ARD SGOIL A'PHLUIC/PLOCKTON HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER—Week ending 3rd March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We were delighted to hold the re-scheduled Junior and Senior Socials earlier this month. These events were very well organised by our senior pupils led by the Prefect Leadership Team. Many thanks to both current and former Music School students for providing the music on both evenings. Our current Music School students kept everyone on their feet and dancing at the Junior Social and we welcomed back some former Music School students in the form of the Ragin' Ceilidh Band who kept the dancers very busy - including learning some new dances - at the Senior Social. We were grateful that there was no snow this time but we kept the winter theme for the hall decorations, including giant snowflakes made by S1 and S6 pupils during their December Buddy activity. Refreshments were served by our dedicated canteen staff and we were very fortunate to have the Lochalsh Photography Group taking photographs as mementos of the evening. Details about ordering copies of photographs have already been shared and the proceeds go to worthwhile causes.

We welcomed parents and carers of pupils in S4, S5 & S6 in to school for discussions about progress earlier this month and these pupils are now working to complete courses and preparing for SQA examinations. One of the reasons for having prelims in January is so that learners can see the areas they need to work on before the final exams in May. That makes this time of year very important and we encourage pupils to have a study schedule in place now which includes sufficient time spent revising for each subject. It can be tempting to focus on revising areas which are already going well so it is important that pupils keep going out of their 'comfort zones' by spending time on areas they are finding difficult.

The re-scheduled S3-S5 Options Information evening for parents and carers is took place this Thursday the 2nd of March at 6pm here in the school. Pupils will have assemblies about the options process and interviews with Pupil Support colleagues to support their decision-making.

I hope you have a good weekend.

Le dùrachdan

Jo Scott-Moncrieff

Athletics

Kiera Whittingham recently represented Plockton High School in the Scottish Schools Indoor Championships in Glasgow. This was an exceptionally competitive meet with high standards for entry qualifications; Kiera specialises in the 200m and performed well in her heats and semi-finals, narrowly missing out on a place in the final. As a member of Inverness Harriers, she continues to train hard each week and will hopefully look forward to representing the school again at the outdoor championships in the coming season.

Cross Country

The North of Scotland Schools cross country championships were recently held at Gordonstoun School with races for pupils from across Highland and Moray.

Plockton High School were represented by Kiera Whittingham, Nicole Ireland, Poppy Glasgow, Jo Clark, Kieran Martin, Lola Boswell, Molly Pearce, Charlie MacLaren-Lee and Owen MacKenzie.

All pupils conducted themselves well and with enthusiasm in some highly competitive races against club runners and there were some outstanding results. Poppy placed 10th in a large field of U15 girls and Kiera placed 12th for O15 girls; there were also top 30 placings for Molly and Kieran. Well done to all pupils involved!



It has been confirmed that there will be an additional public holiday on Monday 8th May 2022 for the King's coronation.

100 CLUB PRIZE DRAW

1st Prize: Laura Healy
2nd Prize: Campbell Murray
3rd Prize: Lynn McLaughlin

WORLD BOOK DAY





By Amy Conway, S5



By Nicole Ireland, S5



By Rhys Moroney, S2

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