

## BELL BAXTER HIGH SCHOOL

### Weekly Update

Monday 20th January, 2020

WHOLE SCHOOL MESSAGES

#### Assemblies S1 – S6

Fire Service will be coming into school to deliver fire awareness assemblies next week. Further details to follow.

#### Welcome to Our New Staff

A warm welcome to our new staff who have joined us during December and January. <u>Teaching staff</u> Mr M Hamilton, PT Enhanced Achievement & Pathways Mrs L Philp, Teacher of Mathematics Ms C Marcol, Teacher of Geography Mrs S Gray, PT of Languages Ms F Jackson, Teacher of Languages Ms A Dalziel, Teacher of History

<u>Support staff</u> Mrs D McGinty, Pupil Support Officer Mrs K Leckie, Pupil Support Officer Miss J Herd, Pupil Support Assistant Miss J Lee, Librarian



#### All Welcome S1-S6 to Equalities Group – Tuesday Lunchtime in Room 211.

Show Racism the Red Card

Please see link below to enter a Creative Competition. https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/fi/public/bellbaxterhighschool/uploads/sites/9838/2020/01/17084328/CreativeCo mpetition2020GuidelinesandRules-Scotland.pdf





#### Apetito

Food free from allergens is now available to order for lunch. Poster are displayed in the Dining Hall showing varieties available. Please order at breakfast or interval and collect at pick up point which is located outside CDT Area. Price =  $\pm 1.55$  (Mrs A Honeyman)

#### **Rag Bag Collection**



Advance notice of the Rag Bag collection on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January. Details to follow. Please note that parents can drop off donations at the Main Office on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January or Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January. Please see link below for items that can be collected. (Global Goals Group) <u>https://www.rag-bag.co.uk/what-we-collect.php</u>

#### Climate Ready Classroom Workshop

Keep Scotland Beautiful are in school to deliver an **Accredited Carbon Literacy Training Course** for 25 members of our Global Goals Group on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January, Period 2 to Period 6 in the Conference Room. All young people involved will arrange to catch up with work missed. A list of all pupils involved will be posted on the Eco Notice Board. Please contact Ms Pour if you have any concerns. <u>https://www.keepscotlandbeautiful.org/</u>

# From Nansen to the Polar Academy - the Past Present and Future of Greenland Exploration from Fife

This is an invitation to the Polar Academy event at St Andrews on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2020. There will be a talk entitled "From Nansen to the Polar Academy - the Past Present and Future of Greenland Exploration from Fife" by Adrian Finch. We will talk about some of the exploration that has taken place from Fife over the nearly 100 years since the polar explorer Fridjtof Nansen was rector of the University. There will be some rock and mineral samples from Greenland on display and also an opportunity to talk to some of the staff and students who have worked in Greenland from the University.

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> of January 2020 at 7.15 pm, Irvine Lecture Theatre, Irvine Building, North Street, St Andrews. Free public lecture – all welcome.

For more information: aaf1@st-Andrews.ac.uk





#### Top of the Bench Chemistry Competition

Last Friday a team of four (S2, S3 and S4) from Bell Baxter attended the qualifying event at St Andrews University and competed against 16 schools from across Fife, Perth & Kinross, Dundee and Angus for a place in the regional final of the Royal Society of Chemistry's Top of the Bench competition.

There was a range of practical, problem solving and Chemistry knowledge rounds to test the pupils. It was a fantastic experience for all the pupils and they were successful in earning a place in the final, again at St Andrews University, where they will compete against Madras, High School of Dundee and Strathallan.

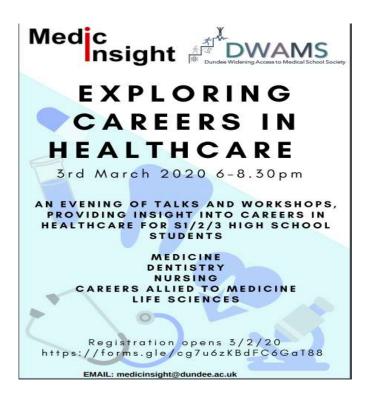








#### **Exploring Careers in Healthcare**



#### **Exploring Careers in Healthcare** <u>https://forms.gle/cg7u6zKBdFC6GaT88</u> for application form

CLUBS, EVENTS AND REHEARSALS



#### **Global Goals Group**

Meeting every Thursday in Room 212 at lunchtime. Bring your lunch and reusable water bottles. Working on the Campaign against single use plastics. All welcome. (Ms C Pour)

#### Lion King

The Lion King Theatre trip is finally here (on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January). We will leave at 5.00 pm (in order to get through the Edinburgh traffic). Please make sure you are at the front of the school by 4.45 pm. We will return to the school at approximately 11.00 pm, so make sure you have made travel arrangements to get home. The trip is non-uniform. See you there. (Mr Robb)





#### **Girls' Football**

The following girls' football fixtures are confirmed BBHS V Kirkcaldy 27<sup>th</sup> January, Glenrothes V BBHS 3<sup>rd</sup> February, Woodmill v BBHS 17<sup>th</sup> February, BBHS v Inverkeithing 18<sup>th</sup> February. The home team is listed first and there will be a meeting set before each of the matches to discuss details of the fixture. (Mr Baillie)

#### Art Club (Donations of Fabric)

The Art Club meet on a Thursday lunchtime and this term we would like to make animal pouches/beds to send to the orphaned animals from the Australian bush fires. In order to do this we need suitable fabric - so we are asking for donations, please! Cotton jersey and flannelette are preferred as they are soft and cosy! But any donations would be appreciated. If you could please hand them in to me in Room 404. (Miss M Reilly)

S1 - S3 MESSAGES

#### S1 Craft Club

A reminder that S1 Craft Club starts back up on Monday 2.50 pm-3.40 pm in Room 103. We are currently using pallets to make a variety of outdoor activities for a local primary school! Newcomers are always welcome so come along and learn how to use new tools and build your skills in the workshop! (Miss E Thomson)

#### **S3** Parents Evening

S3 Parents Evening is on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January 5.00 pm -7:30 pm (Online system goes live on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January 0.05 am)

#### S4 – S6 MESSAGES

#### 2020 Curriculum Pathways Information Evening

Great response to our 2020 Curriculum offer last night. All senior will have received or will be receiving a tracking report. These will be used to inform information gathering around mock course counselling on 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> January.



