

We hope you were able to take advantage of the recent bank holiday weekend. Now we are back for full weeks for the remainder of the term and pupils in all year groups are turning their attention to upcoming examinations, internal or external. Class teachers across the school are providing support and guidance to help pupils approach these calmly and to aid planning of revision. There are lots of subject support clubs on offer and we encourage you to take full advantage of these over the coming weeks. Please also reflect on items shared weekly via the bulletin this year in the Mayfield Mindset item, which in recent weeks has been focused on revision and review activities.

Next week we are once again delighted to welcome Richard Sutton into school to work with teaching staff on curriculum. He has recently visited our History and Technology departments where we were pleased to share our exciting curriculum plans and welcomed advice and guidance offered. Next week he will be working with us in Science.

Some Key Stage Five students ran a successful journalism competition with the lower school this term. The sixth formers visited Year 7 and 8 English lessons and talked about the features of successful articles, then helped the students to come up with ideas for their own. There were lots of fantastic entries, from articles about aliens landing on the school field to more serious reports about the pandemic. Both the older students and the English teachers were impressed with the standard of writing across both year groups. The overall winners were: Nicola (7R) in first place, Natasha (7P) in second place and Rosie (8D) in third place. There were so many great entries that we also gave prizes to ten runners up! Well done to everyone who entered, and watch this space for a short story writing competition next term...



The World Cheerleading Championships took place in Florida last month and several of our pupils were lucky enough to take part. Congratulations to Amy (Year 7), Lorica (Year 8), Lucy (Year 9), Keira (Year 9) and Maisie (Year 10) who all won gold medals and are now world champions!



### Looking ahead

#### Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May

Year 9 Assembly in the Hall (Speak Out)

#### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May

Year 7 Assembly in the Hall (Speak Out)

Fair Trade Day – Reekie event, lunchtime in the Quad

#### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May

Year 8 Assembly in the Hall (Speak Out)

Year 7 Reject Racism workshops, p1-4

#### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May

Year 10 Assembly in the Hall (Speak Out)

#### Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May

Year 11 last day before Home Study

#### Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May

Year 13 last day before Home Study

#### Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May

Year 10+12 internal exams begin

#### Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Year 7-9 internal exams begin

#### Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

School Community Event, p4+5 (Queen's Platinum Jubilee)

End of Term 5

#### Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June

Term 6 begins

### Assembly theme

**This week's Assembly theme:**  
**Mental Health Awareness Week**

### Our School Environment

Please ensure all areas of school are left litter free.

**Litter duty: 10L** Please collect the litter picks and black sacks from the Premises shed and report to your Learning Leader at the end of lunchtime.

**Water:** Please use the water stations around the school at break and lunchtime and remember to bring a bottle each day to minimise use of single use plastic bottles.

## Reminders

**Speak Out:** Speak Out meets every Thursday at 1.45 in Room 7. Please see our board, our focus next term is Hate Crime. There will be Year 7 'Reject Racism' workshops running on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May.

**Readathon:** The English Department have launched the 'Read for Good' for Years 7 and 8. This is a sponsored 'Readathon' to raise money for Children in Need. This year the money will go to Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital. If students from other year groups would like to participate, sponsor forms can be found on the English noticeboard in the upper corridor.

**Chewing Gum:** Is not permitted in school. Any who discard as they arrive on site must use the bins we provide at all entrances to the school.

**Arriving at school:** Please remember that you should not arrive on site before 8am and pupils should not be dropped off on site unless a prior arrangement has been made.

**Polite request:** Please can parents and carers ensure that the driveways of local residents are not blocked during drop off and pick up times. We understand the area around the school site can be busy, please consider parking a little further away and encouraging your daughter to walk.

## 16 x 16 update

### 16 by 16 books now available to borrow



Students can now borrow books on our 16 by 16 list via the English department. Come to the English office off room 20 and see Mrs Smith to get your brand-new copy. The first readers of each title will get their name put in the book!

## House Merits (at 6-5-22)

	Merit	Community	Sport
Atholl	123	130	88
Chadwick	90	134	97
Darnley	147	90	97
Lynton	91	147	156
Penfold	115	109	140
Reekie	125	148	100
Westbrook	94	162	99

## Senior Officials: Room 11 Lunch Duty Rota

Monday	1.25 - 1.50pm	Rhiannon Powell
	1.50 - 2.20pm	Ria Daniels
Tuesday	1.25 - 1.50pm	Savera Ahmed
	1.50 - 2.20pm	Kaytan Padda
Wednesday	1.25 - 1.50pm	Ella Barnes
	1.50 - 2.20pm	Emily Hussey
Thursday	1.25 - 1.50pm	Emma Cook
	1.50 - 2.20pm	Grace Lindfield

- Duties will continue until Year 11 go on Home Study
- Officials to ensure room is kept silent
- Officials to take a register of every session and pass on to Mrs Murfet when they are finished.
- Any problems or issues whilst running the study group, please see JMT, LA or JCP.

## Reekie House

Reekie House was named for Stella Jane Reekie (1922-1982) who was a pupil at Gravesend County School for Girls (now MGSG) from the age of 8-17. She trained as a Nursery Nurse and worked in London during the war. In 1945 she volunteered for the Red Cross and was sent to Bergen Belsen Concentration camp, where she helped to sort the living from the dead. She was then appointed as Child Welfare Officer for the Polish school for orphaned children until it closed. She went on to work as a missionary in Pakistan and in 1972 returned home to set up the International Flat in Glasgow for the Home Board of the Church of Scotland. The school song "God be in my Head" was sung at her funeral.

