



OCTOBER

Newsletter

AUCHENHARVIE
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INTRODUCTION

AS WE WELCOME THE VIBRANT COLORS OF OCTOBER, WE ARE EXCITED TO SHARE WITH YOU THE WONDERFUL PROGRESS OUR STUDENTS HAVE BEEN MAKING THIS TERM. FROM ENGAGING CLASSROOM PROJECTS TO INSPIRING EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY HAS BEEN BUZZING WITH CREATIVITY AND COLLABORATION.

IN THIS NEWSLETTER, YOU'LL FIND HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENTS, INNOVATIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCES, AND UPCOMING EVENTS THAT BRING US ALL CLOSER TOGETHER.

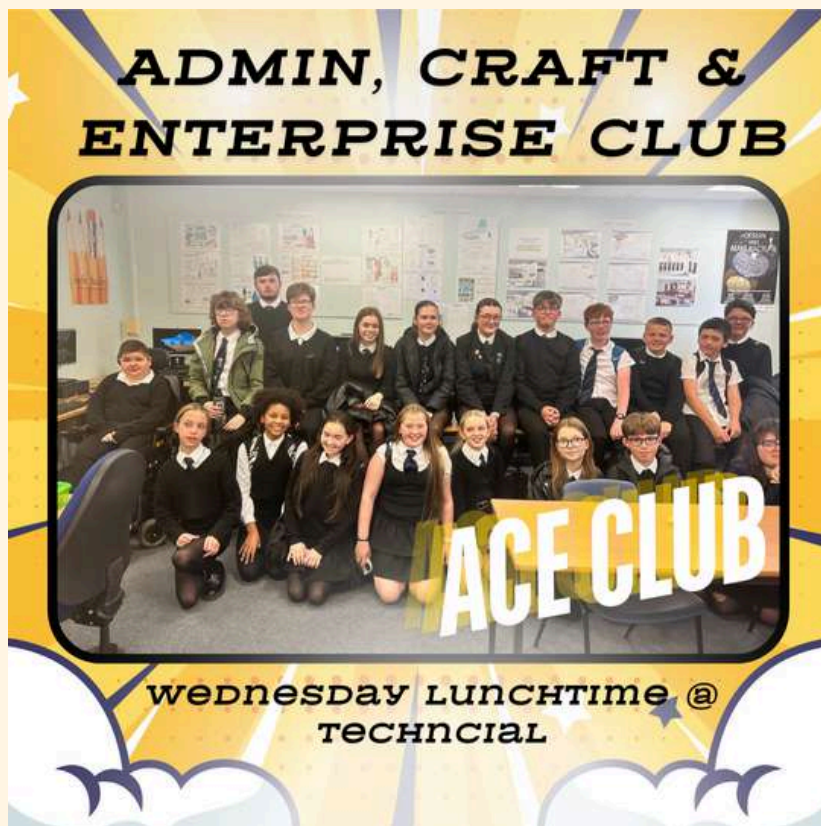
AS WE APPROACH THE OCTOBER HOLIDAY, PLEASE NOTE THAT SCHOOL WILL FINISH THIS FRIDAY AT 2:50 PM AND WILL RESUME ON MONDAY, THE 21ST, AT 8:45 AM. WE WISH YOU ALL A FANTASTIC HOLIDAY.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND INVOLVEMENT IN MAKING THIS A GREAT TERM FOR OUR CHILDREN!



ENTERPRISE

OUR A.C.E CLUB WHICH IS RUN BY OUR TECH AMBASSADORS HAVE HAD A GREAT START TO THE NEW TERM. THEY HAVE BEEN DESIGNING AND SELLING PRODUCTS FOR THE SCHOOL AND LOCAL COMMUNITY SO LOOK OUT FOR THESE PRODUCTS COMING YOUR WAY SOON!





EXPRESSIVE ARTS

EXPRESSIVE ARTS EXTRA
CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES ARE WELL
UNDERWAY WITH WEEKLY GROUPS -
ART CLUB, GUITAR CLUB, BAND FOR
ALL AND MUSICAL THEATRE.



