



# NEWSLETTER

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**I GOT ACCEPTED TO STRATHCLYDE. EVERY YEAR THE UNIVERSITY ACCEPTS ONLY 150 PEOPLE FOR THIS PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM IS ONLY FOR S2 GIRLS. I WAS APPLICATION NUMBER 2315. SO, THERE IS A SMALL CHANCE OF ME GETTING IN, BUT I WAS VERY LUCKY AND I GOT IN. THE PROGRAM IS ALL ABOUT ENGINEERING. SO, IN JANUARY I WENT DOWN TO GLASGOW.**

**THIS IS A SMALL PART OF MY APPLICATION:**

**"NOW A DAYS THEN THERE IS A LOT MORE ENGINEERING JOBS BECAUSE THE SOCIETY IS BECOMING MORE ADVANCED. WITH ENGINEERING THEN YOU COULD DO WHATEVER KIND YOU WANT BECAUSE NO JOB IS THE SAME EVERY DAY IT MAY BE A SIMILAR BUT NOT THE SAME SO IT'S NOT THE SAME THING EVERY DAY. SO, YOU DON'T GET BORED OF DOING IT. SO, THERE IS LOTS TO LEARN ABOUT**

**I REALLY ENJOY MATHS AND PROBLEM SOLVING AND LOOKING FORWARD TO GETTING TO DO PHYSICS AND CHEMISTRY NEXT YEAR IN S3. ONCE OUR SCHOOL WENT TO A CRANE BUILDING COMPACTION. ME AND MY TEAM WON THE COMPACTION. SO, WE MANAGED TO**

**BRING BACK SOME MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOL TO SPEND ON SCIENCE THINGS. I ALSO LIKE TO BAKE CAKES FOR MY FAMILY AND FRIEND'S SPECIAL OCCASION"**

**"THE FACULTY OF ENGINEERING, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE WEIR GROUP, ARE DELIGHTED TO OFFER THE YOUNG WEIR-WISE: DISCOVERING ENGINEERING WITH S2 GIRLS PROGRAMME WHICH IS DESIGNED TO INSPIRE YOUNG FEMALE STUDENTS TO DISCOVER THE EXCITEMENT AND PERSONAL SATISFACTION BEHIND A CAREER IN ENGINEERING.**

**WE ARE DELIGHTED TO BE OFFERING THE YOUNG WEIR-WISE PROGRAMME FOR FEMALE SCHOOL PUPILS IN S2 IN PERSON AGAIN AFTER TWO YEARS HOSTING THE PROGRAMME VIRTUALLY. THE PROGRAMME HAS BEEN EXPANDED FOR 2023, GIVING 150 GIRLS THE OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE PART. THE PROGRAMME TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 23 – TUESDAY 24 JANUARY 2023 AND THURSDAY 26 AND FRIDAY 27 JANUARY 2023. 75 GIRLS WERE INVITED TO ATTEND FROM 23–24 JANUARY 2023 AND A SECOND GROUP OF 75 GIRLS WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND FROM 26–27 JANUARY 2023."**

**THIS IS SOME OF THE INFORMATION THAT IS ON THEIR WEBSITE.**

**LISA THOMSON**

**S2**



## S3 BRIDGE BUILDING COMPETITION



**BRANDON KENNEDY,  
MAC FRASER, LEE  
HENRY & LENA  
LESLIE (ALL S3)**

**A BRIDGE BUILDING COMPETITION WAS HELD ON THE 21ST OF MARCH. ME, LENA, MAC AND LEE WERE CHOSEN AS WE ARE IN GRAPH COMM AND WOODWORK. THE COMPETITION WAS HELD AT THE UHI COLLEGE IN LERWICK. AT THE COMPETITION, THERE WERE THREE AWARDS TO WIN AN AWARD FOR THE STRONGEST BRIDGE, AN AWARD FOR THE BEST DESIGN AND AN AWARD FOR TEAMWORK. WE WON THE AWARD FOR BEST DESIGN AND CAME TOP THREE IN THE STRONGEST BRIDGE AWARD. EVEN THOUGH WE ARRIVED, THIRTY MINUTES LATER THAN EVERY OTHER TEAM WE WERE STILL DETERMINED TO WIN AN AWARD. WE WORKED TOGETHER TO COME UP WITH THE BEST DESIGN FOR OUR BRIDGE WHICH WOULD LEAD US TO WINNING THE DESIGN AWARD. WE ARE GRATEFUL 2FOR THE SCHOOL AND COLLEGE FOR LETTING US HAVE THIS EXPERIENCE.**

