



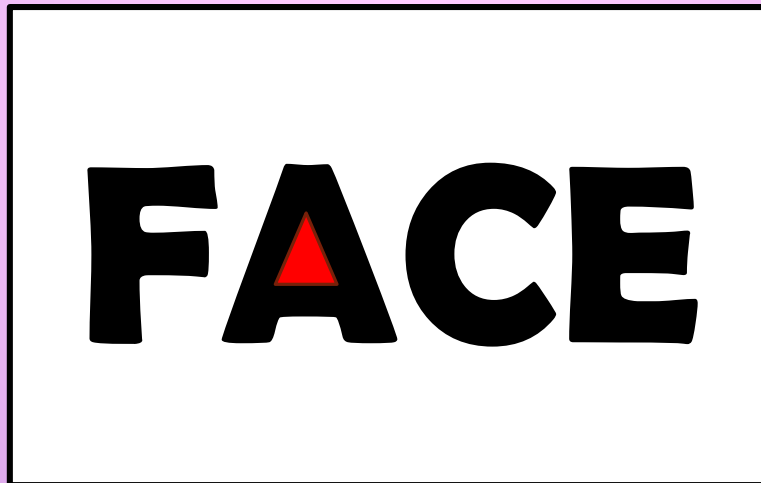
Grange Academy Weekly Bulletin

26th February 2024

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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NEXT HOUSE CAPTAIN MEETINGS

IN THE LIBRARY AT THE START OF LUNCH



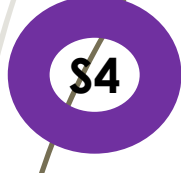
Tuesday 20th February 2024



Tuesday 27th February 2024



Tuesday 5th March 2024



Tuesday 12th March 2024



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Magic Breakfast – Helpers Needed!

magic
breakfast
fuel for learning

Miss Bonnar is looking for:

- S1-S3 who can deliver breakfast to other locations around the school
- S4-S6 who can help to prepare and serve breakfast. (This looks great on job, college and university applications and can count towards Duke of Edinburgh Gold awards)

Interested pupils should see Miss Bonnar on **Monday 26th (today) at lunch in the guidance base.** You can sign up in pairs.

A reminder that all pupils can now have a **free** breakfast from the canteen every morning (8.15 – 8.45am)

Register your Young Scot Card



Pupils are able to order lunch using their Young Scot Card – this makes it much quicker and easier for you to get your lunch!

In order to set this up, please bring your Young Scot Card to the canteen before the start of school on Thursday or Friday this week while Magic Breakfast is on – you can get yourself a free breakfast at the same time!

Anti-Social Behaviour & Littering

There have been further reports of anti-social behaviour and littering at lunchtime in Stevenson Street.

This behaviour should stop immediately.

A number of residents have CCTV footage, and pupils have been identified.

The police have now been notified, and PC McPike will be working alongside members of the council this week to put a stop to this.

Make good choices, Grange.

Purple Friday

Well done to everyone who took part in Purple Friday last week, a celebration of the spirit of LGBT.

Pupils enjoyed origami, badge making, loom band making and other activities in the library. Special thanks to all the senior pupils and pupil helpers who made it such a success on the day.

Remember, the LGBT lunch club runs on Mondays in the Miss Simm's classroom (F088). Come along if you want to take part in planning future events.



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School College Courses

THURSDAY 29th FEBRUARY

Due to Industrial Action involving College Lecturers, no college classes will run on Thursday 29th February.

Pupils who normally attend college on a Thursday afternoon should go to F063 (Mrs Grieve's classroom)

Charlie Boax



Congratulations to Charlie Boax, who won the South of Scotland district of the Rotary Young Musician of the Year last weekend.

She will now perform at the national final, which will be held in Leven in March.

Charlie performed the third movement of the solo Turbulence, Tide and Torque and The Holy Well.

Well done!

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Yearbook Information

For attention of S6 pupils

As not all photos were taken during the last session for the yearbook, another session will be held this week.

Photos for pupil awards will be taken on:

Wed 28th Feb, period 1&2 in Dr Ogilvie's class (science).

You are welcome to bring props with you related to your award.

