

# **Myddelton College Newsletter**

Edition 22

# **Comic Relief/Red Nose Day**

Thank you so much to everyone who donated to last week's Comic Relief Event. The afternoon was a huge success raising over £400 for a great cause. Well done all!

### **HOW YOUR DONATIONS HELP**

All your donations make a difference. With your support we can help tackle important issues including homelessness, hunger, domestic abuse and mental health stigma, all of which have been impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic.

We fund amazing organisations across the UK and around the world.





Last week, all staff & students in College took part in a sponsored walk to raise money for Comic Relief.

It's not too late! Use the link to donate: Myddelton College Red Nose Day - JustGiving

### **Business Update**

Each pupil had to create, write and video a 3-minute sales pitch from their home trying to sell Miss Clarke an item from their house.

There was a winner from each year:

Glesni Reece (Year 10, St. Andrew's House)
Zakk Pierce (Year 11, St. George's House)
Aaron Leacock (Year 12, St. Andrew's House)
Ilona Delendik (Year 13, St. David's House)
(pictured, right)



# **English as an Additional Language Update**



Year 12 were treated to a presentation on China by Zhaodong Bi. He talked about his family, education and food to name a few. Students were shocked to discover that his previous school started at 6 am with an exercise class and continued to 11 pm! What's more, his primary class had over a hundred students and his teacher had to use a microphone! Aren't we lucky at Myddelton College!

## LTTO/Wellbeing Update

Monday Lower Preparatory until lunchtime as normal (onsite)

Tuesday 7M LTTO Wellbeing Day (onsite)
Wednesday 8M LTTO Wellbeing Day (onsite)

All students are to wear their normal LTTO uniform and bring their LTTO bag with their normal equipment for that day, weather and activity. They will be outside all day with a packed lunch from Chef similar to what we would normally have for packed lunch if offsite. Feel free to pack snacks (NO NUTS!) if students would like a little extra.

### **Music Update**



Calling all musicians and singers at Myddelton! Instrumental lessons will be resuming in the Trinity term, starting the first week back (Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April). So, dust those keys, oil those valves, tune that violin and do some practice! Timetables will be up on the board very soon.

Also still running is this fantastic opportunity...

#### **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 Monday 28th June 2021.



During this current time of uncertainty and with limited access to resources the BBC Young Composer competition offers young music-makers a vital opportunity to be creative without boundaries, all from their own homes.

For more information, head to <u>BBC Young Composer 2021</u> or contact <u>Mr Cadman</u>.

# **Preparatory School Explorer Day**

#### Wednesday 31st March Timetable:

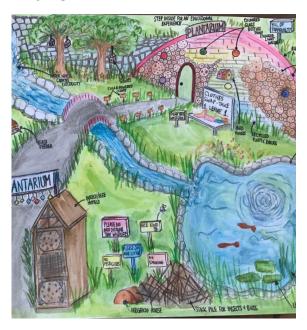
Periods 1-4: The Explorer Session - an online presentation from Antarctic explorer Al Sylvester

Periods 3-4: Upper Preparatory Film Screening of Pig Heart Boy

Period 5: Preparatory School Easter Egg Hunt

## **Science Update**

We rely on the intricate balance between animals and plants to provide us with everything we need to survive and thrive on Earth, but with animal and plant species in decline all over the world, that balance is in danger. To address this during lockdown our Y7, 8 and 9 science classes undertook the BP Educational Service Ultimate STEM Challenge to come up with a design for an amazing wild area, that includes natural and technical solutions for improving biodiversity in college grounds, at home or in the community, and helps to tackle the decline in our native wildlife.



We had some fantastic entries and the winners for each group are shown below:

Matteo lavazzo (Year 7, St. George's House)
Zoe Baddock (Year 7, St. David's House)
Eloise Brown (Year 7, St. Andrew's House)
Lily-Ava Morris (Year 8, St. David's House)
Izzy Tucker (Year 8, St. George's House)
Amelia Lloyd (Year 8, St. George's House)
Lucas Sumner (Year 9, St. David's House)
Lois Bradburn (Year 9, St. George's House)
Isobel Smith (Year 9, St. Patrick's House)

### **Spanish Update**

Our Spanish Department would like to thank you for your fantastic support in motivating your child or children to practice Spanish after lessons or during Half Term. Languages are an excellent way to improve your confidence and learn about other cultures, so continued practice is really important during college holidays in order to ensure they keep their skills up.

As you probably know, our students have access to Quizlet, Duolingo and Educaplay and already have usernames or links, which have been shared with them previously. As a family, you can all watch films, series or documentaries in Spanish but today we would also like to recommend another great activity for your children!

There is also an App or website called Lyrics Training | Spanish, where students can listen to songs and complete part of the lyrics, improving their skills in Spanish, as well as enjoying different music styles. It even has a Karaoke option so they can practice and improve their speaking skills! Please note that there is no need to create an account, you can use it free.



Miss Alos' students have also received suggestions of bands and songs to listen to from Spanish speaking countries on Teams and OneNote.

Please share with Miss Alos any comments or photos of you and your children participating in any of these activities!

If you have any questions regarding access to the website, please don't hesitate to contact <u>Miss</u> Alos.

# **Sports Update**

#### Tennis after Easter (Lower school students, 7-9)

Thursday lunch time session. Sign up here.

### **Tennis after Easter (Prep school students)**

Tuesday lunch time session. Sign up <a href="here">here</a>.

