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I am so thrilled that I am finally doing this Craigle Record guest editing thing. And from the bottom of my heart, obviously, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Craigmarloch School! Lewis Dallas, Editor



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REVOLTING ELVES

Disgruntled elves are reported to be in revolt having felt unappreciated by Santa and his team of reindeer. It is hoped that by having even more Wednesday meetings (and more on Fridays and at weekends!) the dispute will be resolved in the new year!



KNOCKING THEIR PETER PANS IN



Craigmarloch's Secondary Department once again went hook, line and sinker and knocked their pans into a school show full of dead pan humour and those jokes that never land. With an all star cast of teachers and PSAs tinkering with every aspect of production there was little left to chance and by following orders all outcomes were achieved. Congratulations to all pirates, fairies, balloons and lost boys on another successful Craigmarloch drama production.

STOP PRESS! NEXT YEAR'S SHOW CHOSEN!



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Craigmarloch Heroes Claire Gallacher



With a range of interesting hobbies, Claire has brought her unique energy to Craigmarloch School. As she's been here since the early days of the Craigie Record, she awaited the questions with some trepidation. Here's what she had to say to our interview team last week!



How long have you worked at Craigmarloch?

I've been here for six years and at Countryview before that.

What were your favourite subjects at school?

My favourite subjects were maths and art.

Who was your favourite teacher?

Mr Rourke the art teacher at Greenock High.

Do you like singing and what is your favourite song?

I love singing — it is my favourite. My weans hate me because I always sing the wrong words. My favourite song at the moment is Kipper by Baluga Lagoon.

Do you like Steve the penguin and Tom the chicken?

They are pests—they are the bane of my life!



Do you like dogs and do you have one?

I love dogs and I do have one. She is my favourite kind and she is a lurcher. I also have two cats but they are little horrors!



Do you like mince and potatoes?

I love mince and potatoes but my favourite dish would be my Nanny's lasagne.

And it has to be her lasagne!

Do you have any interesting hobbies?

I wouldn't call them interesting but I like hillwalking, wild swimming and exploring

the highlands. My favourite climb was going to the top of Ben Lomond for sunrise.



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

Lion sized duck, because they like sandwiches, not people!

McDonalds or Burger King?

Burger King obviously!

Mary or Harry?

The big skinny one - Marv!

Jesus or Santa?

Santa all day long. Jesus isn't real!

Cats or Dogs?

Dpgs obviously.— my wee Bella is my bestie.

Jack or Victor?

Jack.. He's just funnier.



Keeping Count Mrs Dennis





Whether teaching maths, baking cakes, co-ordinating Halloween party games or running trips to the Big City, Mrs Dennis is always involved with the main events of our school. Here's what she had to say

to this term's brilliant interview team.

Do you like to sing and what is your favourite Christmas song?

I love to sing when I'm the car. It's got to be Mariah Carey –it's a classic isn't it?

What is your favourite number?

My favourite number would be number 7. I grew up in house number 7 and the first house I bought was number 7 and I still live

Who is your favourite reindeer?

Everyone's favourite has to be Rudolph. There's a song about him after all!

What is your favourite TV show and Christmas movie?

Line of Duty and my favourite Christmas

Summer or Winter?

Summer.

Jesus or Santa?

Santa.

McDonalds or Burger King?

McDonalds

Hallowe'en or Christmas?

Christmas

Jack or Victor?

Jack. He reminds me of my dad!

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movie is Home Alone 2: Lost in New York

What is your favourite holiday you've been on?

That's an easy one. It has to be New York. We went on boxing day last year and it was very Christmassy. I felt like Kevin in Home Alone 2!



What is your favourite food and drink?

A roast. Who doesn't love a roast dinner? And a full fat coke with ice.

What was your favourite subject at school?

I loved Home Ec-it was definitely a

favourite. I had the best history teacher too!

Who is your favourite football team and football player?

I'm a Chelsea fan because my son supports Chelsea. My favourite player is Cole Palmer.



What job would you have done is you weren't a teacher?

It's unsociable hours but I would have loved to own my own restaurant.

What is your favourite plant?

At this time of year it's a poinsettia but any plant

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in my house doesn't last long!

Who is your favourite princess?

It's got to be Ariel!

Do you have a dog?

I do. She's called Daisy and is a spoiled 3 year old Cockapoo!



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

Lion sized Duck, because ducks don't have teeth!



Pupil Interview Dylan McDonald





Do you like walks?

No.

Do you like fish and chips?

Actually I like Burger and Chips!

Do you like Christmas and what is your favourite thing about it?

Yes. The favourite thing is unwrapping presents.

What is your favourite show on Netlflix or any other streaming platform?

Vengeance Most Foul because it's on Netflix and iPlayer.

Can you tell us a joke?

No.

Do you have a pet and what is your favourite animal?

No but my favourite is the husky dog.

Do you like Science?

Yes. I do. It's interesting.

What is your favourite subject?

I like History. It can be gory and true. I like the Tudor period the best!



Do you like singing?

No. It's a curse!

Do you think the US election was rigged?

Yes it was - Trump rigged the election! (In Dylan's opinion. The Craigie Record is a politically neutral media organisation!)

Do you think democracy is important?

Yes because it's politics!

John or Paul?

John.

Margaret Thatcher or Tony Blair?

Margaret.

Jesus or Santa?

Santa. Ho ho ho.

Inside walk or outside walk?

Inside walk.

McDonalds or Burger King?

Both.

Jack or Victor?

Will McKenzie

Do you like Iggle Piggle?

I hate Iggle Piggle! He's underrated!

Do you mean overrated?

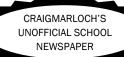
No. He's underrated!

Do you like spicy food?

Bleeurgh! It burns my mouth!

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

A duck sized lion because it's easy!





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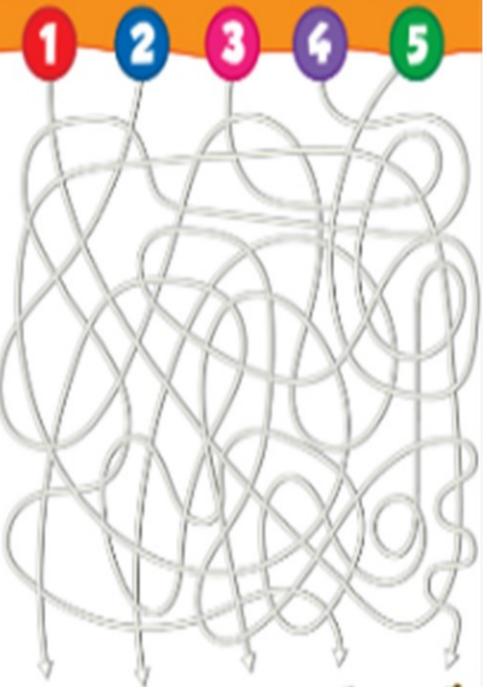
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HAPPY GRINCHMAS!

In any school, there are always people out there to spoil our Christmas fun and disrupt the season of goodwill. However there are many different types of Christmas grinch. Find out which one you are by picking a number and following the lines.













Ms Morgan