

# Craigie Record

Welcome to the bumper Christmas edition of the *Craigie Record*, Craigmarloch's unofficial school newspaper. The editorial team wish you a very merry Christmas and a happy new year.



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**THEY CAME, THEY THAW, THEY CONQUERED!!!**



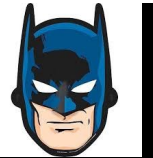
With tree-mendous decorations (adhering to the current regulations) throughout the hall, it was time again for Craigmarloch's un-fir-gettable primary Christmas show. Although Secondary pupils may have complained that it's snow fair that they didn't get to participate, we all know Christmas is a time for all children and especially the children of our Primary department.

This year's theme was Snowmen and it was presented by the angelic voices of Nathan Graham and William Hearty. They expertly guided the audience through the many sparkling performances which melted the icy hearts of the audience. With many opportunities for solo performances, the Christmas Show once again enabled young people to raise their elf

esteem and snow what they could do. Once again the highlight was the Nativity scene in which P1 performed a-manger-ingly. Mr Walker had the final sleigh, describing it a "fantastic performance by all of our young people!". Truly this show provides myrrh and myrrh every year!

*Mr S Claus, Guest Editor*

# Craigmarloch Heroes Chris the Bus "Driver"



Craigmarloch would be a much quieter place if the pupils didn't make it into school every day. Chris is one of the legendary people who makes sure education happens every day by getting the pupils here at some point during Period 1!



Logan Munley and Dylan Molloy met Chris to find out more about the life of one of our longest serving drivers.

**Were you raised by Bus Drivers?**

No.

**If you could own any type of bus, what would it be?**

Football bus, but I'm not saying which team!

**How do you feel about Laurence being the number one bus driver?**

He needs to prove it by working hard.

**What age were you when you started working here and how many years ago was that?**

I was 18 and a half, and that was 30 years ago.

**What age would you like to be again and why?**

12 so I could work harder at school.

**What is your favourite place to drive to?**

Home.

**Who, in your professional opinion, is the worst driver in Craigmarloch?**

Jason because he thinks his car's a dodgem.

**What is the weirdest thing you have seen while driving the bus?**

Laurence working!

**Would you rather fight a duck sized lion or a lion sized duck?**

Lion sized duck.

**Messi or Ronaldo**  
Messi

**Bake off or Masterchef**  
Neither

**McDonalds or Burger King**  
McDonalds

**Jack or Victor**  
Jack

# Mr Evans - A warning from History



Dylan Molloy and Logan Munley took their questions to Mr Evans. Here's what he had to say:

**What is the most pointless fact you know?**

(After a two week pause...) President Abraham Lincoln is in the American Wrestling Hall of Fame.

**Why do you like baseball?**

Because it's a simple children's game made willfully difficult.

**What is your favourite social subject?**

Modern Studies.

**Who is your favourite dictator?**

Darius the Great of Persia. He invented the motorway billboard (the Behistun Inscription - "google it!" says Mr E).

**Do you believe Genghis Khan did good for the world?**

He created 1000 lessons for history teachers.

**What do you think is the most important world event in the last 100 years?**

The invention of television.

**Where would you rather live—Scotland or America?**

The cruellest question!

**Would you rather fight a lion sized duck or a duck sized lion?**

A lion sized duck.

# In brief

**Strictly or X-Factor?**  
Neither

**Messi or Ronaldo?**  
Messi.

**Bake off or Masterchef?**  
Bake Off

**McDonalds or Burger King?**  
McDonalds

**Box Set or Cinema?**  
TV Box Set.

**Jack or Victor?**  
Jack

# HEAD PUPIL SOPHIE SHERIDAN

Head Pupils were elected in October. Here is a chance to find out more about Sophie Sheridan in S6. Daniel Bell asked the questions.



What is the best thing about being a head pupil?

It's good.

Do you plan to take over the school?

Yes

Why did you want to become a Head Pupil?

Because I want to help the pupils.

What you plan to change within the school?

Pupils would be able to use the stem room when it rains.

What's your favourite season?

Spring and winter.

Who is your favourite teacher?

Mrs Brown (Art Teacher)

What is your favourite TV show?

Stranger Things

Would you rather fight a duck sized lion or a lion sized duck?

Lion sized duck.

## Setting an example

Strictly or X Factor

X Factor

Anna or Elsa

Elsa

McDonalds or Burger King

McDonalds

TV Box Set or Cinema

Cinema

# NOVEMBER A TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

## DANCING FOR FIONA



On November 1st, pupils across the school took part in a Dance-A-Thon to raise money in memory of Fiona Edgar, a former Deputy Head Teacher. Over £1000 was raised which will be used to create a special space in our Sensory Garden.

## FOR THE FALLEN

Three of our head pupils - Liam Duffy, Daniel Bell and Ross O'Donnell - represented Craigmarloch School at the annual Service of Remembrance at the Cenotaph in Port Glasgow. Following the event, Daniel Bell said "it was a good experience and I felt proud to lay a wreath on a monument for the two World Wars".





## Game Review with Logan Munley



**What is the game about?**

It's the 2020 version of the famous foot- ball game.

