for processing application forms is **31 March 2023**. No applications will be processed after this date.



To apply, or for more information, scan the QR code or visit our Financial Inclusion Officer, Julie (in the guidance office)



COULD YOU BE A YOUNG CARER?



“A young carer is someone who looks after a member of their family who is ill, frail, disabled, suffers from mental ill health or a substance misuse problem.”

If this applies to you and you feel like you need support, can you come and see Miss Bonnar in Guidance.

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YOUNG CARER GRANT

Young Carer Grant is a yearly payment. The current rate is **£326.65*** for young carers in Scotland.

(*Please note that rate may change in April of each year)

To be able to get Young Carer Grant, you must be 16 - 18 years old.

You must also have been caring for 1, 2 or 3 people for an average of 16 hours a week for at least the last 3 months. (If you care for more than one person, you can combine the hours of the people you care for to average 16 hours a week.)

Anyone that you provide care for must be in receipt of a qualifying benefit.

You can get Young Carer Grant once a year, up until you turn 19.

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Alfred H Knight Energy Services in Dundonald

Applications are open for anyone over the age of 17 who would like a career as a Lab Technician within the Energy sector.

Please see Miss McBride F067 for more details

SPRING CONCERT

Please see the next few slides if you are interested in getting involved in a Spring Concert to be held in the Grand Hall, Kilmarnock in March.

Scan the QR code to sign up to the section you would like to participate in, and see Mr Ramsay for more details.

The posters can also be found in the music corridor.



East Ayrshire

Choir

Rehearsals:

FRIDAYS:
27TH JANUARY
3RD, 17TH, 24TH FEBRUARY
3RD, 10TH MARCH

Concert:
Tuesday 14th March 2023
7:30pm - 9:00pm

Sign up here



For more information:
Music.Service@east-ayrshire.gov.uk

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String Orchestra

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Concert Band

Rehearsals:

SUNDAY 19TH FEBRUARY
MONDAY 20TH FEBRUARY
MONDAY 27TH FEBRUARY
MONDAY 6TH MARCH
MONDAY 13TH MARCH

Concert:
Tuesday 14th March 2023
7:30pm - 9:00pm

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East Ayrshire

Pipe Band

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Percussion Ensemble

Rehearsals:

WEDNESDAYS:
18TH & 25TH JANUARY
1ST, 8TH & 22ND FEBRUARY
1ST & 8TH MARCH

Concert:
Tuesday 14th March 2023
7:30pm - 9:00pm

Sign up here



For more information :
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S1 – S6 CAREERS FAIR



You are invited to attend this event with parents/carers

Date: Tuesday 31st of January - **Tomorrow**

Time: 5 - 7pm (try to arrive by at least 6:15pm)

On the night, you will have the chance to meet professionals from over **40+ different areas of expertise**. Find out about: entry pathways, career progression opportunities, apprenticeships, graduate programmes, a day in the life of this professional, work experience opportunities etc.

Examples of career pathways being represented on the night...

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Not sure what you want to do when you leave school? Come along for information and inspiration!

Got an idea what you want to do when you leave school? Find out more about this career from professionals working in this area everyday!

- Engineering
- Police
- Fire service
- Paramedics
- Midwifery
- Banking
- Vet and vet nurse
- Sports coaching
- Education
- Early education
- Nursing
- Universities
- Colleges
- Apprenticeships
- NHS Allied Health Professions
- Personal training
- Lab research
- Architecture
- Interior Design
- Dentistry
- Psychology
- Apprenticeships
- Armed forces
- Trades
- Mechanics
- Rural college
- Scholarships (sport & academic)
- Mechanical engineering
- Chemical engineering



See Miss Hagan for more info.

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BSL SIGN OF THE WEEK

“Please” and “Thank you”



Make your hand flat and put your fingertips on your chin.

Then move your hand downwards towards your own chest.



Make your hand flat and put your fingertips on your chin.

Then move your hand out towards the person you are thanking.

WEEKLY PUZZLE

Did you get it right?



Lucky Break

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HAVE A GREAT WEEK, GRANGE.

WORK HARD.

BE KIND.

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