ARD SGOIL A'PHLUIC/PLOCKTON HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER—Week ending Thursday 22nd December

Dear Parents and Carers,

The last newsletter of the term brings with it many thanks to you all for supporting our Christmas Fayre fundraising earlier this month. A record amount was raised and it was so good to have the school filled with people meeting up again at the event after its absence for the past two years. Your support is very much appreciated whether you baked; donated items; bought raffle tickets; came along to stalls on the day or supported in other ways.

I had hoped to bring you news of the Christmas Socials in this final newsletter of the term but the weather last week put paid to that. I know the postponement has been disappointing for everyone who was looking forward to attending and we will be re-scheduling these for the new term. The new dates will be advised once arrangements have been confirmed.

Three snow days (or perhaps that should be ice days) in a row is the most we have had in some years. The Highland Council adverse weather line is updated first regarding school closures so that is the place to check. The school closures section on the Highland Council website is also updated but that can take longer if there are a lot of schools phoning in to report closures - as there were last week. An update is also posted on the Plockton High School facebook page and there may also be updates on the social media of our bus contractors. Depending on when the closure is decided, there may also be text messages to parents and carers.

Pupils in S3 received full reports with written comments on Tuesday this week and tracking reports were issued for S2 pupils on Wednesday. Tracking reports include the level pupils are working at in their subjects and provide a one-word update on effort, behaviour and homework. Further discussions about progress can then take place at the S2 Parents' Evening which is on Tuesday the 17th of January. Any reports which were uncollected this week due to pupil absence will be posted home.

As the term comes to an end, we are very sorry to be saying goodbye to Mr Andrew Munro, our Music teacher, who is leaving the school this week. We thank him for all the work he has done over the past eleven years to encourage a love of music and support pupils to achieve qualifications in music. We wish him well for the future and those good wishes come from all of his pupils and colleagues, past and present.

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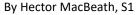
Looking ahead to the new year, pupils in S4, S5 and S6 begin their prelims very soon after we return to school. Teachers have been busy making sure that pupils know what to revise and where to find relevant revision materials. As term comes to an end, pupils should make sure that they are clear about what they need to focus on in their revision and that they have a plan in place to cover the necessary work and have a good break over the holiday period as well.

I wish you all a happy and healthy festive season.

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Jo Scott-Moncrieff







By Freya McCowan, S2

ADVERSE WEATHER INFORMATION

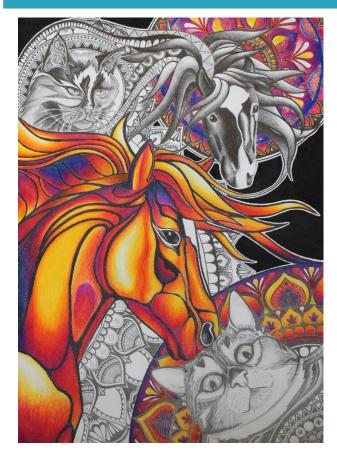
There is a direct-dial message service which may be used to gather specific travel details in event of adverse weather/other emergency situation.

Dial 08005642272. Enter the Plockton High Pin Number 041190 when asked. General information about school closures in Highland can be accessed at: www.winter.highlandschools.org.uk.

100 CLUB PRIZE DRAW

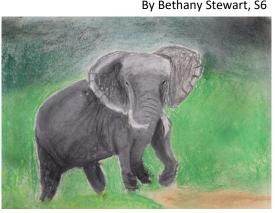
December Bonus prize: Teeny Talbot 1st Prize: Luisa Cecchini Fraser 2nd Prize: Susie Macdonald

3rd Prize: Joan Murray



By Bethany Stewart, S6

By Owen MacKenzie,



By Isy Maclean, S6



Best Gingerbread House—by Tegan Bruce, S3

Staff Favourite & Technical Excellence - Seona MacLean

Technical Excellence— Highly Commended—Scarlett
MacCall









