

Diary Dates

Mon 16 April: Return to school, yeargroup assemblies all week on the theme of Mental Health
Thurs 19 April: S4-6 assembly re SQA exams
Fri 20 April: St Andrew's University "Geobus" in school
Tues 24 April: House assembly led by S6 leavers (also Wed and Thurs)
Thurs 26 April: Junior UK Maths Challenge
Fri 27 April: S6 "last day" in school (study leave for S4-6 starts)
Mon 30 April: SQA exams start with Spanish and Urdu
Mon 7 May: May Day Holiday
Tues 8 May: "Step Up" Enterprise Day for P7
Wed 9 May: "Step Up" Enterprise Day for P7
Fri 11 May: P7 Sports Day
Mon 14 May: "Health Week" all week
Wed 16 May: S1 trip to Edinburgh University (taster activities)
Fri 18 May: "Activities Day" for S1-3
Tues 22 May: P6 Themed Learning Day
Thurs 24 May: S3 Parent/Carer Evening
Fri 25 May: S1 Reports issued
Fri 1 June: S2 Disaster and Emergency Relief Outdoor Learning Day
Mon 4 June: Public Holiday and end of SQA exams
Tues 5 June: In-Service Training Day for staff (closed to pupils). Saltire Awards, Sports Colours and Prefect presentations at 4pm
Wed 6 June: New timetable, Chemistry Festival at Heriot-Watt University
Thurs 7 June: Yeargroup Assemblies S2-5
Fri 8 June: S6 Induction day
Mon 11 June: FoKHS AGM
Tues 12 June: Prizegiving
Wed 13 June: Primary 7 Welcome Day 1
Thurs 14 June: Primary 7 Welcome Day 2, Parent/Carer Evening with BBQ/Disco
Fri 15 June: Leavers' Prom at Forrester Park, Dunfermline
Mon 18 June: Youth and Philanthropy Initiative Finals in the Hall (S3)
Tues 19 June: Parent Council AGM (all welcome)
Wed 20 June: S5/6 Health Day
Thurs 28 June: S5/6 The Big Event, end of term fair
Fri 29 June: Dress Down for Charity, Pupil Talent Show and early close
Wed 15 August: School returns (pupils).

The Rector Writes ...

As ever, it's hard to comprehend ... another whirlwind term behind us! Even although it was curtailed by the snow closures, it was a time of several significant successes. The most notable was our accreditation as a "UNICEF Rights Respecting School" (Silver Award). This is a terrific achievement and we are only the third Fife secondary school to achieve the standard. It is fair reward for our commitment to upholding young people's rights over a number of years. It's all about "pupil voice".

And on that theme, well done to Morgan Faulds and Cara Hayes, who retained their title as Tayside, Central and Fife Public Speaking Champions! They won the Crown Office Procurator Fiscal's Shield at Perth Sheriff Court on 28 March.

Finally, very best wishes to the "Class of 2018", who will be moving on to the next stage of their learning journey at the end of next month. Usque Conabor!

First Week of 2018

School returned on Monday 8 January and for some it was a testing week (literally), as we had Prelim exams in the Hall. The Prelims were for S5/6 (at SQA National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher) and they started on the Wednesday with English..

There was also a welcome to a new member of staff as we were joined by Miss Osborne in History from the Monday. Miss Osborne previously taught at Stirling High School and we are very pleased to have her at KHS, she has settled in very well.

Week Two Highlights

On Monday 15 January, all S4 took part in special exam preparation tutorials delivered by "Live'N'Learn", an educational training company which specialises in motivation and self improvement.

Also after school on the Monday, we arranged a meeting with a wide range of business partners to discuss the next steps in developing our approaches to employability. Thanks to Miss Nessel for her excellent work in respect of this.

In the evening on Monday we also had a Friends of Kirkcaldy High School meeting. If you are interested in the work of this excellent support group, please call 01592 583405 and ask for Mrs Davidson.

After school on the Tuesday, members of our LGBT support group attended a Fife wide event at Beath High School to share some of their leading work in helping to build an inclusive school.

On the Wednesday, Mrs Hamilton (Head of Maths) and Mrs Hume (Head of English) underwent training for the Scottish National Standardised Assessments which were taken by all S3 in November.

Then, on the Thursday after school, it was our S4 Parent/Carer evening, and it was good to see such a healthy turnout.