#### **Hockey**

Sport101 has been running since 2015 and delivers a performance hockey academy for talented young players during the Trinity term.

### **101ACADEMIES 2021**



The company is offering a 10-week programme which runs from April to June and is for players who are involved in the EH player Pathway ideally playing in the welsh player pathway who have the desire to be the best they can be.

You can find out more about the academies by clicking <a href="here">here</a>.

#### **Lent Term Inter-House Competition**

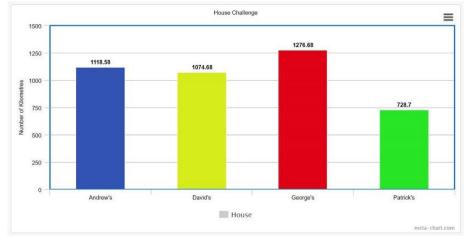
Great effort so far from all four Houses as we come to the end of week two! Big push needed from all Houses on the final week of the House challenge next week in order to reach the target of 1400km. You can do it! Keep sending your screenshots to your form tutors!

Students, along with parents, guardians and/or friends are to use their local surroundings to travel the distance of Wales' coastal path by either walking, running or cycling. The total number of kilometres you and your peers complete for your House may go beyond Wales' coastal path (1400km) but keep going, the House that travels the furthest distance (kilometres) by Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March will be the winner.

How to submit your distance travelled (walk/run/cycle):

- 1. You will need a smart phone or smart watch to track the distance travelled;
- 2. Take a screen shot / picture of your distance travelled;
- 3. Post your screen shot on to your Form Group Teams page for your form tutor to see.

Onto the final stretch now, last day on Tuesday to send your screenshots to your form tutors.



### **Parent Voice Meeting**

The next Parent Voice meeting will be held on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm. Parents are invited to email year group representatives with any items you wish to raise.

Preparatory School	Kailey Jones	kaileysassijones@gmail.com
Year 7	Julie Baddock	juliebaddock@yahoo.co.uk
Year 8	Lindsay Lloyd	lindsaymyddelton@gmail.com
	Ann Marie Tramaseur	annmarietramaseur@gmail.com
Year 9	Belinda Cain	bluebelle1973@icloud.com
Year 10	Nicola Stubbins	n.stubbins@sky.com
Year 11	Clare Stappleton	clarestapps@outlook.com

We would appreciate feedback on all areas including academic, well-being, support & pastoral care, Covid-19, uniform, communication, catering, sport and car parking. You can also email the Chair, Mary Tetley (<a href="maryt@bsac.com">maryt@bsac.com</a>) if your year group is not currently represented.

### **Friends of Myddelton**

#### **Myddelton College Uniform Request**

Friends of Myddelton would like to reach out to all parents and guardians to request any of your children's old uniform. With children not wearing their uniform at present there are probably lots of barely worn uniforms that may no longer fit! If you can hold onto these items until we are able to return, that would be greatly appreciated. We are happy to do a straight swap for clothing in a reasonable condition. All clothing sold via Friends of Myddelton will be steam cleaned, bagged and labelled to comply with COVID measures.

#### **Treasurer Required**

Friends of Myddelton are currently looking for a treasurer to join our fun, friendly team. If you are interested, please email <u>Catherine Frith | Chair</u> or text 07738998690. The next meeting will be Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April via Zoom. This meeting will be to share fundraising ideas and how we can raise money for the college and local community. All are welcome to attend.

### Social Media

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













• Please help give our fundraising a boost this term

- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Cash prize winner EVERY week
- You could even win the £25k jackpot!

WIN A **£500** BIKE VOUCHER

**Buy A Ticket** 



Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 17<sup>th</sup> Apr 2021. Terms and conditions apply (see website for details).

### **Remote Learning Guidance**

Please note our guidelines for remote learning, as outlined by the Government:

- Online communication should be conducted within normal College hours as much as possible (or agreed hours to suit the needs of the staff) and only through the primary channels of Microsoft Teams and College emails.
- Students should let their teacher know as soon as possible if they are experiencing difficulties accessing the lessons so that alternative arrangements can be made.
- If there are any access issues within an online lesson, wherever possible, students should
  continue to complete the work on OneNote and contact should be made in the first
  instance with the subject teacher (copying in their Form Tutor) to ensure all details of the
  remote lesson are relayed as soon as possible. If it is possible to complete tasks and
  activities by other means (for example, using pen and paper) this should be photographed
  and uploaded to OneNote by the student at their earliest possible opportunity.
- Students should contact their Form Tutor if there are continuing access issues as well as emailing 1010 to report any IT issues.
- Students should be sitting in a quiet space with as minimal disruption as possible.
- The great majority of lessons will be conducted via audio calls. The quality of the
  connection is improved when video is not used and there is no requirement for teachers
  or students to make or accept video calls unless it is necessary to enhance their subject
  or lessons with a visual element.
- We recommend alternative ways of engaging those students who are participating before
  or after the lesson due to different time zones. Ways to engage include: pre-recorded
  lessons, recording and sharing the audio from the live lesson, sharing clear instructions
  via email/Teams chat, etc.

Reporting of any child protection concerns should continue to follow the college's established safeguarding procedures.

#### **During Video Calls:**

• Try to have as neutral a background as possible (or use one of the background filters on Teams) and sit at a table or desk, wherever possible. Avoid working from a bedroom if at all possible but if this is not possible, try to have a neutral background. Students must never be sat on or in their bed on a video call.

Although students do not need to be in uniform, they should be wearing appropriate clothing (no pyjamas please!).