



## Weekly Heads Up!

Friday 1st May 2026

We are now into the full swing of the summer term. Our senior students are a credit to themselves with how they are conducting their exams, summer academy and qualification catch ups. The school is a little quiet without them, so it is great to see them working away when they are in. Our invigilation team, led by Ian Yule, are full of praise for them.

In school we are busy with staffing. Huge congratulations go to Mr Cameron Murray and Mrs Louise Kennedy who have been permanently appointed to their Depute Head roles this week - after an arduous process with stiff competition from external candidates. Having worked with both this year I have full confidence that this is a strong team moving forward.

Congratulations too to Mrs Alicia Coyle, who is now our permanent PT of Maths. She is doing a sterling job in the faculty and the team are well placed to continue to deliver outstanding Maths lessons. We are really fortunate to have such a wonderful team, in a time when Maths teachers are hard to come by. Mrs Susan Dalton moves to PT STEM - she will do an incredible job working to deliver opportunities in this area to our young people. Exciting times!

S3 are busy on work experience. This is such an important part of their education. If your child is not yet sorted out with something, do get in touch.

I hope you have a lovely long weekend and we will see all our learners on Wednesday the 6th of May.

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Mrs Weston



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## TweedStart Day

On 29th April, fifteen students enjoyed a memorable and action-packed day at Watch Water, taking part in a hands-on programme of activities designed to introduce them to the world of angling and aquatic environments. Under glorious blue skies, students rotated through sessions in fly tying, fly fishing, and invertebrate study, gaining practical skills while developing a deeper understanding of water ecosystems. The day was expertly supported by experienced coaches; Norrie Tait, Jim Heaton, Dave Bell, and Ben McCallum, whose enthusiasm and guidance helped make the experience both educational and enjoyable.

The event, organised by Ben McCallum from the Tweed Foundation, was made even more special thanks to the generous support of local angling associations. Students who successfully landed a catch were awarded a free day's fishing from the Kelso and St Boswells Angling Association and Newtown and District Angling Association, while the Whiteadder Angling Association kindly provided free caps and an additional day's fishing for all participants.

The day was a great success, with students thoroughly enjoying the experience. A special thanks goes to Ben and the team of dedicated volunteers who made the event possible. As a lasting outcome, five students have been selected to progress onto a five-day intensive programme, where they will work towards achieving their Dynamic Youth Award.

Miss Grant



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for Duns**

Find out all that is going on, from plant sales to community lunches to the latest cinema releases, by [clicking here](#).

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## Enhanced Provision News

Just before the Easter Break Chestnut class completed their Wooden Boxes in Design and Technology. Everyone worked really hard, cutting material to length, marking out joints and assembling. The fun bit was the decoration.

Well Done everyone-good job!

Mrs Brown



## Steps for CHAS Fundraiser

A huge 'well done' to Tess Crilly for raising £325 for Children's Hospices Across Scotland (C.H.A.S.), who do a lot of important work with families of children with life-shortening illnesses, including our family.

Tess was also raising awareness of teen mental health and the important of physical activity.

Thank you to everyone who donated to help smash the original fundraising goal!

Mr Huffman



Children's Hospices Across Scotland

Berwickshire High School



# YOU'RE INVITED.....

## CONNECT YOUR BUSINESS TO OUR CLASSROOMS



### Date:

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June

### Time:

4:00 - 4:30pm

### Location:

Online

*This will be your opportunity to hear directly from businesses who are currently working with DYW in the Berwickshire area about -*

- The types of work they have done in schools with DYW
- How their business has benefitted
- The impact this engagement has on students

# DYW

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RSVP :

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# CAREERS INVOLVING PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

**Tuesday 28th April 2026**

*Berwickshire High School recently hosted an engaging careers fair focused on roles involving physical activity, giving pupils the chance to explore a wide range of exciting pathways. Students attended and spoke with a variety of guests, including representatives from the army and police, as well as journalists, Active Schools coordinators, and experts in disability inclusion. There were also opportunities to learn from leisure assistants, swim coaches, Olympians, strength and conditioning coaches, and staff from Live Borders. The event provided valuable insight into careers that promote health, fitness, and community wellbeing, inspiring many pupils to consider active futures.*



We would like to thank all our guests for joining us and sharing their time, energy, and enthusiasm, which made the event inspiring and memorable for everyone involved.

Thank you from  
**Miss Fellenger, Head of PE**  
**Lucy Owenson, DYW Coordinator**

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# SPORT NEWS:



All parent/carers of young people who participate in Berwickshire High School extra curricular sport clubs should be signed up to Spond. This will streamline all sport communication. EV2s will still be used.



*Spond Code: zbeop*



- Download Spond via iOS or android on parent/carers phone
- Register & make an account, add pupils name when prompted
- Siblings can be added to the same account
- PE staff will add pupils to necessary clubs
- Pupils can use parent/carers account on their own device too

**EMAIL US  
WITH ANY  
QUESTIONS**



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## Parent Council

Our next parent council meeting take place at 6pm on Wednesday 20th May, we would love for you to join us if you are able.

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## Heads Down - Upcoming Student Assessments (May)

Subject	Level	Teacher	Assessment	Date
History	S2 - 2S2	Dr Koita	Henry VIII	Wednesday 6th
Business	S3 - 3G	Mrs Hill	End of Year Assessment	Monday 11th
Business	S3 - 3F	Mrs Hill	End of Year Assessment	Tuesday 12th
History	S1 - 1S1, 1D2	Mr Meadows	Dark Ages Assessment	Wednesday 13th
Computing	S3 - 3I, 3E	Mrs Marchand & Mrs Darling	S3 Exam	Tuesday 19th

## Learning Logs - Located in OneNote - Week Commencing 4th May 2026

Subject	Course	Teacher	Learning Log Details
Computing Science	S1 - 1P3 & 1P5	Mrs Marchand	Kodu Games Programming



CONTEMPORARY  
DRAMATIC WRITING  
COMEDY MUSIC THEATRE  
01 - 09 MAY 2026  
DUNSPLAYFEST.ORG.UK

View the flipbook to learn more about the whole programme by [clicking here](#).



### Chess Mentor/Coach Wanted

We are looking for a volunteer(s) from the wider BHS Community to coach/mentor our keen players in chess basics, tactics and strategy.

If you have an interest in chess and feel that you can build a rapport with our S1-3 students to develop their chess skills, please contact Mr. Bain, the School Librarian via [gw12bainjohn2@glow.sch.uk](mailto:gw12bainjohn2@glow.sch.uk).

For the successful candidates a PVG is required and this will be supported by the school.

Mr. Bain, Librarian

## THE UN CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD - 'RIGHT OF THE WEEK'



### ARTICLE 27 (adequate standard of living)

Every child has the right to a standard of living that is good enough to meet their physical and social needs and support their development. Governments must help families who cannot afford to provide this.

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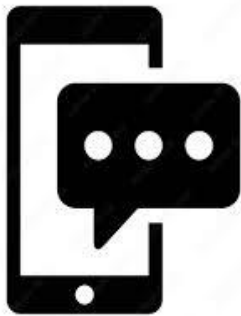
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Advice for young people  
aged 11-18 within NHS  
Borders

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Response time within 24 hours:

08.30 - 6:30 Monday to Friday

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We provide advice on health and  
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