ART CLUB ARE ALREADY BUSY MAKING
VARIOUS ITEMS TO BE SOLD AT THE
CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING/FAYRE
ON THE MORNING OF FRIDAY 6TH
DECEMBER. GUITAR CLUB AND BAND
FOR ALL ARE REHEARSING FOR THE
CHRISTMAS CONCERT ON TUESDAY
17TH DECEMBER 7PM. MUSICAL
THEATRE'S FIRST EVENT IS THE TRI-
SERVICE AWARD CEREMONY IN
SALTCOATS TOWN HALL ON 25TH SEPT
WHEN THEY WILL BE PROVIDING
MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT. WE ARE
ALSO LOOKING FORWARD TO THE
ANNOUNCEMENT OF OUR SCHOOL
SHOW WHICH WILL BE PERFORMED ON
17TH, 18TH, 19TH JUNE. WATCH THIS
SPACE!!

MODERN LANGUAGE AMBASSADORS

SINCE RETURNING TO SCHOOL, WE HAVE RECRUITED ADDITIONAL MODERN LANGUAGES AMBASSADORS, WHO WILL CHAMPION 'LANGUAGE LEARNING' WITHIN THE SCHOOL AND THE COMMUNITY. THE TEAM WILL CREATE A CALENDAR OF EVENTS TO PROMOTE LANGUAGES OVER THE COURSE OF THE YEAR. FOLLOW US ON 'X' FOR OUR LATEST NEWS.



IN ADDITION, WE HAVE OUR SPANISH AND FRENCH LUNCH CLUBS UP AND RUNNING, TAKING PLACE ON TUESDAYS AND WEDNESDAYS. ALL PUPILS ARE WELCOME AND CAN BRING THEIR LUNCH ALONG. LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND



LESLEY NIVEN
SDS CAREERS ADVISOR
AUCHENHARVE ACADEMY

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND (SDS) IS THE NATIONAL CAREER SERVICE, AND THEY HAVE CAREERS ADVISERS IN EVERY STATE SECONDARY SCHOOL IN SCOTLAND.

THE SDS CAREER SERVICE HELPS PEOPLE DEVELOP THEIR CAREER MANAGEMENT SKILLS AND MAKE CONFIDENT DECISIONS FOR THEIR FUTURE.

PUPILS CAN SPEAK TO THEIR SDS CAREERS ADVISER THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR AND WILL ALSO BE SUPPORTED BY THEM AT KEY TIMES SUCH AS STARTING S1, MAKING OPTION CHOICES, AND PREPARING FOR MOVING ON FROM SCHOOL. THIS SERVICE WILL BE DELIVERED THROUGH DROP-INS, ONE-TO-ONE APPOINTMENTS, AND GROUP LEARNING SESSIONS.

THERE IS LOTS OF USEFUL CAREER INFORMATION AND ADVICE AVAILABLE AT ANY TIME THROUGH SCOTLAND'S CAREER WEBSITE MY WORLD OF WORK. THERE IS ALSO A DEDICATED AREA FOR PARENTS AND CARERS WITH INFORMATION TO HELP YOU HAVE CAREER CONVERSATIONS AT HOME.

IF YOU OR YOUR YOUNG PERSON WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH YOUR SCHOOL CAREERS ADVISER, PLEASE CONTACT LESLEY NIVEN ON 01294 685325 OR EMAIL LESLEY.NIVEN@SDS.CO.UK

BEYOND SCHOOL, SDS ADVISERS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE AT ONE OF SDS'S NETWORK OF CENTRES OR COMMUNITY VENUES ACROSS THE COUNTRY OR VIA OUR HELPLINE. TO GET SUPPORT OR ARRANGE AN APPOINTMENT CALL THE SDS FREEPHONE HELPLINE ON 0800 917 8000 (MONDAY TO FRIDAY, 9AM TO 5PM).

STEVENSTON PAVILLION

HERE'S SOME PHOTOS OF THE STEVENSTON PAVILLION THAT PUPILS DESIGNED DRAWINGS FOR AS PART OF A MURAL COMPETITION WITH TRAGIC O' HARA. IT CAN BE SEEN DOWN AT STEVENSTON BEACH.



THE WINNERS GOT TO GO TO SHRED SKATEPARK TO LEARN GRAFFITI ART AND GOT A SHOT AT SKATEBOARDING.

