

# Grange Academy Weekly Bulletin

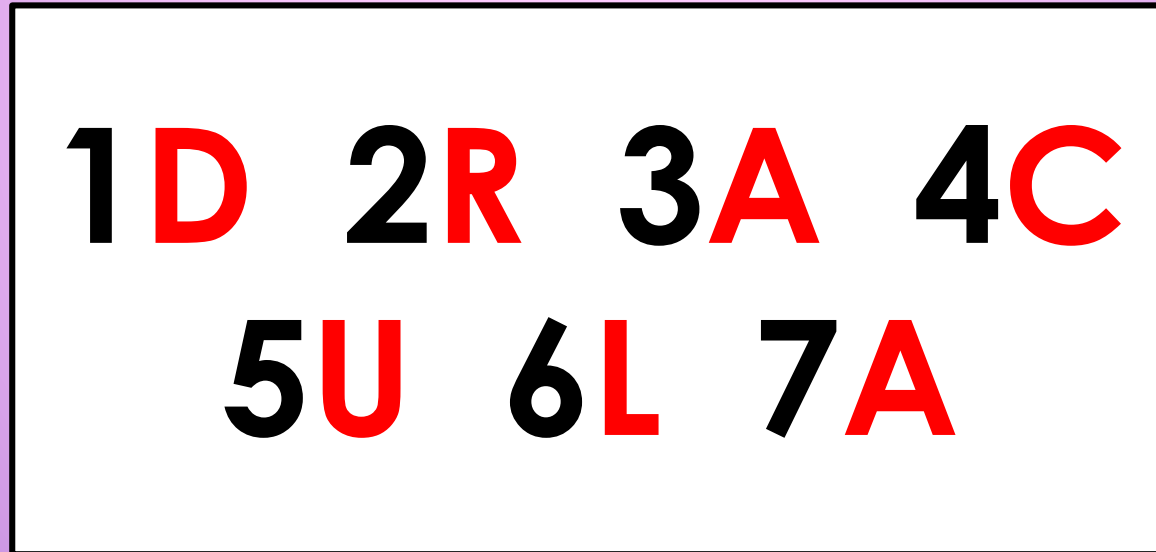
30<sup>th</sup> October 2023



# 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?



RESPECT

RESILIENCE

RESPONSIBILITY

EXCELLENCE

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# Weekly Puzzle

A special shout-out to **Alexander Whitelaw** who manages to guess the bulletin puzzle every week! (Including the ones that Mr McCormick can't figure out!)



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# Cost of the School Day



Our Cost of the School Day Pupil Working Group met recently with Mrs Cardow, Mrs McGeary and Julie McCall our Financial Inclusion Officer.

They are involved in driving forward our Cost of the School Day Action Plan.

The group aims to:

- Implement new school policies and practices that are more poverty sensitive
- Reduce or remove cost barriers and increase participation in school and after-school activities
  - Reduce school-related financial pressures for families
- Promote entitlements and financial supports available to parents, and increase uptake of entitlements



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**NEXT HOUSE CAPTAIN MEETINGS**

**IN THE LIBRARY AT THE START OF LUNCH**

S1

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2023

S2

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023

S3

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023

S4

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023



# NHS Practice Interviews

The NHS will be hosting mock interviews for those applying to study medicine at **University Hospital Crosshouse on Thursday 16th November** (5.30pm - 8pm) and **University Hospital Ayr on Thursday 30th November 2023** (5.30pm - 8pm).

All **6th years and school leavers in Ayrshire applying this year to study medicine** are invited to take part in these events.

The mock interviews will include "multiple mini interview" style stations, as well as panel interviews to practice interview technique and receive feedback from consultants and senior doctors. Previous students have found the mock interviews extremely useful for their application.

Snacks and soft drinks will be provided on the night.

**The event is completely free of charge.**

If you are interested in taking part, please fill out the below form by Wednesday 8th November to register your attendance.

Medical School Mock Interviews -  
Ayr Hospital



Medical School Mock Interviews -  
Crosshouse Hospital



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# Young Musician Competition

The competition will take place on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>  
November.

If you have signed up to the competition, please see  
Mr Ramsay to give him your sheet music.

Alternatively, email your music to Mr Ramsay on  
glow.

Best of luck to everyone taking part!

# UWS Presentation



A representative from UWS Ayr Campus will be giving a talk:

When: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November  
Time: 13:10pm (lunchtime)  
Where: F044 (Music)

The talk will provide information about full time courses that are run by the University, as well as information and advice on applying.

Anyone interested in attending should give their name to Mr Ramsay as soon as possible.





# Army Cadet Force



The Army Cadet Force is always looking for new members!

The Army Cadet Force is a British youth organisation linked to the British Army through Sponsorship.

There are over 72,000 cadets in the Army Cadet Force and you can be one of them. The Army Cadet Force can be for those who wish to join the armed services later on in life, or to anyone who wants to get out the house once a week.