Third Week Headlines

During this week we had vaccinations for S3 on the Monday, with protection against diphtheria, tetanus, polio and meningitis. In the afternoon and evening, our Guidance team undertook the S4 course choice process.

Tuesday was the Adam Smith Assembly. Many thanks to our Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Support Group who led the assembly on the theme of Equality and Diversity. Alanah and Bowie covered the topic of "Coming Out".



The Class of 2018

In the afternoon (period 6), all S4-6 went to the Hall for a talk about courses and opportunities at Fife College and an input on Modern Apprenticeships.

The Tuesday evening saw our regular Parent Council meeting with a focus on Additional Needs. Many thanks to Mr Broadway (Head of Learning and Behaviour Development) who gave a short talk and took questions. We also held a Parent/Carer event for S1 on the theme of Literacy and Growth Mindset. Many thanks to Mrs Hume (Head of English) and the Department staff who led on this. The session, which was very highly evaluated, looked at; Growth Mindset, Literacy Across Learning and working at home to develop Reading, Writing, Talking and Listening.

On Wednesday, as well as the Oswald Assembly, on the theme of LGBT History Month, we had two reviewers from Learning and Teaching Scotland (LTS) in school all day conducting a "Thematic Review" of Personal and Social Education and Health/Wellbeing. They are visiting 50 schools around Scotland and KHS was selected to be part of this. They saw lessons, talked with several pupil groups and met with groups of staff and supporting professionals. LTS were very impressed by the quality of our PSE programme and the very positive feedback given by our pupils. They said they were clear that KHS is a nurturing and caring community of professionals which works together to "make a difference" for all of the young people. Many thanks to all who contribute to this ... including you, the parents/carers.

There was also an English Department trip to the Adam Smith Theatre that day for a showing of "Wonder", a film which explores the theme of facial disfigurement.

On the Thursday, we had mock interviews for S5/6, supported by several business partners. There was a focus on "Career Management Skills" and "I Can" evaluations of young people's strengths. It's widely recognised that we Scots are poor at acknowledging our own abilities! Many thanks to all employers and partners involved.

We also hosted the UK Intermediate Maths Challenge in the Hall, thanks to Miss Brown for her work with this.

We had several soloists competing in the Fife Festival of Music at the Adam Smith Theatre, thanks to Mr Britain and all the instructors for their support of our players; Holly Smith, Shannon Law, Jessica McGregor, Gemma Carpenter and Cara Hayes.

Also, Miss Cunningham took a group of pupils to Anstruther to take part in the Fife Schools' Literary Quiz. Team KHS did very well and greatly enjoyed the event. Very well done to winners Waid Academy, the hosts.

On the Friday we had the Carlyle Assembly, again led by our LGBT student group. It was also a mentoring session for our S5 students who are being supported by "Friends of Kirkcaldy High School".

Congratulations to Mrs Cowie of the Art Department. After interviews during this week she was appointed to the role of Principal Teacher (Curriculum) of Expressive Arts. This involves overview of the learning in Art, Music and Drama and Mrs Cowie has been fulfilling the role very effectively on a temporary basis since Mrs Turnbull left a year ago.

Week Four Highlights

This was the week our S4 "National 5" Prelim exams began with English on the Monday and then Maths on

Tuesday, before continuing all week. As with the S5/6, the exams are a good chance for candidates to test themselves, practice the exam arrangements and work out an improvement plan with their teachers in time for May.

On the Monday we also began a special boxing programme which will run over 10 weeks. It's aimed at young people who find school difficult at times and we are trying to engage in a different way. Many thanks to Rural and Urban Training (RUTS) who are delivering the experience. Maybe you saw the spread in the "Fife Free Press"?

We also had another group of soloists at the Fife Festival of Music, held in the Adam Smith. On the Monday afternoon, Mr Adams (Computing) and Mr Allan (Rector) met with Councillor Dave Dempsey to discuss the possibility of our Computing Science students creating an app which Fife Council might use to help people across Fife to know how best to recycle domestic waste. There is some confusion about what should go in each bin and we are hoping that our young computing scientists can create a digital solution.

On the Tuesday evening, Mrs Aitken, Mr Broadway and Mr Allan went along to Capshard (at 5pm) and then Fair Isle Primary (at 6.30pm) to meet P7 parents/carers and deliver our "Roadshow" (Round 2). These events had been postponed from January due to poor weather. They were well attended and there were lots of good questions. Thanks to all the young people (from S1 and S6) who joined in and spoke so well.