**BY BRANDON KENNEDY**



# SECONDARY MUSIC FESTIVAL 2023



**MONICA DICKIE (S3)**



**EMER SMITH (S3)**



**TEAGAN JOHNSON  
& LORI-ANN  
THOMSON (S4)**



**LENA LESLIE,  
MONICA DICKIE,  
JODIE SANDERS &  
LOLA HANSEN  
(ALL S3)**



**CULLIVOE UP  
HELLY AA  
2023**



**RUBY LAWSON (S4),  
STEVEN BROWN  
(JARL 2023) &  
HANSEN TULLOCH  
(P7)**



**ALEXANDER  
CUNNINGHAM  
(P5)**



**MOLLIE STRACHAN  
(P2)**



**HONEY  
HENDERSON &  
HUNTER COUTTS  
(S2)**



**DEAR PARENTS, CARERS**

**I WANTED TO UPDATE YOU ON SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES I'VE BEEN INVOLVED WITH THROUGH THE ACADEMIC YEAR AND TO REMIND YOU OF OUR SERVICES AVAILABLE TO PUPILS IN THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR AND POST SCHOOL.**

**WE ALL WANT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE EFFECTIVE LIFELONG CAREER PLANNERS WHO CAN MAKE INFORMED AND CONFIDENT DECISIONS ABOUT THEIR FUTURE AND HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH PUPILS ACROSS VARIOUS YEAR GROUPS – THROUGH GROUP WORK SESSIONS AND ONE-TO-ONE APPOINTMENTS, AND THROUGH ATTENDANCE AT EVENTS CO-ORDINATED BY PARTNERS IN THE DEVELOPING YOUNG WORKFORCE TEAM.**

**HERE AT SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND (SDS) WE SUPPORT PUPILS, PARENTS/CARERS AND TEACHERS WITH A COMPREHENSIVE RANGE OF CAREER INFORMATION ADVICE AND GUIDANCE (CIAG) SERVICES. FIND OUT MORE BY VISITING OUR WEBSITE: [HTTPS://WWW.SKILLSDEVELOPMENTSCOTLAND.CO.UK/WHAT-WE-DO/SCOTLANDS-CAREERS-SERVICES/](https://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk/what-we-do/scotlands-careers-services/)**

**FOR THE NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR:**

**I AM REALLY GLAD TO BE CONTINUING AS CAREERS ADVISER FOR MID YELL JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL AND WILL BE WORKING WITH THE SCHOOL TO CO-ORDINATE GROUP SESSIONS WITH ALL YEAR GROUPS, INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENTS, ATTENDANCE AT PARENTS NIGHTS AND EVENTS AND CAN ALSO MEET WITH PARENTS AND CARERS TOO.**

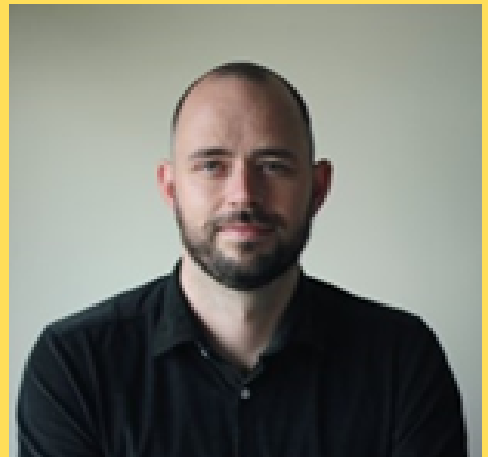
**FOR PUPILS MOVING ONTO THE ANDERSON HIGH SCHOOL FOR SECONDARY 5, I WILL BE THE ASSIGNED S5 CAREERS ADVISER BASED IN ANDERSON HIGH SCHOOL TOO, SO WOULD WELCOME MEETING WITH ANY PUPILS WHO ARE TRANSITIONING ONTO S5. I WILL BE BASED IN OUR CAREERS ROOM ON THE GROUND FLOOR ACROSS FROM THE PUPIL SUPPORT OFFICE – AND PUPILS ARE WELCOME TO MAKE APPOINTMENTS BY COMING ALONG TO ROOM 0.51, SPEAKING TO OFFICE STAFF OR THROUGH PUPIL SUPPORT. WE WILL ALSO MAKE PUPILS AWARE OF WEEKLY CAREERS DROP INS.**