If you wish your head shot photo to be re-taken for the pupil profile section of the Yearbook, please also attend this photo session on Wed 28th Feb. You must be in full school uniform (if not, you will be turned away).

This will be the last opportunity for you to get your photo taken.

Please see the Teams page for a list of the Pupil Awards for the Yearbook.

Reminder: If you have won an award and do not wish for this to be included, please let Miss Tattersfield know.

Apprenticeships and BSc Opportunities

Network Rail Apprenticeships

Network Rail's 2024 engineering apprenticeship applications are now open.

Find out more and apply via the link below:

<https://www.earlycareers.networkrail.co.uk/scheme/level-6-apprenticeship-rail-engineering/>



Scottish Power Renewables Apprenticeships

Scottish Power have apprenticeship opportunities in Ayrshire live until March 10th.

Please use the link for more information or to apply:

<https://www.scottishpower.com/pages/operation-and-maintenance-apprentice.aspx>



Apprenticeships and BSc Opportunities

Digital Dairy Chain

The Digital Dairy Chain's aim is to attract and retain talent for the Dairy sector and the supply chain.

They currently have four vacancies for roles at Arla per the below links:

<https://www.digitaldairychain.co.uk/jobs/arla-foods-engineering-apprenticeship-two-roles/>

<https://www.digitaldairychain.co.uk/jobs/eden-dairy-technologist-apprenticeship-two-roles/>



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Rangers Soccer Academy

Rangers Soccer Academy are promoting their BSc programme in East Ayrshire only.

Below is a link to their presentation:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/19zOICJ-DW8TDw6l4KewQsC5FKOQwWcPd/view>



Apprenticeships and BSc Opportunities

TUI Retail Apprentice Travel Advisor

The Kilmarnock branch of TUI have availability for a full-time apprentice in their store.

See the details and apply below:

https://careers.tuigroup.com/uk/job/125634_en/





Space School 2024

S5 Pupils Only



University of
Strathclyde
Glasgow

About the Scottish Space School

- The Scottish Space School is an exciting initiative supported by the international space community to inspire and motivate young people to study science and engineering and consider careers in these areas.
- It is hosted by the University of Strathclyde, Department of Electronic and Electrical Engineering along with NASA in the United States.

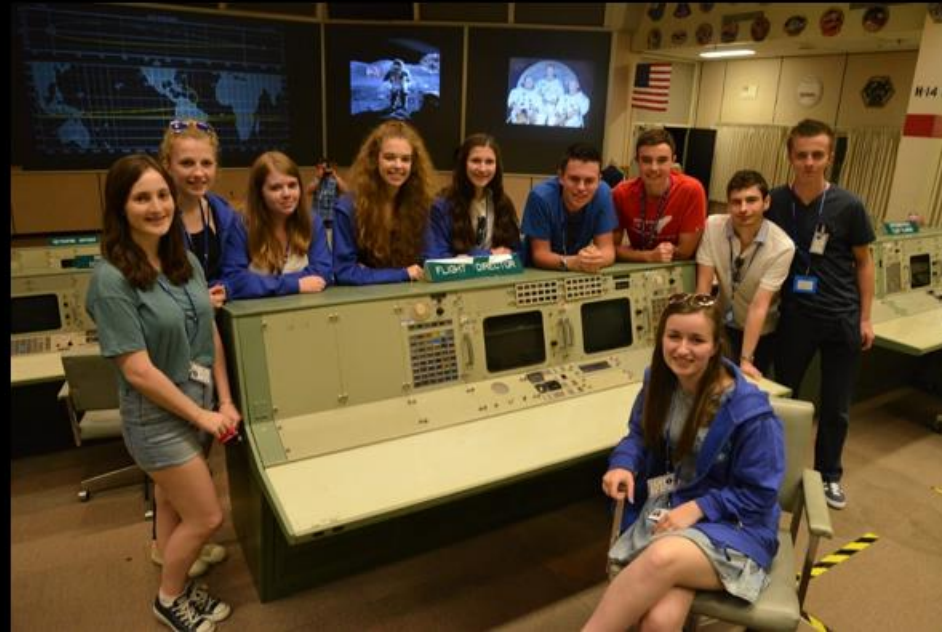
What Is Space School?

