

## Weekly Update – 9<sup>th</sup> November

### Porty Remembers

On Thursday evening, we held an event to commemorate the centenary of the end of the First World War. During the event, saw a moving commemoration delivered by pupils, staff and the wider school community. Through the performances and presentations, the impact of the War on people and communities was brought to life. Links were drawn specifically to highlight the impact on the Portobello and Edinburgh areas. The event continues the school's tradition of remembering the contribution made by so many people and congratulations to, the contributing pupils, Miss Wells, Ms Beynon Dr Weaver and Mr Barker for their contributions.

### Staff Update

We are pleased to welcome two new members of staff to our School Support Assistant team. We are joined by Jay Scott and Julia James Griffiths and look forward to their contribution to keeping the school running smoothly.

### Pupil Achievements

Eddie Gladstone-Wallace (S3) competed in three competitions at the Irish Open Diving Championships in Dublin last weekend, 1m springboard, 3m springboard and platform events. To quote the coach he “dominated the competition” and came home with three golds and three PBs! In the platform event he won by 28 points - almost a full dive ahead. Well done Eddie!

Erin Crawford and Ellie Henderson both attended the Inter Regional Competition in Bangor, Ireland representing Scottish Saltires U18s and U16s

**Talented Writers** Talented writers, Zoe Zayachkivsky and Martha Kibby, both S2, have been selected as finalists in this year's Green Pencil Award. This creative writing competition had the theme 'Young People in the Scottish Environment' and the girls wrote beautiful stories, rich with imagery, about their trip to Inchcolm Island. The Award Ceremony is on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

### S3 HFT & Hospitality

Pictures below of the delicious cupcakes and biscuits our S3 HFT & S3 Hospitality classes have been making.





### **Football**

U13s- Portobello High School 0-3 Firrhill High School.

U15s- Portobello High School 1- 5 Lasswade High School

Congratulations to Robert Hunter, Brodie Watt and Ben Bookbinder who played for Edinburgh Schools U15 select squad on Tuesday. The team won 4-1 against with Robert Hunter coming off the bench to score 2 goals, well done boys!

Congratulations to Josh Doig who played very well for the Lothian Senior select squad against Dundee. Unfortunately, they were not able to get a win but a good game of football nonetheless.

### **Rugby**

The U18s unfortunately could not manage to get the win against Musselburgh Grammar School. The team put up a strong fight but it was just not enough to get a win.

The U14s managed to get a win against Musselburgh Grammar school. Some great play from both teams in an exciting match!

### **Achievements**

If there are any other further achievements that the School is unaware of please contact us with information at [admin@portobello.edin.sch.uk](mailto:admin@portobello.edin.sch.uk).

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