SOCIAL SUBJECTS

S1 SOCIAL SUBJECTS

OUR S1 PUPILS HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THE HOLOCAUST COURSE. FOR THEIR FIRST ASSESSMENT THEY WERE PRACTISING THEIR REPORTING SKILLS BY CREATING A NEW ARTICLE EXPLAINING THE EVENTS OF KRISTALLNACHT. PUPILS WORKED VERY HARD CREATING THESE AND STAINING THEM SO THEY LOOK AUTHENTIC.



S4 MODERN STUDIES

S4 MODERN STUDIES CLASS HAD A VISIT FROM PC FERGUSON WHO DISCUSSED THE UK'S COUNTER TERRORISM STRATEGY. PUPILS REALLY ENJOYED HEARING ABOUT HOW THE UK TACKLES TERRORISM AND THE PLOTS THAT HAVE BEEN FOILED.

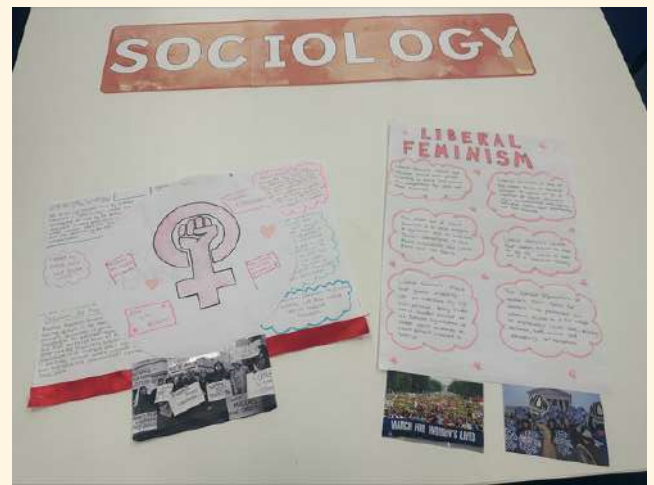
S4-6 MODERN STUDIES

TRIP TO FIRST MINISTERS QUESTIONS CONFIRMED FOR THE 28TH OF NOVEMBER. THERE ARE 30 SPACES AVAILABLE. ALL PUPILS WILL HAVE BEEN GIVEN A PERMISSION LETTER THAT THEY SHOULD RETURN ASAP IF THEY WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND. ANY QUESTIONS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO MRS MACFARLANE.

SOCIAL SUBJECTS

SOCIOLOGY

HIGHER SOCIOLOGY TEAMED UP TO BECOME EXPERTS ON THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF FEMINISM. FANTASTIC RESOURCES WERE CREATED TO TEACH EACH OTHER ABOUT THESE TYPES. DEFINITELY A FEW FORMER TEACHERS IN OUR MIX!



S5&6 BARISTA

PUPILS IN THE SENIOR BARISTA CLASS ARE WORKING TOWARDS THEIR LEVEL 5 BARISTA QUALIFICATION, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE RETAIL NATIONAL 5 COURSE. PUPILS ARE SUCCESSFULLY USING THEIR SKILLS TO PREPARE HOT DRINKS TO SELL TO STAFF, WITH EXCELLENT FEEDBACK. MOVING FORWARD, PUPILS INVOLVED WILL BE TAKING PART IN WHOLE SCHOOL EVENTS AS WELL AS WORKING IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

AUCHENHARVIE ACADEMY IS ACTIVELY PURSUING A POSITIVE ETHOS, WITHIN A NURTURING ENVIRONMENT, WHICH MAKES OUR YOUNG PEOPLE AWARE OF THE OPTIONS OPEN TO THEM AND THE NATURAL AND LOGICAL CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR ACTIONS. HEALTH AND WELLBEING IS AT THE HEART OF ESTABLISHING A POSITIVE AND PURPOSEFUL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE. THE QUALITY OF RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN STAFF AND LEARNERS IS CRUCIAL AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED FIRST AND FOREMOST.



POSITIVE RELATIONSHIP POLICY WILL LAUNCH AFTER THE OCTOBER BREAK. MERITS WILL BE USED TO CELEBRATE SUCCESS WITHIN THE CLASSROOM S1-S3.



POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS

IN AUCHENHARVIE ACADEMY POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS AND THE SCHOOL'S VALUES ARE AT THE HEART OF THE SCHOOL AND ARE SEEN AS UNDERPINNING ALL SUCCESSFUL LEARNING AND TEACHING. THIS IS A WHOLE SCHOOL POLICY WHICH AIMS TO PROMOTE POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL AND WITH ITS PARTNER AGENCIES.

THIS LINKS IN WITH:

AUCHENHARVIE ACADEMY'S VISION

AUCHENHARVIE ACADEMY'S VALUES

WHOLE SCHOOL NURTURING APPROACH AND PRACTICE

TRAUMA INFORMED PRACTICE

REPAIRING POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS/RESTORATIVE PRACTICE

WELLBEING INDICATORS

RIGHT RESPECTING SCHOOLS - UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES ACES

WHOLE SCHOOL LEARNING AND TEACHING POLICY

LGBTQ+

AUCHENHARVIE ACADEMY'S VISION: TO PROVIDE AN EQUITABLE AND EXCELLENT LEARNING ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL PUPILS WHICH ENABLES THEM TO ACHIEVE THEIR POTENTIAL AND SUPPORTS THEM INTO APPROPRIATE POSITIVE AND SUSTAINED DESTINATIONS

AUCHENHARVIE ACADEMY'S VALUES:

RESPECT - STRONG RELATIONSHIPS BASED ON MUTUAL RESPECT. EVERY MEMBER OF OUR SCHOOL MUST RESPECT EACH OTHER'S RIGHTS TO FEEL SAFE, BE TREATED WITH COURTESY AND CONSIDERATION AND HAVE THE RIGHT TO LEARN AND WORK.

EQUALITY - ALL MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY SHOULD BE VALUED AND SUPPORTED EQUALLY. ALL YOUNG PEOPLE MUST BE TREATED FAIRLY AND EQUALLY, AND IN TURN ARE EXPECTED TO TREAT OTHERS IN THE SAME WAY.

DETERMINATION - ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY SHOULD WORK AS HARD AS THEY CAN TO ACHIEVE THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE OUTCOMES.





FAMILY LEARNING & EQUITY

IT HAS BEEN A BUSY START FOR OUR COST OF THE SCHOOL DAY AMBASSADORS WHO ARE SUPPORTING THE SCHOOL THROUGH SHOWCASING OUR UNIFORM SHOP, NA PLUS AND HIGHLIGHTING INFORMATION ON THEIR SOCIAL MEDIA CHANNELS. WE ARE EXTREMELY PROUD OF OUR AMBASSADORS WHO WERE CHOSEN TO BE INVOLVED IN THE FILMING FOR THE CHILD POVERTY ACTION GROUP FOR SCOTLAND WHICH HAS NOW BEEN SHARED NATIONALLY AND IDENTIFIES OUR SCHOOL AS SHOWING GOOD PRACTICE WITH REGARDS TO COST OF THE SCHOOL DAY AND TACKLING POVERTY.

WE NOW ALSO HAVE A STAFF ROTA TO KEEP THE NA PLUS AREA OPEN AND ALLOW PUPILS TO ACCESS DURING REGISTRATION AND PERIOD 1 EVERY DAY. IF ANY FAMILY IS REQUIRING UNIFORM, PLEASE CONTACT MRS HOPTON ON GW08BALMERALLISON2@GLOW.SCH.UK.

WE ALSO HAVE CREATED A PARENTAL CALENDAR WHICH INCLUDES ALL THE ACTIVITIES WHERE MONEY/DONATIONS ARE REQUIRED - THIS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER THE OCTOBER HOLIDAYS.

WE HAVE A BUSY TERM AHEAD WITH HAMPER PLANS FOR FAMILIES WHO REQUIRE ONE AND ALSO A CHRISTMAS FAYRE WHICH WILL BE HELD DURING THE SCHOOL DAY ON FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL. THIS WILL START AT 9.30AM AND RUN THROUGH TO 12NOON.





Auchenharvie Coffee Morning

Friday 6th December

Assembly Hall

9.30am - 12 noon

All families invited.

Donation entry.

Includes stalls selling
festive gifts!



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