- This years Space School programme will take place at Strathclyde University from Monday 10 - Friday 14 June 2024.
- Pupils should be able to make their own way there each day, to Strathclyde University Campus and take part in a series of workshops from 9am-5pm.
- There will also be an evening session - a Public Lecture with NASA Astronauts - 5.30pm-7pm on Wednesday 12th June which successful applicants will be expected to attend.
- The programme will provide attendees with an opportunity to learn from some of the world's leading figures in space travel, including NASA astronauts and engineers.
- There are only 80 spaces available.



NASA – Johnson Space Centre Houston, Texas.

- For the best performing students at summer school there will be the added incentive of a 7-day study visit to NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas in October 2024.
- 8 pupils will be selected for this fantastic opportunity.



Former Pupils who went to Houston



Zoe Parker excelled at the Summer School and was successful at securing a place to go to Houston in October 2012.

In 2010, Rachael McAughtrie also went to Houston, Texas.

In 2014, Andrew Chapman was one of the lucky ones to go to Houston.

To Apply

- You must be in S5 in the current school session studying Maths and Science subjects at Higher level.
- You must also have an interest in potentially studying engineering after leaving school.
- If you are interested in applying for Space School 2024, please see Ms Bell (Biology, S023) for more information.
- **The closing date for entries is Monday 18th March 2024.**



Young Science Writer Award

Association of British Science Writers Young Science Writer Award

The aim of this competition is to encourage talented **14 – 16 year old** students with a passion for **STEM** and writing to submit an **800-word essay** on the topic of their choice.

The winner will receive **£1000, a one-year Young Royal Institution** membership, and a **personal coaching session** from a senior BBC science journalist at **BBC Science HQ in Cardiff**.

The deadline for the competition is 4th March but please see Mrs McLean this week if you are interested in entering.



S4/5 Outdoor Adventure Weekend

When: Friday 23rd to Sunday 25th August 2024

Where: Outward Bound Centre, Loch Eil, Fort William

Theme: Leadership and Building Self Confidence

Total Cost: £225

Initial interest in this trip running again has proved positive with lots of young adults looking to have fun and potentially push themselves out of their comfort zone and into their stretch zone.

Therefore, ParentPay is now open for payments to be made towards the overall cost of this weekend. We are looking for a £50 non-refundable deposit to be paid by **Thursday 29th February.** Additional payments can be made whenever you choose as long as the balance is paid by 14th June.

If you would like to know more please speak to Mrs Hill.



Suggested Payment Dates:

29th February = £50 non refundable deposit

31st March = £50

30th April = £50

31st May = £50

14th June = £25

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Rhian Mitchell

Rhian in 4G1 recently became the bronze medallist in shot put at the Scottish athletics national indoors track and field championships.

Congratulations Rhian!



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Public Speaking Competition



Jethro Warnock and Jack Sherry (both 3G2) represented the school in the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service 2024 Public Speaking Competition.

They faced competition from 5 other teams from Wellington School, St. Joseph's Academy and Belmont Academy.

Tristian Mathieson and Leo McMillan took on the important role of timekeepers for the competition, and Leo and Alfie Burrie also played an important role in helping to write the speeches.

Fantastic work!

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Logan Mitchell



Logan in 6D1 has achieved the under 20's Silver medal in shot put at the English National Indoor Championships in Sheffield.

Massive congratulations Logan!

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Logan Mitchell

Logan also became Scottish Champion in under 20's men shot put at the Scottish Athletics National Indoor Track and Field Championships.

Great work!