You can achieve certifications from the Duke of Edinburgh Award to a First Aid qualification that could save someone's life!





# Army Cadet Force



The Army Cadet Force has social media on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and Instagram. You can learn new things such as how to use a map and compass, how to successfully perform first aid in emergency situations, and so much more!

Joining the ACF offers fun, friendship, excitement and the opportunity to learn valuable new skills to help you progress in life and in careers. Joining the ACF doesn't mean you are required to join the army.





# Army Cadet Force



There are detachments all over Scotland from the highlands to the borders.

The closest detachments in Kilmarnock are:

-[Kilmarnock RHF](#): Peace Avenue, Kilmarnock (Tuesday)



-[Kilmarnock RA](#): Witchknowe Road, Belfield (Wednesday)



To find out more, you can use <https://armycadets.com/>

# Health Sector



National 5 Health Sector pupils were learning how risk assessments are carried out in the life sciences industry.

Photographs by our S3 DYW photography group!



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# A Message from the Careers Advisors



## JOIN OUR OPEN DAY AT SRUC BARONY CAMPUS

**7TH NOVEMBER 2023**  
**4PM - 7PM**

Register your place at  
[www.sruc.ac.uk/opendays](http://www.sruc.ac.uk/opendays)

## OPEN DAYS AT SCOTLAND'S RURAL COLLEGE

**SRUC Aberdeen, Craibstone –**  
**8th November, 2pm – 4.30pm**  
Campus Open Day (all subjects  
except Vet Nursing and Animal Care)

**15th November, 2pm – 4.30pm**  
Campus Open Day Vet Nursing  
and Animal Care

**SRUC Barony, Dumfries –**  
**7th November, 4pm – 7pm**  
Campus Open Day

**SRUC Edinburgh, King's Buildings –**  
**8th November, 2pm – 4pm**  
Campus Open Day

**SRUC Elmwood, Cupar –**  
**22nd November, 5pm – 7pm**  
Campus Open Day

**Glasgow, Queen's Park –**  
**30th October, 1pm – 3pm**  
Campus Open Day Horticulture

**SRUC Oatridge, West Lothian –**  
**8th November, 1pm – 4pm**  
Campus Open Day Vet Nursing

**9th November, 9.30am – 12pm**  
Forgework Taster AM Session

**9th November, 1.30pm – 4pm**  
Forgework Taster PM Session

**9th November, 1pm – 4pm**  
Campus Open Day Animal Care

**10th November, 1pm – 4pm**  
Campus Open Day (all subjects  
except Vet Nursing and Animal Care)

Register your place at [www.sruc.ac.uk/opendays](http://www.sruc.ac.uk/opendays)

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# A Message from the Careers Advisors

College courses starting in January are now open for applications.

Visit: <https://www1.ayrshire.ac.uk/home/january-start-courses/> or speak to Scott (in the library) or Rebecca (in the Careers Office) for more info.



**WHO CARES?**  
SCOTLAND

**S1-S6**

# TEAM SPORTS & GAMES



After Schools Class

All Abilities Welcome

1:10-2:10pm

Grange Academy - Dance Hall

Every Friday  
Starting 27th Oct  
Ending 8th Dec

PRICE = £ FREE

To sign Up follow the link  
below:

[https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/  
GrangeFriday/](https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/GrangeFriday/)

For More Information Email:  
Nikki.Lawson@east-ayrshire.gov.uk

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# Bonfire & Firework Safety

The fire service will be in this week doing assemblies, to talk to pupils about Bonfire night.

Please be aware of the dangers associated with fireworks - be sensible!





# Christmas Fayre Musical Performances

If you would like to sing or play something festive at the Christmas Fayre on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November, please speak to Mr Ramsay.





# Junior Sports Council

## 23/24



# APPLICATIONS

# NOW OPEN

- ✓ Aged between 11 and 25?
- ✓ Interested in sport and physical activity?
- ✓ Want to share your views and opinions on how to better sport and physical activity?

### Benefits of Joining

- Make a difference in your community
- Join like minded people
- Make a difference to sport in your community.
- Share your opinions.
- Be a voice for young people



### What to Expect

- Support Sports Events
- Coach Education
- Represent EA Youth Voice
- Pathway to East Ayrshire Sports Council
- Attend Meetings



Sign Up 

[www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/eajscnom/](http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/eajscnom/)



For more info: [Nikki.Lawson@east-ayrshire.gov.uk](mailto:Nikki.Lawson@east-ayrshire.gov.uk)



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Look out for more information!

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# Children in Need

Coming 17th of November



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Academy

**BBC**  
Children  
in Need

# Ayrshire Cross Country

A massive well done to all 60 pupils who represented their school at the Ayrshire Cross Country. Lots of effort from every runner and plenty of pupils leaving with well deserved medals!



