

# **Myddelton College Newsletter**

Edition 30

# The Week Ahead: Trinity term 2021

# Timetable Week B Pride Month

Monday 21st June

All Day Year 11 Geography Fieldtrip to Afon Anafon

Year 7-10 Tennis Match vs. Ysgol Dinas Bran

08:45 – 12:30 Upper Preparatory School LTTO (Climbing offsite near Dyserth)

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

08:45 – 16:00 Year 7Y LTTO (Gorge-scrambling near Llandegla – see notice below)

13:35 – 14:10 Accelerated Reader

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June Sports Day

08:45 – 10:35 Year 8Y LTTO (on-site before Sports Day)

Thursday 24th June

08:45 – 16:00 Year 9Y LTTO (Gorge-scrambling near Dolgarrog – see notice below)

13:15 – 13:35 Lunchtime Music Concert

13:35 – 14:10 Accelerated Reader

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June

13:35 – 14:10 Feel Good Friday 19:00 Year 11 Formal

Saturday 26th June

Boarding Trip: Laser Combat, Llandegla

Boarding Activities: Origami Crafts

Sunday 27th June

Boarding Activities: Crafts and Sports Competitions, Fitness, Gym & Boxing Sessions

Please note that LTTO and Boarders' activites and locations are subject to change depending upon a range of factors including weather, learning objectives and safety

### **LTTO Notice**

#### From Mr Eastabrook

Gorge-scrambling students (7Y and 9Y) will need full LTTO equipment, including their walking boots, waterproof top and trousers AND a complete set of spare clothes (including trainers AND a bin bag for wet clothes).

We suggest that students have jogging type bottoms, fleecy trousers or warm leggings on their bottoms and, a non-cotton base layer and jumper for the top half and their Myddelton hoodie/top. We will speak to students before their gorge-scrambling lesson too.

# **Duke of Edinburgh's Award Expedition Update**

From Mr Stanyer

For those students in **Year 11** that have completed their Silver training expedition, please save this date in your diaries: **Saturday 26th - Monday 28th June**. This will be the proposed date for a Silver Qualifying expedition, more details to follow closer to the time.

We are taking the upmost care and precaution keeping safety paramount for our students throughout these COVID-adapted expeditions



whilst trying our best to give them an experience that is as true to the values award as possible. I look forward to seeing you on the hill!

# **Arts Update**

From Mrs Hughes

On the last day of term, the whole college will be participating in and watching our very own Proms in the Park of Drama and Music performances. The pupils will be performing outside in the main Quad, so please send good weather requests to the Mother Nature for us!

As we will not have the space for adequate social distancing if we were to invite parents, the whole afternoon will be recorded instead and put onto the <u>Performing Arts YouTube Channel</u>, as well as being shared via all of the College's other social media platforms.

All pupils are requested to bring a blanket or cushion to sit on whilst watching the performances on the last day of the College year.

I would also like to request the help from parents in helping with the learning of lines! Once parts, lines and sections have been assigned, all pupils will have their scripts / lyrics / movement videos in their Drama OneNote to rehearse from. Your help is very much appreciated!

# **Spanish Update**

From Miss Alos

Barcelona Trip: 18<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> April 2022: Year 10, 11 and Lower VI.

I am excited to officially launch our first Spanish trip to the city where I am from: the amazing city of Barcelona! This is an incredible opportunity to learn more about the culture, language and traditions of Spain. The trip is open to students of Spanish from Year 10, 11 and Lower VI. The maximum number is 15.

As well as visiting some of the most iconic

tourist attractions, learning about traditions and trying delicious food of the region, students will join three days of lessons in a fantastic school in Barcelona where they will be able to learn how Spanish schools operate, practise and improve Spanish and make friends.

Students who will attend Y10, Y11 and Lower VI in the following academic year 2021-2022 have been given a letter with information about this trip.

#### **Pen Pal Schools**

This Half Term, Students from Year 7 to GCSE are starting a beautiful project on the online platform Pen Pal Schools.

Pen Pal School connects over a quarter of a million students from 150 countries to learn together! Students collaborate through online projects whilst practising literacy. Students are only invited by a verified teacher, Miss Alos. Teachers and parents can follow their progress. Firstly, our Myddeltonians will learn about aspects of the Hispanic World such as daily life there, food and popular culture.

See what your child shares with peers around the world.

Enroll your child in collaborative topics.

Monitor your child's discussions.

See the lessons that your child reads.

Then, using only Spanish, pupils create their own profile and write about their own country and town, life (food, hobbies, traditions, etc.). Practising all the grammar and vocabulary studied this academic year and will consolidate all their learning thorough this fantastic project. They will also have to read opinions written in Spanish by other students from around the world and reply to at least 3 of them.

As a parent you can join your child on PenPal Schools to motivate them!