Also, a group of S3 Biology students visited Edinburgh Zoo for the "Global Classroom" Conference. This was a terrific learning event. In the afternoon, we held the assessments for the Arkwright Engineering Scholarships. These are the UK's most prestigious awards in engineering. Thanks to Mr Fulton of the CDT team for taking the lead role this year.

On Thursday we welcomed a group of 5 teachers from all over Europe, as part of a teacher exchange programme, organised by



KHS at Groupe Scolaire Bumbogo, Rwandan Partner School

Mr Young (Depute Rector). Our guests were very impressed by the efforts of all our staff to meet the needs of young people and they liked the "family" atmosphere in KHS.

The week ended with a visit from Claire Baker MSP, who met the Advanced Higher Modern Studies class to support their dissertations on the theme of justice and crime.

It was quite a day for politicians as we also has Lesley Laird MP (Kirkcaldy and Cowdenbeath) in school. She delivered a talk on her

work to S1 Modern Studies pupils. As part of the World Children's Rights week celebrations back in November our S1 Social Subjects classes took part in the UNICEF Outright campaign.

During this campaign the classes explored the rights and experiences of refugees who come from around the world to the UK. As the final part of the project some members of the classes wrote a letter to Mrs Laird asking her about the work she does to help the refugees in our local area. They also asked if she would raise the issue of family reunion laws in Parliament.

Week from 12 February

The week was a short but unusual one with a strong international flavour. In Africa, we had Ms Mahr and Mr Mitchell of the RME Department, supported by the British Council, establishing our link with Groupe Scolaire Bumbogo in Kigali, Rwanda. They were treated like true VIPs and we are really looking forward to building a partnership over the coming sessions.

This was also featured in the FFP... perhaps you saw this? As well as the school link, they also helped at the Comfort Babies project in Kigali and the Batsinda Street Kids Programme.

During the term, our young people raised almost £400 to buy books and stationery for the project. Ms Mahr and Mr Mitchell also took 80kg of clothing and toiletries donated by KHS pupils. Well done to all who supported this.

On Sunday 11 February, our Modern Languages staff Mrs Morris and Mr Spink, and 22 young people visited Vannes, Brittany to stay with French families and attend school in the town.

They spent the first part of the trip in Paris and had an excellent experience. They were treated very well by their hosts and have developed their language skills considerably.

We also had a separate group of 55 CDT pupils off to Paris for a trip which included engineering and design workshops and lectures as well as the Eurodisney Theme Park experience.



Languages Trip to Paris, at The Louvre

Many thanks to the staff involved Mr Hamilton, Mr I'Anson, Miss Brown, Dr Murray and Mrs Hardie. It really was a terrific success for all involved. It's great to see our young people getting all these opportunities to broaden their horizons and new opportunities are also being planned, including a Modern Studies trip to London next year.

Please remember that financial support can usually be offered to young people who are free meals entitled to take part in school trips.

Wednesday 14 February was a staff training day and we were closed for pupils. The teachers and support assistants from KHS and all our associated primaries met in KHS and we had a talk from Sue Brookes, former Governor of Polmont Young Offenders Institution. Sue is renowned for her work in the rehabilitation of young people left traumatised by "Adverse Childhood Experiences" such as violence, parental alcohol misuse, drugs or neglect in the home.

She has helped our staff to become ever more able to nurture and support young people affected by trauma; either ongoing problems or bad experiences from an earlier time in their young lives. We also looked at literacy (especially the assessment of writing) across our "cluster" group of five schools; KHS, Capshard, Fair Isle, Valley and Torbain.



KHS Windband: Excellent Performance at Fife Festival of Music

Week beginning 19 February

After the short mid-term break, we were back to school on Monday 19 February and the First Year were out of class during period 1 for a special talk from Water Safety Scotland. This is a charity which is trying to reduce accidental drowning and it was very powerful. We were joined by Police, Fire Service and RNLI staff as well as Gillian Barclay, who lost her son Cameron, after he was killed at



KHS Sports Leaders at Fair Isle PS

Inverkeithing Quarry. Please try to discuss this important safety issue at home.