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# Ayrshire Cross Country



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# S1 - S3 Junior Choir



**There is no rehearsal tomorrow (Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup>)**

**Rehearsals resume on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November,  
1.30pm, F042.**

**We will be starting our Christmas Concert music.  
New members are always welcome.**

# History Club

A new History Club will be starting on Wednesday lunchtime this week!

Run by Mr MacDonald and Miss Mora

Come along to G167 (Mr MacDonald's room)

All year groups are made welcome!



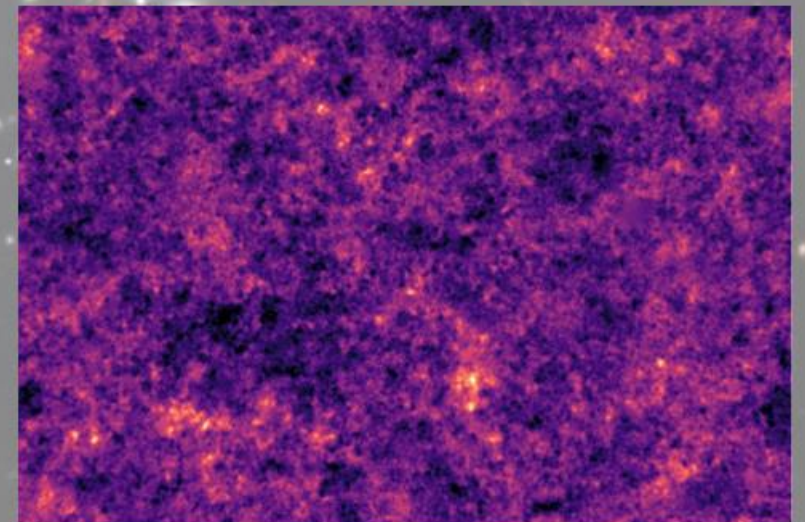
# Astronomy Club – Dark Matter Day

This week's theme in Astronomy Club is Dark Matter.

Dark Matter Day is on Halloween each year and just so happens to fall on the same day we have Astronomy Club.

Tuesday lunchtime in S026.

All pupils welcome.





# Responsibility

Last time, we focused on **PROBLEM SOLVING**.

This week we will look at **RESPONSIBILITY**.

Which of these statements do you think suits you best? If you are yellow or red, what steps can you take to move towards green?



I work hard and take pride in completing tasks and presenting my work neatly.  
I take care of materials.  
I follow packing up instructions and store my work carefully.

**RESPECT**



I could work harder.  
My work rate and presentation could be improved.  
I don't always take care when packing up and sometimes lose my work.

**RESILIENCE**

**RESPONSIBILITY**



I do the minimum.  
I don't pay attention to presentation.  
I leave packing up to the teacher.

**EXCELLENCE**

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# Why is it important to take responsibility for your own learning?

- Teachers guide you through each step of your learning.
- As you gain confidence, your teachers will hand over responsibility to you.
- You'll make some mistakes, learn from these, and you'll improve!
- When you succeed, ***the achievement is all yours!***

Former England footballer, Ian Wright, talks about his teacher:

<https://youtu.be/VplePNEU2PI?t=21>

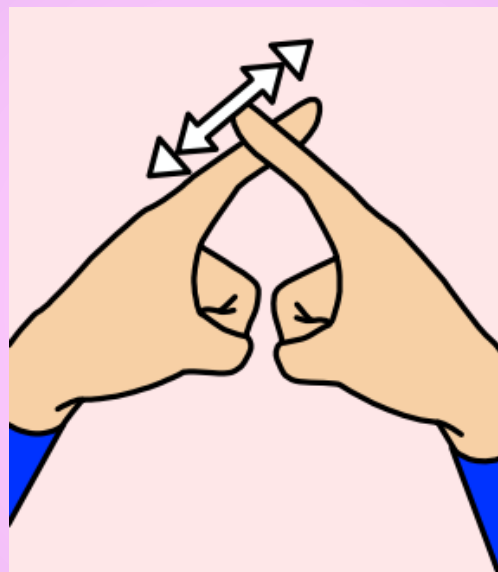
How did Mr Pigden encourage Ian to take responsibility? What was the impact on him?

Former USA President, Barak Obama, says making the most of your education will help you throughout life:

<https://youtu.be/2hOp408Ib5w>

# BSL Recap

Can you remember the sign from the last bulletin?



English

Hold out one pointer finger then move your other pointer finger back and forth along the top of it.

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# BSL Sign of the Week

## Art



Hold two fingers up high then wiggle them downwards as if you are painting a wavy line in the air.

# Weekly puzzle

Did you get it right?

**1D 2R 3A 4C**  
**5U 6L 7A**

**Count Dracula**



Have a great week, Grange.

Work hard.

Be kind.

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