If you are interested in joining, as a parent to support and encourage your child, please contact Miss Alos.









## **Preparatory School Update**

From Miss Gresley-Jones

This week has been Refugee Week 2021. Upper Prep began the week with a workshop from the National Archives Education Service. We explored documents that revealed the experiences of Basque child refugees, displaced during the Spanish Civil War in 1937. We explored themes of identity, culture and forced displacement. We also began our new maths unit of 'Position and Direction' and worked hard on our newspaper reports in English. We are looking forward to beginning our independent newspaper articles next week.

Lower Prep have found the area of a shape in maths and written a wanted poster for Mr Toad in their English lessons. In science, they have identified the features of a flowering plant. In their topic lessons, they explored land use.

Both Lower Prep and Upper prep have enjoyed the new weekly tennis session, which will continue until the end of term. The highlight of the week though, was Thursday's music concert. I am incredibly impressed with the musical talent of our prep school! I would like to thank Mr Cadman and Mr Farquhar for inspiring a love of music all year round and for organising such a fabulous concert yesterday. The whole of the Preparatory School performed 'The Rhythm of Life' from *Sweet Charity* and we were treated to individual performances also. Charlie, Georgia, Lizzie, Marwan, Phoebe and Isaac played the piano; Rufus and Sophia played the violin; Henry, Siham and Malaaika sang; Noura played the clarinet and Alex played the guitar.



Star of the Week: **Charlie Thomas** for excellent behaviour and focus in class. He also performed excellently in the music concert.

## **Boarding Update**

From Mr Farguhar

We are saying goodbye to a few of our boarding community this week as some head home after their exam periods. In particular, Stephen, Luna, Kim, Cynthia, Anna and Ella will all be greatly missed from the boarding houses next year! Last weekend, the boarders went out for some go-karting at Apex Kart in Sandycroft, and this week we've enjoyed a movie night, as well as the usual games of football, rounders and, new for this week, Frisbee!



# **Music Update**

From Mr Cadman



Calling all musicians and singers at Myddelton! Instrumental lessons have resumed in the Trinity Term. So, dust those keys, oil those valves, tune that violin and do some practice! Timetables are up on the board **now**.

The Music Department also has a range of activities throughout the week. If you have any enquiries, please contact Mr Cadman.

Activity	Day & Time	Info
Choir	Monday @ 13.05	All year groups welcome. Come along and sing any style!
Theory Surgery	Tuesday @ 16.05	Open to all musicians and singers who want to develop their knowledge of how music works and to understand the mechanics of notation. Great preparation for composing and Grade 6 practical exams
Jazz Combo	Wednesday @ 16.05	By invite – Year 7 and above who want to enjoy exploring jazz/pop and funk music
Recording Club	Wednesday @ 16.05	All year groups welcome – if you want to develop your studio techniques and record live music, this is for you.
Drop-in Accompaniment	Thursday @ 16.05	All year groups — If you are working towards an exam/concert or just want to be heard, Mr Cadman will be able to accompany you and offer advice — <i>Drop in</i> for GCSE and A level performance prep also.
Practice Time	Monday-Thursday @16.05	Need to fit in some practice time? Please see Mr Cadman for permission to use a practice room to play.

#### **BBC Young Composer 2021**

Calling all young (12-18 years old) singer-songwriters, eclectic electric composers, genre-spanning songsmiths, and creative melody-makers...

The nationwide BBC Young Composer competition 2021 is now open!

Students may not think of themselves as composers, but if they love to create their own original music, and are bursting with creativity, originality, and potential, then we want to hear from them. So please encourage them to enter the BBC Young Composer competition 2021.

Closing date - 5pm on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

For more information, head to BBC Young Composer 2021.



## **PE & Sports Update**

From Mr Pearson

#### Myddelton College Tennis Academy 'Try Outs'

Our Tennis Programmes are now available to all students. Why not come for a taster on our try out days!

Dates for try outs can be found below:

16th June - Years 7 - 13

30th June - Prep School

7th July - Years 7 - 13

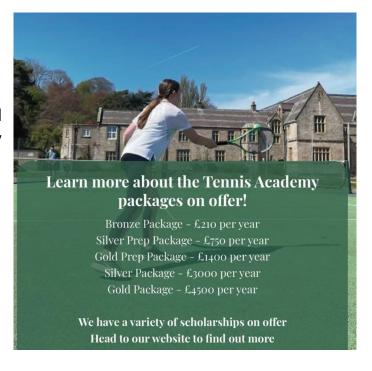
Sign up for our try out days here.

#### CCF

Monday 21st - All cadets to come into school in their cadet uniform.

#### **Football Academy**

Attached to the Bulletin this week is a brochure for the new Myddelton College Football Academy. Any students requiring more information, or who would like to sign up, should contact Mr Pearson.