We then had Yeargroup assemblies for the rest of the week. Many thanks to Mr Young, who led these on the theme of never giving up. He had some excellent examples from the world of winter sports.

Mrs Aitken visited our primaries in the afternoons, along with members of our "Learning Council", and she tells me that these have been excellent discussions around what makes for the best lessons.

Well done to our S2 Science pupils who won the "Balloon Chair Challenge" at the Go4SET Competition held at Fife College on Tuesday. Thanks to Miss Tennant, who supported the team so well. We also had a terrific talk from sci-fi author Russell Jones on the Tuesday, many thanks to Mrs Cunningham (English) for organising this.

On Wednesday, we had Fife College and Fife Council staff in school to assist our young people with college and Foundation Apprenticeship applications. We also hosted another round of the Disability Sport Fife football tournament. We are always delighted to help.



Boxing Project: Rural & Urban Training

The week ended with an input about student exchange opportunities in the USA. We had a representative from "FLAG UK" at our assemblies.

We were also involved in an event at the Scottish Government HQ at Victoria Quay. We were invited by "Respectme", the national bullying advisory group, to showcase our work in creating an inclusive school culture this morning. KHS is recognised as being, for the most part, a happy school with a strong sense of community. Mr Allan (Rector) spoke about that and was joined by Morgan Faulds, Cara Hayes, John Hamilton and Alanah Ferguson, who also spoke at this Scottish Government event in Leith. The KHS delegation was very well received. Mr Allan is immensely proud of the leadership of our young people and their strong commitment to fairness and respect.

Week Seven Roundup

Miss Ashby, Mr I'Anson, Mr Fulton and Miss McIntosh took a busload to Murrayfield for the Calcutta Cup on Saturday 24 February. Maybe they are the lucky mascots! What an excellent occasion it was. We also had another group of young people out and about that Saturday morning ... our LGBT+ group attended an equalities awareness day at Queen Anne High School in Dunfermline.

The following week was quite a week with the school closed from Wednesday due to the snow. At the start of it, our Guidance Team members assisted our S5/6 pupils and their parents/carers to select their courses for 2018-2019. On Monday, many S3 pupils were vaccinated against diphtheria, tetanus, polio and meningitis. We also welcomed student teachers Ms McDowall (Modern Studies) and Ms Torrens (CDT). Ms Torrens is a former pupil and it was lovely to welcome her back here.

Also on Monday, our S4 "Peer Mentors" were trained to deliver the "Boozebusters" alcohol awareness course to S2. Many thanks to "Clued Up", "DAPL" and Fife Police for their excellent support.

The "Boozebusters" programme is a very effective "peer education" programme aimed at reducing teenage alcohol abuse. Thanks also to Mrs Houston and the Guidance Team who have organised such an effective support network.

At the anti-bullying launch event at the Scottish Government HQ the previous week, our strong sense of community was highly commended and these initiatives are big part of our ethos and success in improving health and wellbeing "outcomes".

On the Tuesday we held a "SPEEDY STEM" event for S3 with a large group of STEM Ambassadors in the Hall. This was aimed at raising awareness of careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. Mrs Aitken visited Valley Primary in the afternoon with our "Learning Council" in order to discuss and develop our shared "Learning Charter" across KHS and our primaries.

In the evening, our Drama Department performed "Ceasefire Babies" in our own studios. This is part of the National Theatre "Connections" Festival and we are performing the play at the Traverse Theatre in Edinburgh later this month. It was an excellent production and the performances were superb. Well done all our young actors and to the technical team too. Many thanks to Mrs Bruce for her commitment to this and good luck at the Traverse on 28 March.

And the rest of the week was a whiteout! Well done to Fife Council



Our S2 Netball teams enjoyed the Fife Schools' Championships at Glenrothes

for calling it correctly on the Tuesday evening. I know that this was a difficult decision, but at least it gave parents/carers the chance to plan ahead. Well done also to the staff who continued to offer some kind of service from home, using dedicated channels of communication and social media to set up, and even mark, learning tasks. This will have been especially important with S4-6, who have exams coming up.

The Week from 5 March

Our S2 Course Choice information was issued during this week.

We also had some really good input on the Wednesday and Thursday from the Scottish Council for Development and Industry, which supports the Smallpiece Trust Engineering Charity. They held "Energiser" science events in the Hall for S1 and these were a great success. Many thanks to



Cara and Morgan with the Fife Public Speaking Cup

Tom Adams, the facilitator and also to Miss Tennant (Principal Teacher of STEM), who arranged the whole engagement.

