

## Weakly Ieads Up!

Thursday 28th March 2024
Today is the last day of term. I would like to take the opportunity to thank our teachers and support staff for all of their hard work over the course of the term, and to congratulate students on their hard work as well.

## Staffing

Yesterday, Mr Harry Meadows was appointed to a new middle leadership position that focuses on teacher professional development. Mr Meadows will work closely with Mr Huffman, who is in a similar role.

## Tesco fundraising

From the beginning of April, the public can vote for a Berwickshire High School's Parent Council fundraising project as part of the Tesco Stronger Starts initiative. The focus is on raising money to support the enrichment of our extracurricular programme.

## Dates for your diary

- Staff and students resume on Monday 15th April.
- Our S6 Graduation takes place on Friday 19th April, at Marchmont House.
- Study Leave begins on Monday 22nd April.


## S4-6 study

Senior students with SQA exams after the holiday understand the importance of making the most of the Easter break to study. A reminder that e-Sgoil online Easter Study Support sessions are available from 2nd - 11th April. Full details here.

Some Berwickshire High School teachers will also be offering in-school revision sessions during the Easter break. Further details can be found in this Heads Up.

I hope everyone has a good holiday.
Best wishes,
Mr B. Robertson, Rector

March Students of the Month
Congratulations to our 'Students of the Month' for March.
You can view the recipients on our school website.
Students have been emailed individually.

## Young Enterprise Scotland Regional Finals

Last Thursday night, 2 teams from Berwickshire High School competed against Earlston High School students in the Young Enterprise Finals. The first team were Inksplash who created Christmas Cards of local scenes enhanced with Al technology to give them a Christmas look and feel. The second team were Books N' Brews who created a 'blind date with a book'.
The teams represented Berwickshire High School in a mature manner and showed off how hard they had worked through taking part in an interview and a presentation in front of a panel of judges. The event was a great success with judges commenting on how well both teams had created and developed their businesses. The night concluded with the prize giving, with Books N' Brews taking the majority of the awards. They won $6 / 9$ awards which included:

- Best Business Report - Best Interview
- Most innovative Company
- Best Digital Presence
- Most Sustainable Company
- Company of the Year (Borders)


Winning the 'Company of the Year' award means they won the overall Borders competition. Books N' Brews now go to the Scottish Young Enterprise finals at Hampden at the end of May to compete against teams from across Scotland.
Thank you to the business mentors Sarah Mathieson and Katrina Reynolds who guided the teams through the many challenges of the company programme. Also, a massive well done to both teams who throughout the year have shown great entrepreneurship! Miss Brotherston


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## Puzzle of the Month

Congratulations to Brooke Richardson (1S1) and Hayden Hadley (2D2) who were the winners of our $£ 10$ Amazon vouchers for the March Puzzle of the Month and some Easter chocolate treats. The correct answer was 394. Thanks again to Greaves, West \& Ayre for their continued support.
Mrs Kenneally, Principal Teacher of Numeracy


Tesco Stronger Starts Grant
The Parent Council bid for a Tesco Stronger Start Grant has been successful and will be put forward to a customer vote in the Berwick store from the first week in April until the end of June 2024.
If successful, the money would be used to offer an enrichment programme within the school, including, but not limited to extracurricular trips.

To find out more about Tesco Stronger Starts Grants, follow this link. Thank you!!

## Beekeeping

Our beekeeping students had a fantastic time at the Royal Scottish Society of Arts talk on Monday night, Inside the Brain of a Bee, presented by Professor Barbara Webb from Edinburgh University.
The talk discussed Bee memory, their methods of communication and even touched on the potential of Biorobotics and the role bees play in the development of this new technology.
Thanks to Beverly and Peter from the RSSA who warmly welcomed us to their event.

Mrs Addie


## Easter Study Support

As the Rector mentioned in his introduction, some of our teachers will be offering in-school revision sessions during the Easter break. Details are as follows:

| Date | Subject | Level | Time | Teacher |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Monday 1st April | History | Higher | 9am - 4pm | Mr Stutt |
| Tuesday 2nd April | Modern Studies | National 5 | 9am - 12pm | Dr Koita |
|  |  | Higher | 1pm - 4pm |  |
| Thursday 4th April | Art | All levels | 9am - 5pm | Miss Manson |
| Monday 8th April | Computing | All levels | 10am-3pm | Mrs Darling |
| Thursday 11th April | Art | All levels | 9am - 5pm | Miss Manson |
|  | Computing | All levels | 10am - 3pm | Mrs Darling |
| Friday 12th April | Art | All levels | 9am - 5pm | Miss Manson |