**Is it realistic?**

Yes, apart from some of the names are not the real ones.

**How much is it?**

£49.99 in Argos.

**Should I buy it?**

Yes.

**Why?**

Because it's a good game.

**Is it better than the last FIFA?**

Slightly.

**Which games console is the best one to play it on?**

Playstation 4

## THE GREATEST SHOW



During the last week of an incredibly busy term, Craigmarloch was sent back in time to when the internet wasn't a thing, and kids just had to play with fire and go to the circus.

But there was one thing that changed forever. A group of circus performers came to Port Glasgow Town to perform a greatest show to inspire the next generation.

The show brought wonder, bright beautiful colours, and big animals (no, we're not talking about you, Mr Evans!).

During the show, breath-taking performances - like none that have ever been seen before - took place with tricks and flips, and people jumping from high heights. Pupils learned stilt-walking, which gave primary pupils some role models to look up to. A small person rode a horse while standing up, checking

pupils' achievement of the many benchmarks covered.

One pupil who took part enjoyed the experience so much they said they "wish for happiness like this forever".

At the end of the fun filled three days, pupils remembered to thank all staff who helped create such an amazing experience, which was a very kind jester.

*Daniel Bell, S5*

# BAKE OFF UPDATE



## IT MIGHT NOT HAPPEN!!!!



# HAUNTED HAPPENINGS

On 31st October, very few pupils were in school as Craigmarloch was overrun by frightening gangs of clowns, zombies, ghosts and vampires.

Fortunately there were also a large number of superheroes present who managed to fight off the forces of darkness.

Following these events a fantastic clean up operation led by Mr Orr returned Craigmarloch to a state ready for a plethora of high quality learning experiences.

With the school secured, pupils were able to return to the school for the Dance-A-Thon the following day.



## fun facts - James Silver

Christmas was banned in the UK by Oliver Cromwell.

Christmas was invented by Pagans.

You are more likely to be killed by a vending machine than by a shark.

Some avocado businesses are run by Mexican cartels.

Coca-cola used to have cocaine in it.

North Korea and Cuba are the only countries where you can't buy Coca-cola.

The chainsaw was invented to cut through bone in surgery.

The most times anyone has survived being struck by lightning is seven times.

Mario was named after the landlord of the Nintendo company.

There are 10,277 balloons in the film *Up*.

The line "we're going to need a bigger boat" in *Jaws* was improvised.

# DEATH NOTICES

**Mrs Gren (Hamster)**

**2017-2019**



Mrs Gren lived to the ripe old age of two years (which is very old in hamster years).

She was a loving companion who will much missed by our school community.



# CHRISTMAS JOKES



Who delivers presents to baby sharks at Christmas?

*Santa Jaws*

What is Santa's daughter called?

*Mary Christmas*

What do you call a doctor?

*Doctor Who*

What's as big as Santa but weights nothing?

*Santa's Shadow!*

What is a skunk's favourite Christmas song?

*Jingle Smells*

What award did the person who invented the knock-knock joke win?

*A no-bell prize.*

How much did Santa pay for his sleigh?

*Nothing - it was on the house!*

What do you get when you cross a duck with Santa?

*A Christmas quacker.*

Who hides in a bakery at Christmas?

*A mince spy.*



## QUIZ OF THE YEAR

Get your answers back to the Editorial team to win the prize of being featured in the February edition of the Craigie Record. Good luck!

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| <p>1. What colour was Santa Claus originally?</p> <p>2. Which member of staff has the oldest car?</p> <p>3. What is the name of St Nicholas's evil accomplice?</p> <p>4. Where are the Port Glasgow Christmas lights switched on?</p> | <p>5. What is the Christmas plant called?</p> <p>6. What was the most popular Christmas film on Netflix in 2018?</p> <p>7. Which country features a maple leaf on its flag?</p> <p>8. In a standard pack of cards, which king does not have a moustache?</p> <p>9. In which European city was the Doner Kebab invented?</p> <p>10. What country did Sawney Bean come from?</p> | <p>11. Which actor plays The Grinch in the film <i>The Grinch</i>?</p> <p>12. How many bones are in a five-fingered human hand?</p> <p>13. Which actor did the voice for the genie in the film <i>Aladdin</i>?</p> <p>14. In what year was the band AC/DC formed?</p> <p>15. What team was unbeaten throughout the 2003-04 English Premier League season?</p> <p>16. On what date was <i>Overwatch</i> released?</p> |
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# The Craigie Record

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# SPORT

## SPONSORED WALK



On Friday 29th November, pupils from S1 to S3 went on a 5k walk around Battery Park to raise money for Ardgowan Hospice. This has been part of the Wider Achievement course with Mrs Owejan. Speaking to the *Greenock Telegraph*, Mrs Owejan said that “she couldn’t be prouder of my students”.

## FOOTBALL TEAM UPDATE



Since the October break former professional footballer Mr Byrne has been leading the school’s footballers through a demanding series of training routines as they hone their skills for the forthcoming season. Following an exodus of talented players – many of whom have stepped up to college level – new stars of the future have had their first opportunity to develop their prowess. Mr Byrne is once again confident that you can in fact win things with kids.

