NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2021

WHAT'S INSIDE?

October has been a very busy month in Notre Dame! Pupils and staff have been preparing for Sustainability week in line with COP 26. S6 Leadership have also been hosting a number of events. Keep reading to find out what else we have been up to.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

AFTER SCHOOL SUPPORTED STUDY SESSIONS CONTINUE TO RUN EACH WEEK. IN ADDITION, SATURDAY SESSIONS WILL RUN FROM 6TH NOV IN PREPARATION FOR S4 PRELIMS

THE TIMETABLES CAN BE ACCESSED THROUGH THE S4/5/6 YEAR GROUP TEAMS

THESE SESSIONS ARE A FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY TO SEEK FURTHER SUPPORT FROM CLASS TEACHERS



e-Sgoil Study Support

e-Sgoil is now accepting student registrations for its programme of real time interactive Study Support Webinars that will begin on the 6th of September 2021.

Scan the QR code to visit the website and register



We are thrilled to announce that Notre Dame has received the Digital Schools Award! Well done to all staff and pupils for the hard work in developing their use of digital technologies.



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FAMILY LEARNING & SUPPORT

FAMILY LEARNING EVENTS

Thank you to everyone who completed the Family Learning questionnaire.

We are using the feedback to plan our learning events. Please scan the QR code to see which events you can sign up for:





ASD Support Group

We hosted our second ASD Parental Support Group online in October. Parents/ Carers kindly offered their thoughts on the meeting:

'It was a rare opportunity to discuss the strengths and the needs of our children. It was great to be able to share experiences, good or bad, as well as strategies/tips that parents felt worked well with their children.'

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday 24th November at 5pm.** If you would like to attend the group please get in touch: gw16catenanadia@glow.sch.uk

Social Media Safety

Keeping young people safe online is a high priority for schools and families.
There are fantastic resources available on the Think You Know website to keep you informed on how to keep your child safe online. Scan the QR code with your phone camera to find tool kits and advice on their

website





Financial Aid

Do you have any concerns about paying bills and debt? You can access free, confidential debt advice from GEMAP Scotland.

Get in touch with our school contact Gerry Ryan by email glasgowschools@gemap.co.uk or call 0141 773 5850 to arrange an appointment.

'Gerry informed me of a huge range of opportunities... thanks to GEMAP my family situation has dramatically improved. I would strongly advise every single parent and carer associated with NDHS to get in touch.' (S2 Parent)

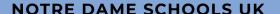
LITURGICAL EVENTS

SI WELCOME MASS

Every year we host our S1 Welcome Mass to celebrate our youngest pupils settling into Notre Dame. We were thrilled to hold Mass this year, ensuring the necessary restrictions were in place to maintain distancing and safety measures where required.

HOLY ROSARY

Every Wednesday morning we host the Holy Rosary before classes begin. It has been lovely to see staff and pupils attending. It is a great way to start the day.



One of the privileges of being a Notre Dame school, is the connection to a national and global network who share the vision of our Foundress, St. Julie Billiart. As Headteacher of one of ten Notre Dame schools in Britain, I am invited to participate in an annual conference, hosted by the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, and this year I was joined by Ms O'Neill, Principal Teacher of Religious Education. Given our shared experiences over the last 18 months, the theme of our conference could not have been more appropriate -"Confidence and Courage"! Through prayer, reflection and sharing of experiences, we identified opportunities for growth as a school and for collaborative projects across schools. We have taken the first steps in this regard with the online Climate Change Summit, designed and hosted by ourselves in Glasgow, the first of many joint projects. My aim is that our young people and staff recognise, realise and benefit from this global network which continues to be led by such an inspirational congregation of women.

Mrs Martin, Headteacher

ST SIMONS PARTICK

Following the recent fire which devastated St Simon's Parish, in Partick, Notre Dame wanted to gift a painting to the church, commemorating its former glory.



WHAT HAVE OUR PUPILS BEEN LEARNING...