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## PE Department Activity Champions <br> February - March 2024

Well done to the students listed below who have been awarded PE Activity Champions for their last activity block. Each student has received 5 house points.

| Year Group \& Activity |  | Activity Champions |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| S1 Fitness | Monday 1\&2 | Noah Higginbottom <br> Brooke Richardson |
|  | Thursday 6\&7 | Bonnie Hogg <br> Sam Leather |
|  | Monday 1\&2 | Maddie Kitchen <br> Lily-Rose Joyce |
|  | Thursday 6\&7 | Brooke Longstaff <br> Kaja Tomczak |
| S2 Fitness | Tuesday 3\&4 | Louis Henry <br> Travis Craig |
|  | Friday 4\&5 | Kaysha Bacon <br> Brodie Kiltie |
|  | Tuesday 3\&4 | Prudence Jimenez <br> Ruaridh Benson |
|  | Friday 4\&5 | Derek Voloscuks <br> Lola Reid |
| S3 Volleyball | Monday 6\&7 | Willow Abbott <br> Finlay Blair |
|  | Wednesday 6\&7 | Andrew Brydon |
|  | Monday 6\&7 | Daniel Glynn <br> Amy-Lee Porter |
|  | Wednesday 6\&7 | Rhea Simpson <br> William Bayles |

## Home Economics Practical Lessons - Week beginning 15th April

This is what students will be making next week. Please could we ask your help in ensuring your child has the correct equipment. Thank you, Mrs Taylor

| Year | Making | Equipment Required |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 1P1, 1P4 \& 1P5 - Chocolate Nests | Tub/container |
|  | All other classes - theory lesson | No tub |
| S2 | 2P1, 2P2 \& 2P5 - Chocolate Nests | Tub/container |
|  | All other classes - theory lesson | No tub |
| S3 | 3(H) - theory lesson | No tub |
|  | 3(I) - demonstration Lemon Meringue Roulade | Tub/container |
| S4-5 | Not cooking - revision | No tub |


| Heads Down - Upcoming Student Assessments (April) |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Subject | Level | Teacher | Assessment | Date |
| Computing | Higher | Mrs Darling | Checkpoint 2 - SDD and CS | Monday 15th |
| Maths | N5 | Mrs Marchand | Applications Unit | Wednesday 17th |
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| Maths | N5 | Mrs Marchand | Expressions \& Formulae Unit | Thursday 18th |

## House News

## Geography Quiz Results

Many thanks to Miss Ralston for organising and hosting two fantastic Kahoot quizzes. Students displayed good teamwork, impressive geography knowledge and were SERIOUSLY competitive. The results were:

| Senior Lunch | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Round 1 - World Flags | Scott | Home T1 | Home T2 |
| Round 2 - World Countries | Home T1 | Douglas T2 | Scott |
| Round 3 - World Landmarks | Scott | Home T2 | Douglas T3 |
| Round 4 - World Foods | Douglas T2 | Home T2 | Douglas T3 |


| Senior School Winners <br> (Score $=\mathbf{1}^{\text {st }} \mathbf{3}$ points, 2 <br>  <br>  <br> nd $\mathbf{2}$ Points, $\mathbf{3}^{\text {rd }} \mathbf{1}$ Point) $)$ <br> Winners <br> Douglas 13 Points (received an extra point for entering 3 teams) <br> 2nd <br> 3rd Scott 12 Points |  |
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| Junior Lunch | 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Round 1 - World Flags | Douglas 7 | Douglas 8 | Home 3 |
| Round 2 - World Countries | Douglas 8 | Home 3 | Douglas 2 |
| Round 3 - General Knowledge | Home 3 | Home 4 | Douglas 7 |
| Round 4 - World Foods | Home 4 | Douglas 7 | Douglas 8 |


| Junior School Winners <br> (Score $=\mathbf{1}^{\text {st }} \mathbf{3}$ points, $\mathbf{2}^{\text {nd }} \mathbf{2}$ Points, $\mathbf{3}^{\text {rd }} \mathbf{1}$ Point $)$ <br> Winners Douglas 13 Points |  |
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| 2nd | Home 11 Points |
| 3rd | Scott 0 Points |

## House Points



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CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT FRIDAY, 3RD MAY

QUIZ AND LUXURY RAFFLE WITH PRIZES FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES

TICKETS £20/TEAM (MAX. 5 PER TEAM)

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7 \text {-10PM }
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> CASH ONLY ON THE NIGHT

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Sat 11 May
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