**FOR THOSE LEAVING SCHOOL:**

**SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND CAN SUPPORT PUPILS WITH OPTIONS BEYOND SCHOOL AND CAN SUPPORT WITH EXPLORING OPTIONS, MAKING DECISIONS AND OFFER PRACTICAL EMPLOYABILITY SUPPORT. WE HAVE A POST SCHOOL SERVICE FOR THOSE WHO CHOOSE TO LEAVE SCHOOL AND ARE LOOKING AT OTHER OPTIONS – FURTHER DETAILS CAN BE FOUND ON THE LINK: [HTTPS://WWW.SKILLSDEVELOPMENTSCOTLAND.CO.UK/WHAT-WE-DO/SCOTLANDS-CAREERS-SERVICES/OUR-CENTRES/](https://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk/what-we-do/scotlands-careers-services/our-centres/)**

**ANYONE CAN ACCESS OUR SERVICES BY GETTING IN TOUCH:  
SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND, LERWICK OFFICE: 01595 695791  
EMAIL: [LERWICK@SDS.CO.UK](mailto:LERWICK@SDS.CO.UK)**

**THANKS,  
SCOTT SUMMERS, CAREERS ADVISER**



# PRIMARY CERAMICS WORKSHOP

LOWER AND UPPER PRIMARY HAD A VISIT FROM CERAMIC ARTIST SHARON MCGEADY FROM NORTH ROE POTTERY. THE CHILDREN LEARNED HOW TO APPLY DIFFERENT TEXTURES AND CUT OUTS USING SLIP AND TOOLS TO DECORATE A TILE.



SHARON MCGEADY WORKING WITH THE LOWER PRIMARY



ANGUS WOOD & EILIDH HENRY (BOTH P3)



MARAH MANN, HANSEN TULLOCH & RILEY STRACHAN (ALL P7)



MARIANNE WILLIAMSON (P5) & AVA NICOL (P7)



# DUKE OF EDINBURGH

AFTER A LONG DELAY, WE HAVE STARTED OUR EXPEDITION TRAINING FOR OUR NEW DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD BRONZE PARTICIPANTS. WE PICKED THE BEST DAY OF THE YEAR SO FAR TO STEP OUTSIDE AND TRY PITCHING OUR TWO SCHOOL TENTS. OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS THEY ARE GOING TO LEARN HOW TO USE A TRANGIA STOVE SAFELY, HOW TO PICK THE BEST PLACE TO PITCH A TENT, SOME BASIC FIRST AID, MAP READING SKILLS, NAVIGATION SKILLS AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES. THEY ARE DUE TO SET OUT WITH CLASSMATES FROM UNST FOR A PRACTICE EXPEDITION, WHICH WILL MEAN WALKING 24KM OVER TWO DAYS AND CAMPING OVERNIGHT, CARRYING ALL THEIR OWN KIT.

THEY WILL FOLLOW THIS IN THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS BY COMPLETING AN EXPEDITION WHERE THEY ARE COMPLETING AN EXPEDITION WITH THEIR TEAM AND WITH LESS DIRECT SUPPORT FROM US DOFE LEADERS. THANKS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WHO ARE SUPPORTING THESE YOUNG PEOPLE WITH THEIR SKILLS; PHYSICAL AND VOLUNTEERING SECTIONS OF THE AWARD – OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO GAIN THESE VITAL QUALIFICATIONS WITHOUT YOUR KINDNESS AND TIME COMMITMENT.



**PRIMARY & SECONDARY PUPILS TESTING OUT THE TENT!**



**SETTING UP THE TENT**

# BURNS SUPPER

**ADDRESS TO A HAGGIS**



**HAGGIS, NEEPS AND TOTTIES!**

