



BELL BAXTER HIGH SCHOOL

Weekly Update Monday 3rd February 2020

WHOLE SCHOOL MESSAGES

Notification of Inspection

I am pleased to inform you that we have received formal notification that Education Scotland will be leading an inspection of Bell Baxter High School from **Monday 17th February-Friday 21st February, 2020**. This is the first time the school has been inspected by Education Scotland in almost 10 years and, as such, we want to ensure the inspection team have a very clear picture of our strengths and any areas we might want to consider improving. You can find out more about inspection, from the [Inspection and review documentation](#) pages of Education Scotland's website.

Inspectors gather the views of all stakeholders via an online survey. Access to surveys have been sent out via Groupcall on Wednesday 29th January 2020

We would be extremely grateful if you could take some time to complete the questionnaire and submit no later than **Tuesday 4th February 2020**.

Furthermore, if you would like to be part of a school focus group to share aspects of any work you have been involved in in partnership with the school please let us know as soon as possible.

Do not hesitate to get in touch either with myself at bellbaxterhs.enquiries@fife.gov.uk or with Mrs Karen Brown Chair of the Parent Council at bellbaxter.parentcouncil@gmail.com should you have any further questions. (Ms. Penrose)

Ardeonaig – Expressive Arts Trip

All pupils attending the above trip must attend a final meeting on Wednesday 5th February. This will take place in Room 402 at 12:30 pm and cover all final arrangements for the trip. (Mr. McNicol)

Silver DofE Group

All Silver DofE participants should attend a meeting in Room 402 at lunchtime on Monday 3rd February. (Mr. McNicol)

Parent Council Minutes

The Minutes from the latest meeting of the Parent Council (14th January, 2020) are now available on the school website. (Mrs. K. Brown, Chairperson Parent Council)

<https://blogs.glowscotland.org.uk/fi/bellbaxterhighschool/parents/parent-council/>

CLUBS, EVENTS AND REHEARSALS

Bake Sales

- On Tuesday 4th February, in aid of World Cancer Day, the Prom Committee have organised a bake sale and "Pie the Teacher" event. The bake sale will take place in the Conference Room at morning break, with the main event - "Pie the Teacher" - being held in the Assembly Hall during lunch. For a donation of 50p (or more), you can come and join in the fun! (Prom Committee)
- On Thursday 6th February there will be a bake sale in the Assembly Hall at break and lunch. Cakes and tray bakes will be sold. This is to raise awareness about young people who are living in an armed forces family. Come along and find out more. (Mr. B. Harris)

S1 - S3 MESSAGES

S2 Parents' Evening

The next Parents' Evening is on Monday 10th February for all S2 and the system is now live for booking appointments.

S2 Course Counselling

Please note Course Counselling for all young people in S2 has been moved to Tuesday 25th February to accommodate our Education Scotland Inspection. (Mr. Lownie)

S4 - S6 MESSAGES

Career in Medicine

Any S5 pupil interested in a career in medicine should see Miss Cunneen regarding clinical work experience. (Ms. Cunneen)

S6 Yearbook

We would like to encourage all S6 pupils to send in any pictures they would like included in their Yearbook as soon as possible. Until now we have a lot of pictures from a few people and we want to make sure that the Yearbook is representative of the entire year group. In particular we are looking for baby photos and photos of trips, shows, cars, couples and pets. If you are unsure of where to send them please speak to Abbie MacRitchie. (S6 Yearbook Team)

Prelim Exam Diet

Please note the senior Prelim Exam Diet will now run from Monday 24th February to Friday 6th March to support our Inspection visit. (Mr. Lownie)