On the Wednesday evening, we hosted the Crown Office Procurator Fiscal Public Speaking Fife Final in KHS. Very well done to Morgan Faulds and Cara Hayes (both S3). The girls were up against Auchmuty, Dunfermline and Inverkeithing and spoke passionately on the theme of "Banter or Bullying?". We are delighted to say that Morgan and Cara were declared worthy Fife champions.

Also on that Wednesday evening, Miss Diamond and Mr Broadway attended a Scottish Parliamentary Reception at Holyrood on the theme of school bullying. This was hosted by "Respectme", which is the national anti-bullying agency, and our school was asked along because of our strong commitment to creating a safe, happy and fair school. Miss Diamond and Mr Broadway met John Swinney, the Deputy First Minister and Education Secretary, who congratulated the school on our approaches to building an inclusive school culture.

The big event of this week was undoubtedly the "Friends of Kirkcaldy High School" Ceilidh, which took place on the Friday. The ceilidh is a true highlight in the KHS calendar and it will have raised around £2000 to support the school (eg to upgrade the Assembly Hall or aid young people facing hardship to get the most from opportunities we offer).

We had the Bert Pozzi Ceilidh Band and a Valente's Fish Supper, with various other entertainments. Many thanks to FoKHS for all their brilliant support of the school. It was a great night enjoyed by well over 200 people, including a large group of former pupils. Great credit goes to Mrs Davidson, who was chief organiser.

Week From 12 March

On the Monday, we welcomed our new Head of Music, Ms Simpson, who joins KHS from Broxburn Academy in West Lothian. Ms Simpson has got off to a great start and is hosting the SQA visiting examiner today.

This was also a "themed learning" week across S1-3. Where appropriate, lessons focused on the skill of numeracy eg calculating, estimating, drawing graphs, use of shapes etc. This was timed to coincide with "Pi Day" on Wednesday ... it's always on 14 March as our American cousins reckon that particular date should be written "3.14", get it? Teachers were creative in planning learning that day, with circles a theme in many lessons.

On the Monday, our "First Chances" group had a trip to St Andrews University after school. Many thanks to Mrs Hunter for her support of this group.

On Tuesday we had more S1/2 vaccinations in the Hall then after school we held our rescheduled S2 Parent/Carer Evening (postponed from the previous Tuesday because of the snow). Many thanks for the positive feedback received. Most seem to feel that meeting in classrooms is preferable to using the Hall and Library.

It was also our Parent Council meeting on Tuesday. The main items were feedback on the recent snow closures, an input from our LGBT student group and an update from Miss Ashby on our "Rights Respecting School" work.

As well as "Pi Day" on Wednesday, we hosted an NHS Fife "stall" outside our dinner hall to highlight the dangers of smoking. In the evening, we had another rescheduled performance of "The Ceasefire Babies" in school.

The LGBT+ group also led a staff training session after school on Monday. The aim was to help teachers create an LGBT friendly classroom environment. Perhaps you saw the Fife Free Press? The KHS group was featured in a double page spread? We are exceptionally proud of all our young people, and the work of this group in ensuring equality and fairness is of particular importance to me. We are a school which respects, protects and promotes human rights.



KHS LGBT+ Group—commended by the Scottish Parliament

At lunchtime on Friday, all S6 with an interest in Further or Higher Education (ie College or University) were invited to a talk from the Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS). The theme was student finance. Also that day, Dr Murray took the Advanced Higher Chemistry class along to Inchdairnie Distillery. This is a new enterprise in Glenrothes and our students got a fantastic insight into the distilling process, as well as the commercial side of the business. Then, at lunchtime, the staff were treated to a special American themed meal prepared and served by the S5/6 Hospitality class as part of their SQA assessment. It was excellent ... especially the New York style baked cheesecake! Well done to all students involved and to Ms Roberts, their teacher.

The Penultimate Week of Term

This week we had yeargroup assemblies with the theme being "Pupil Voice". These were led by young people, encouraging others to get involved in raising any issues of concern. One aspect is our "Don't be a Bystander Box", which has been suggested by young people as a confidential way to report any concerns about bullying. We also had inputs about rights issues, including the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Well done to all involved.

