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We're there and it's the summer holidays!

Have a great summer everyone!

The Editorial Team 2024-25



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SPAG BOL SAVES THE DAY

Following one of Commander Fisher's epic 100 mile walks, one of our Cadets took ill only to be revived by a hearty bowl of Mrs Barney's legendary pasta dish. Within minutes the dish had worked its magic and Luke was straight back to regaling the squadron with stories of Rasputin and Putting on the Ritz.



ART EXHIBITION UNLEASHES CANVAS OF CREATIVITY





Craigmarloch Art department unleashed a canvas of creativity on the Wyllieum with an art showcase of 220 dazzling pieces by the many young Picassos of the Secondary Department.

The highlight of the evening was a life fulfilling opportunity for Ken McCluskey, who finally got the chance to perform with some of Craigmarloch's in-house

musicians. McCluskey strummed his way into the spotlight with a live performance of Young at Heart, where he was joined by a whole host of backing singers, including some from the audience.

His performance was the final brushstroke on a night full of colourful moments and vibrant vibes that painted smiles, sculpted confidence, and created a night to remember!



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Craigmarloch Heroes Debbie Canney



One of our team of Office Legends, Mrs Canney also has the important job of managing the school funds. Despite this, she manages to keep a smile on her face and keeps everything running smoothly!



What sort of things do you do in the office each day?

Lots of things: answer phones, answer enquiries, typing and letting people in and out of the door.

What is your favourite Tom Cruise film?

It'll just need to be Top Gun I think!

What is your favourite meal?

I'm going to have to say Chicken Satay from the Chinese.

What jobs have you done before Craigmarloch?

It's very boring. I used to work at Inverclyde Council doing finance, benefits and debt collecting for 18 years.

What are your favourite shops?

River Island and NewLook.

What was your favourite subject at school?

PE. I was quite sporty and didn't have to think too much!

What school did you go to?

Greenock Academy. It's not there any more!

What is your favourite band in the world?

I love the Killers—they are my favourite of all time! But it's between them and Kings of Leon.

What Tom Hardy film do you like?

I can't remember what he's in but I do like him!

Who is your favourite singer?

I would need to go for Beyonce.

What is your favourite Ice Cream?

I don't eat it a lot but it would have to be Esplanade Café Ice Cream.

What is the best holiday you have been on and what would be your dream destination?

It's got to be Florida. I loved meeting Mickey and Minnie Mouse. And I would love to visit the Maldives in the future.

Who is your favourite bus driver?

Don't ask me that, that's cruel! I would still go with Chris as my number one driver.

Which Jason Statham film do you like?

I like snatch, that's a good film!

Do you have any pets?

No. I hate pets! I'm not an animal person.

Do you have any kids?

I have one boy. He's not a kid anymore though - he's in High School now!

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

Duck Sized Lion. I would need to give it a swift boot or karate chop!

McDonalds or Burger King?

McDonalds

Pepsi of Cocacola?

Cocacola

Cinema or Theatre?

Cinema

Chocolate or Crisps?

Both together

Jack or Victor? Jack



Mapping our futures Mrs Hanratty





Social subjects teacher Mrs Hanratty is our school's geography specialist, which is handy in helping young people and staff finiding their way to and from the Enterprise Centre.

What is your favourite topic to teach and why?

Geography, because you can see it ouside, everywhere.

What is your favourite Ben Affleck film?

He was in Batman, wasn't he? But he;s not my favourite Batman! Christian Bale is the best!

Who is your favourite singer?

I really like Michael Buble. I've seen him in concert and it was amazing. I also like Lady Gaga, Jamiroquai and Janet and Michael Jackson.

What is your favourite musical?

I don't really go to musicals but I sang in Guys and Dolls and Tin Pan Alley when I was at school.

McDonalds or Burger King?

McDonalds

Egypt or Antarctica?

Antarctica, for the penguins!

Pizza Hut or Dominos?

Neither. We make our own.

Romans or Vikings?

Vikings

Jack or Victor?

Bobby the Barman.

What is your favourite continent and

Africa because of all the animals. I went to Kenya and Tanzania to see them when I was 20.

What school did you go to?

I grew up in Dumfries and went to Laurieknow Primary School and Dumfries High School.

What was your favourite subject and teacher at school?

My favourite was Geography but I didn't really like the teacher. I liked the English teacher though - he was really funny and had a big moustache.

What do you like to do in your spare time?

I like reading, watching box sets and gardening, but I'm not very good at it!

Do you have any children?

I have my stepson Adam and he's 20.



What is your favourite animal from a different country and why?

A giraffe, because they have big eyelashes.

What's the best thing about the Accountant?

Robbie has given me a big long list of movies to watch, and that's one of them!

What is your favourite song?

It depends on what my mood is. Sometimes I like sad songs and sometimes I like happy songs. I'll tell you what I don't like though: Abba

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and Bohemian Rhapsody!

Do you have any pets?

I have a cat called Tigger. She is a big fluffy tortoiseshell.



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

I've been thinking about this one! A duck sized lion because I like cats. I'd give it a pet and some treats and hopefully it would lie down!





From what I've seen. Aladdin.

probably Mean Girls. Who is the baddest Power

And of the ones I'd like to see,

It's been a while since I watched power rangers but Merikan from Time Force.

Who is your favourite actor?

Robert Downey Junior.

Rangers villain?

Who is the worst Disney villain?

Scar from the Lion King.

What hobbies do you have?

Acting, singing, playing instruments and swimming...



What instruments do you play?

Xylophone, ukulele, guitar and trombone. And I've been starting to play Saxophone.

McDonalds or Burger King?

McDonalds.

Pepsi or Coke?

Cocacola

Chocolate or Crisps?

Crisps

Cats or Dogs?

Dogs

Cinema or Theatre?

Theatre

Jack or Victor?

Isa

What is your favourite food?

Steak Pie.

What is your favourite restaurant?

Frankie and Benny's at Braehead.

What's your favourite place to go on holiday?

Spain-Benidorm orTenerife

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

Lion Sized Duck! I would hug it to death!



What is your favourite subject?

Good question. Probably music but art is a close second!

What is your favourite film?

Probably final destination. always loved horror movies and they go overboard with the deaths in it!

What school did you go to before Craigmarloch?

All Saints Primary School.

What is your favourite rock band?

The Black Keys.

Who is your favourite member of staff?

Mrs Hanratty. I feel like she's a fun teacher and comes up with fun lessons!

What is your favourite musical?





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CRAIGIE AWARDS



2025



It's been another long year and what better way to celebrate it than bringing back the Craigie Awards for the first time since 2021! These are the awards that you, the Craigie Record readers, have voted for in the categories that matter most to you, as part of our noble Craigmarloch tradition of democracy!



Best member of management

Cassie Wright

Comedian of the Year

William Hearty

Best International Male

Mr Anglim

Best International Female

Barbara Jacher

Best Classroom

The Enterprise Centre

Best Soundtrack

Mr Drever's News Theme



Questioner of the Year

Lewis Dallas

Dad of the Year

Mr Osborne Sr





Vote Winner of the Year

Joseph McIlwee

Bus Driver of the Year

John Fisher

Best Hairstyle

Hugh McGarrigle

Tool of the Year

Mrs McDougall

Lion of the Year

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