

## Senior Phase Information Session

Mrs Gibson ran our first parental information session focusing on study skills at the start of January - we had a good turnout and look forward to seeing you all at future events! The information shared has been uploaded to our website for you to refer to or in case you missed it.

## Prelim Assessments

Congratulations to all the S4-6 pupils who took part in their prelim assessments during January. This is a stressful time for our young people but provides them with a great opportunity to practise sitting assessments before the final exam diet in May.

## Extra-Curricular Activities

We have a wide range of activities for pupils to take part in before, during and after school as part of our extensive extra-curricular programme. These range from individual & team sports, fitness clubs, chess, computing, arts & crafts, and music. Please visit the school's website for a full rundown of what pupils can get involved in.

## Raven

The Raven team with the special edition of issue 2 - featuring our own Mr Macintosh!



## Eco Group

iRoyaleco removed 7 bags of litter and a burst yoga ball from Kilwinning Road. Some new litter pickers joined us and felt very proud of their work - making the school and community look much better and making a huge difference to the environment.



Mr Couper's Wellbeing class, as part of their Friday Wellbeing, litter picked around the back of the school. They managed to collect four full bags of rubbish from the playground. Although some pupils were a little apprehensive before they started, once they got going there was no stopping them. It is everyone's responsibility to try and protect our school and local community. Use the bins around the school or keep your litter and place it in a bin at home.

### Upcoming Key Dates:

2-5<sup>th</sup> Feb – Scotland Loves Languages Week

10<sup>th</sup> Feb – History Trip (Stirling)

11-14<sup>th</sup> Feb – February Long Weekend Holiday

15<sup>th</sup> Feb – Inservice day

21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> Feb – S1/2 HPV/MMR Vaccines

22<sup>nd</sup> Feb – Senior Phase Reports Issued

25<sup>th</sup> Feb – Purple Friday (£1 to wear purple/rainbow)

28<sup>th</sup> Feb – Royal Recognitions

## Robert Burns Day

Simon Lamb worked with the S1 pupils in the build up to Burns day. The students were enthralled as Simon brought the works of Robert Burns to life.

**Simon** is a writer and performer who enjoys delighting and igniting his audience with his distinctive voice and infectious energy. As part of the S1 Storie Stories project, Mrs Andrews' pupils were asked to come up with their own interpretations of Mrs Wastle - and here's some of fine work they produced.



Mr. Quinn's class produced these modern takes on Burns' 'To a haggis'. They demonstrated their understanding of theme, syllables, and phonemes.

Mrs Pryce and two members of the Senior Pupil Leadership team (Ellis Walker & Laura McVey) took part in the Robert Burns Club Memorial on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> January laying this lovely wreath at the Burns Statue on Irvine Moor.



## Fundraising Update

Xmas jumper/PJ day organised by Charity Committee and Pupil Leadership team raised £170.25 for Glasgow Children's Hospital.

Charity Committee staff raffle in aid of Alzheimers Scotland raised £47.00.

Festive Coffee Morning hosted by Barista, organised by Barista, organised by Barista and Miss McNeil raised £48.13 for North Ayrshire Foodbank.

Royal Resources would like to thank Susan Robertson from Robertson Barbers on High Street, Irvine, as she has kindly donated prom dresses and hair dressing products to help the 6th years look their best on prom night.

## Holocaust Memorial Day

Pupils were encouraged to take part in Holocaust memorial Day on 27<sup>th</sup> January by Lighting the Darkness at 8pm. The Holocaust stands apart as a dark hour of history. We must keep the memory alive and educate future generations on the pain, suffering, and further implications the Holocaust had. 'Those who do not learn history are doomed to repeat it' ~ George Santayana



## Library

Mrs McPhee is hoping to start a book group on Thursdays at lunchtime. Kayla, Brea, and Kayla are in, are you? If interested pop into the library and speak to Mrs McPhee



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