SCIENCE

S2 were studying rainbows in Science, investigating what happens to white light when it travels through prisms and identifying the order of colours!





S2 baked some spooky yet delicious Halloween cakes! We don't know how the Great British Bake Off judges every week these are all



HOME ECONOMICS winners!

S6 LEADERSHIP

Our S6 Leadership class hosted a whole afternoon of Halloween activities for our S1 pupils.



Answer



A Puzzle a Day

What is the Smallest?

The sum of five consecutive even numbers is 230. What is the smallest?

Answer is 42

How?

Consider that the smallest even number is x+2 so sum of five consecutive even numbers (x+2)+(x+4)+(x+6)+(x+8)+(x+10)=230solve and get value of x x=40

it means smallest even number is 40+2 =42

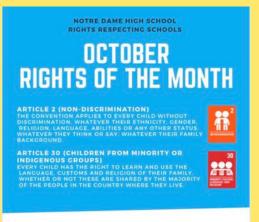


MATHS WEEK

Pupils participated in a number of activities as part of Maths Week. They were excited to solve Maths Murder Mysteries, developing their teamwork. The Maths department also issued 'A Puzzle a Day' with a lot of very successful responses throughout the week! Finally, Libby Rose, S1 was the winner of the Maths Photography competition 'Maths Inside'. We are looking forward to seeing her work and featured in the newsletter next month!

RAISING AWARENESS

RIGHTS RESPECTING SCHOOLS AWARD





1st-31st October

BLACK HISTORY MONTH IS CELEBRATED IN OCTOBER EVERY YEAR AND IS A CELEBRATION OF KEY FIGURES AND EVENTS IN BLACK HISTORY. IN 2021 THE THEME IS 'PROUD TO BE', WHICH AIMS TO RECOGNISE THE ACHIEVEMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS THAT BLACK PEOPLE MAKE TO THE UK EVERY DAY, FROM WORKING ON THE COVID-19 FRONTLINE IN HOSPITALS, CARE HOMES, SCHOOLS AND SUPERMAKETS TO THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE LEADING THE FIGHT FOR EQUALITY IN THE CLASSROOM.





Every month the Rights
Respecting Schools Group
(RRSA) choose specific
rights as a focus for our
school.

This month we focused on Article 2 and Article 30.
Both were chosen to link with Black History Month.





ND CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE

In preparation for COP26, Notre Dame held a UK wide online conference, hosting all of the Notre Dame schools. The schools partipated in workshops, discussed the importance of the Global Goals and made their own personal pledges to help reduce the effects of climate change. Fantastic participation from staff and pupils.



WIDER

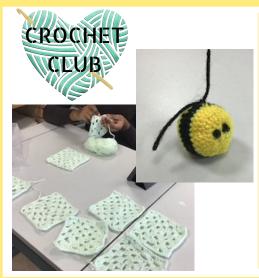
ECO CLUB







The Eco club is getting the gardens ready for winter! They have been busy repotting the memorial garden plant pots and the hanging baskets around the school. This was a much needed refresh for the seasonal change! Thank you Tesco Maryhill and Springburn for donating tools, soil and plants.



After attending crochet club for a couple of sessions, Mounia and Amna have been working on their own projects! All they needed was to learn a couple of stitches and they were off!



Aoibhe, S3 has been working with the Art & Design Department to design logos for the new Pastoral Care house names. We are really looking forward to seeing the end result!

Our pupils are always going the extra mile to achieve in various ways. Here is just a snapshot of the activities they have taken part in this month.

HINT OF PINK





S6 Leadership did a fantastic job in organising our annual 'Hint of Pink' fundraiser. Here are Mr O'Neill and Mrs Martin wearing their pink!

Through various initiatives S6 raised £1320 for Breast Cancer.

DofE

Our DofE Silver Group completed their practice assessment last week in Auchangillan. They completd a 2 night expedition and were lucky with the dry weather (this time!) This year, our volunteer coach Mr Henry has been busy supporting Bronze, Silver and Gold DofE groups. He is one very busy man!