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EAC Futureskills Event

- Well done to the S5/6 pupils who attended the EAC Futureskills Event last Thursday – they were a credit to the school
- Pupils got the chance to speak to apprentices and employers from across East Ayrshire Council and gained an insight into the opportunities available to them





**Come along to find out
about Apprenticeships in
your area :**

**Speak to Employers about
vacancies**

**Speak to Careers Advisers
about your next steps**

#scotappweek24

Scottish Apprenticeship Week 2024

4 - 8th March



**Monday 4th March
10am - 11am**

**SL33 33 Titchfield St,
Kilmarnock KA1 1QW**



East Ayrshire Council
Comhairle Siorrachd Air an Ear

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Tuesday

SUBJECT	TEACHER	LEVEL	TIME	LOCATION
Maths	A Strange	Higher	15.35 – 16:35	F061
Biology	C Bell	Higher	08:00 - 08:45	S023
Environmental Science/Chemistry	H Mitchell	National 5	Lunchtime	S021
Modern Studies	R Miller	All Levels	15.35 – 16:35	G164
French	A Jackson	All Levels	15.35 – 16:35	G157
Spanish	G Armstrong	National 5	15.35 – 16:35	G159
Mathematics and Applications of Maths	D Taylor	All Levels	Lunchtime	F051
Spanish	J Scott	Higher	15.35 – 16:35	G148

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Wednesday

SUBJECT	TEACHER	LEVEL	TIME	LOCATION
Mandarin	C Jiang	All Levels	15.35 – 16:35	G158
Drama	J McConachie	National 5	15.35 – 16:35	Drama studio
Geography	J Barlow	All levels	15.35 – 16:35	G170
Art <i>See Art staff for which teacher is on which week</i>	N Tattersfield/K Gray/H Wright	All levels	15.35 – 16:35	S036
Business Management <i>Every alternate week – see Ms Milne for dates</i>	L Milne	National 5	15.35 – 16:35	S032
Chemistry	AL Bremner	National 5	15.35 – 16:35	S008
Mathematics and Applications of Maths	D Taylor	All Levels: Maths and Applications of Maths	Lunchtime	Maths ICT room
French	A Jackson	All Levels	15.35 – 16:35	G157
Design and Manufacture	C. Cuthbert	National 5	Lunchtime	G175

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Thursday

SUBJECT	TEACHER	LEVEL	TIME	LOCATION
English <i>(see Art staff for which teacher is on which week)</i>	P Brennan, G Crosbie, A Simms	All levels	15.35 – 16:35	English ICT
Study Café: All Science Subjects	E Johnston	All Levels	15.35 – 16:35	Library
Computing	K Graham	All Levels	15.35 – 16:35	S016
Business Management	L Milne	Higher	15.35 – 16:35	S032
Mathematics	L Grieve	National 5	Lunchtime	F063
Mathematics and Applications of Maths	D Taylor	All Levels	Lunchtime	Maths ICT room
Graphic Communication	C Cuthbert	National 5	Lunchtime	G175
Design and Manufacture (theory)	C Cuthbert	National 5	15.35 – 16:35	G175

Friday

SUBJECT	TEACHER	LEVEL	TIME	LOCATION
Art	H Wright	All Levels	Lunchtime	S042
Mathematics	D Taylor	All Levels	Lunchtime	F051

BSL Recap

Can you remember the sign from the last bulletin?



H.E.

Put one hand on your hip, as if holding a large bowl under your arm.
Move your other hand as if whisking something in the bowl.

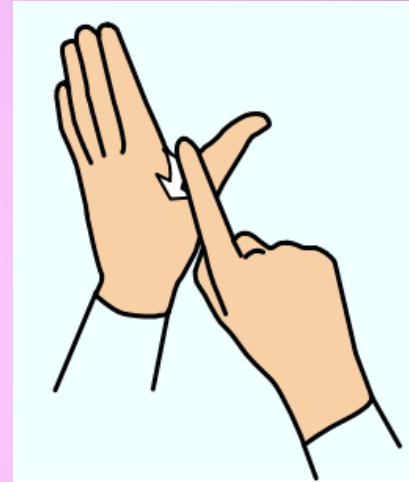
BSL Sign of the Week

Leap Year



Leap

Use your pointer and middle fingers to make "legs" that jump on the palm of your other hand



Year

Hold one hand out, facing away from your body.
Put your pointer finger of your other hand at the angle where the thumb and fingers meet. (This the letter 'y')

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Weekly puzzle

Did you get it right?



Red in the Face

Have a great week, Grange.

Work hard.

Be kind.