## **End of Year Photographs**

There is an opportunity to purchase end of year photographs (see below) as well as a whole-school collage. From this week, Year 11 and Upper VI photos are available for £10, which can be added to the school bill. Other photos will be available over the next two weeks. If you would like to purchase, please contact <a href="Mr Pearson">Mr Pearson</a> no later than Monday for them to be ready for the End of Year 11 ball, and the following Monday for them to be ready for the Graduation Ball.





#### **Future Event Invitations**

Face-to-Face University and Apprenticeship Fair (Autumn 2021)

Both **Manchester University** and **The University of Liverpool** are now hosting face-to-face University and Apprenticeship Fairs this autumn.

These free, exciting and informative events provide attendees with the opportunity to speak to a multitude of exhibiting universities and apprenticeship providers. These will include; the Russell Group, red brick, modern institutions, as well as many of the UK's biggest apprenticeship providers and local colleges. The fair is for students in **Year 11 and VI Form**.

Leaflets for the Manchester event – the earlier of the two - will be attached alongside this week's Bulletin.

### **Pony Stars**

EXCITING NEWS Our very own Pony Stars group will start in September. Led by Rosemary Clarke a BHS Accredited Professional Coach, pupils will have the opportunity to spend time in Myddelton Equestrian Facility.



Pony Stars will cover topics such as grooming, welfare, mucking out and riding skills. It's not just about pony care and riding, the Pony Stars programme includes so much more — covering loads of really practical topics that we think any parent or guardian would value their child learning about, such as the countryside, farm animals, kindness, leadership, conservation, feed the birds, being green and healthy mind. As part of the programme, each child will receive their very own My Challenge Book to log their achievements. As they progress through the various challenges there will be stickers, badges, certificates and rosettes.

# **Friends of Myddelton**

#### Friends of Myddelton Update

Friends of Myddelton are currently offering support to the Year 11 and Upper VI Balls alongside Speech day in order to make these memorable events.

Friends of Myddelton are also looking for a treasurer to join our fun friendly team. If you are interested, please email <u>Catherine</u> Frith or text her at 07738 998690. We would love all to attend.

#### **Friends of Myddelton School Lottery**

This week's lottery winner was Mrs. Martina Davies. We currently have 35 supporters with 53 tickets being sold each week. This month's prize is: Win a year of Fruit and Veg!



#### **Friends of Myddelton Uniform Request**

If anyone has any uniform that they no longer need or wish to swap for a smaller/larger size please text Catherine on 07738 998690 as we may have your sizes available.

For those not swapping but require uniform for the September term please get in touch. There will be a small fee for this uniform and the funds will go to the College.

#### **Friends of Myddelton Amazon Smile**

Friends of Myddelton would like to encourage family and friends to sign up for Amazon Smile. It is really simple to do. To sign up, just follow the <u>link</u>. By doing this Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to Friends of Myddelton College, at no cost to you!

#### Friends of Myddelton Clothing Bank

Please remember to bring any old clothing items to our clothing bank by the sports hall. Friends of Myddelton receive a small amount of funds for the weight of the clothing which goes to the College.



### **Social Media**

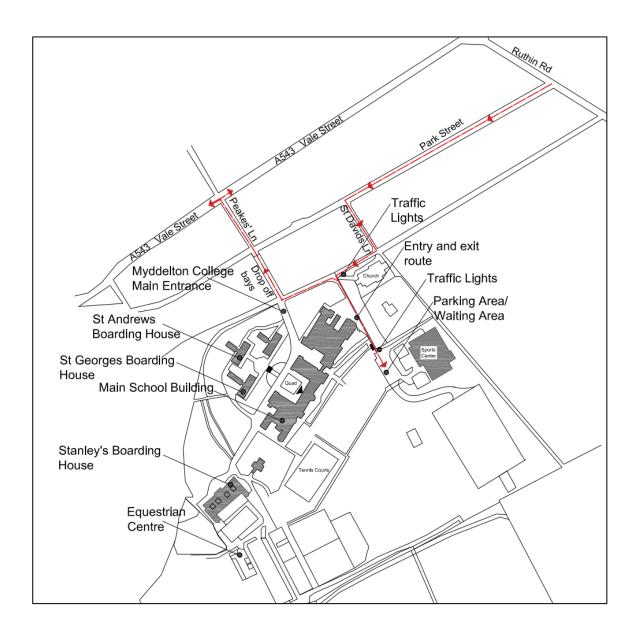
To keep up to date with everything Myddelton College related, please follow us on Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn and Twitter:











Parents are respectfully reminded that vehicular access to the College ought to be via Park Street (in accordance with the arrows indicated on the map). Please exit via Peake's Lane, turning right or left onto Vale Street as required. With very narrow local roads, the adherence to a one-way system supports good traffic flow and public safety.