We also had "Rural and Urban Training Scheme" (RUTS) working with a target group of S3 on a motorbike maintenance course all week. We are trying to engage in different ways with those who find regular lessons challenging. Today, after working as a team all week, the group are at Knockhill Racing Circuit, taking part in off-road biking, accompanied by Mrs Rae, Pupil Support Officer.

On Tuesday we had a visiting author, another excellent input on imaginative writing from the sci-fi writer, Russell Jones. This was a great success.

Then, in the afternoon, the Rector attended the Kirkcaldy Area Committee along with Mr McNeil, the Head of Balwearie HS. Both Heads had prepared detailed progress reports for the group of Kirkcaldy Councillors and discussed their schools' successes and challenges, including how they are using the "Pupil Equity Fund" to help those from families affected by childhood poverty. Both had much to report back on and were thanked for our collective efforts.

That evening, a small group of KHS staff went along to the AGM of the Kirkcaldy Foodbank. We'll continue to support the Foodbank when we can ...

some of the statistics shared were very worrying, including the impact of benefit delays, benefit sanctions and low paid work. The guest speaker was Darren McGarvey, also known as "Loki" the Scottish Rapper. He is the author of an excellent book called "Poverty Safari" and he gave an emotional and very hard hitting account of the impact which deprivation has on learning. As you maybe know, we are a school which is trying to become more "trauma informed" in order to be better able to support young people affected by "adverse childhood experiences" such as neglect, poverty, alcohol, drugs or other forms of abuse.

Wednesday saw us host the final round of the Disability Sport Fife Football as well as the Cashback Sevens, another football competition, this one for girls. Well done to Bell Baxter and Madras, winners of the DSF com-



UN House "Human Trafficking" at Scottish Parliament

petition, and also to Inverkeithing and St Columba's, winners of the girls' tournament. KHS did very well to make the finals.

On the Thursday, Ms Wight took a group of young people at the Higher Geography Conference at St Andrews University and it was an excellent event. In the evening, Mrs Davidson was involved in planning the next "Friends of Kirkcaldy High School" fund raiser. It's our Racenight on Friday 2 November. We do hope you can make it. More details soon

On Friday 22 March, Jaime-Leigh Campbell, Kayla Greer, Sophie Lennon and Rebecca MacMillan (S2) are attending a special event at the "UN House Scotland" conference at the Scottish Parliament. They were national winners of a United Nations sponsored schools' competition to design a poster on the theme of 'Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery in Scotland'. Well done to all the girls, and also to Ms Mahr, their teacher.



Cast and Crew of "The Ceasefire Babies"

The Final Week Of Term

We had House assemblies led by our school chaplain, Rev. Ken Froude. It was Adam Smith on Tuesday, Oswald on Tuesday and Carlyle House on the Thursday.

However, the main event was the visit of the UNICEF assessors on Tuesday to judge our "Rights Respecting School" status. Given the extent to which we have embedded "Respect" as a core value here, and the extent to which young people are involved in the life of the school, I am delighted to report that we have been awarded the "Silver" standard. Kirkcaldy is now officially a UNICEF "Rights Respecting School", the first secondary school in the area to be recognised as such. Many thanks to all the young people who have been part of this, and also to the parents/carers who contributed. The staff also played a big part, especially Miss Ashby and Miss Diamond, who led the initiative.

On Wednesday evening our drama students, so well directed by Ms Bruce, performed brilliantly at the Traverse Theatre in Edinburgh. As part of the National Theatre "Connections" Festival they put on the play "The Ceasefire Babies", set in Northern Ireland during the times of violent sectarian conflict. Our cast and crew were magnificent. Thanks also to Mr McPherson and Dr Murray, who supported the production too.

Also on that evening at Perth Sheriff Court, Morgan Faulds and Cara Hayes (S3) won the Sheriffdom Finals of the Crown Office Procurator Fiscal Public Speaking Competition. This is the Scottish Schools' Speaking Championships and KHS was up against Perth Academy and McLaren High School of Callander. It's another fabulous achievement from the girls.

The last day of term was a "Dress Down" day in aid of Refuge Fife, the refugee charity. Pupils were asked to donate £1 or whatever they could afford. By coincidence, we presented a cheque for £406.66 to "Love Oliver", a Fife based children's cancer charity on the same day. This was collected on our previous "Dress Down" Day.