

Weekly Update – 22nd March

Last day for S6: Friday 5 April 2019

It may be hard to believe but our last day for S6 is fast approaching and we will be saying our fond farewells to the year group on the morning of Friday 5 April. It has been such a pleasure working with our S6 group this year and we want to mark the milestone of their last day in a spirit of celebration, while bearing in mind that learners in other year groups will be continuing in classes. A letter regarding this has been emailed to all S6 parents.

Positive Portobello

Our Positive Relationships approach, rolled out at the start of this school session, has been the subject of much interest from other schools. This week, it featured in the General Teaching for Scotland's Teaching Scotland magazine. It's great to see the efforts of our whole school community being recognised in this way!

Staff Update

We have said good bye to the following colleagues who are moving on to pastures new:

- Mr Andy McLaughlin, Teacher of History and Modern Studies and Brunstane Staff House Captain is off to Tynecastle HS as Acting Curriculum Leader
- Mrs Sarah Moran, School Support Assistant, is moving on after many years' service in our FTT department and school support team
- Mr Steven Russell, ICT Technician, is off to explore new opportunities.
- Ms Emma Milton, Early Years Practitioner, is going on to a full time position in an Early Years setting.

We wish them all the best and thank them for their service as part of Team Party.

Creative Industries Inspiration Event

Edinburgh College are holding an event on 29th March between 1.30 and 4.00 for any of S4/5/6 pupils who are interested in learning a little more about Musical Theatre, Dance, Acting, Technical Theatre and Make Up Artistry. The link below gives access to a brochure on Make Up Artistry:

<http://portobellohighschool.org.uk/phs/school-info/pathways/>



They will be providing an information session and tour of the Granton Campus, followed by a practical workshop in the areas mentioned above.

If you are interested in attending this, please see Mr Cotter

Resonate Music

Portobello High String Orchestra performed on Monday evening in the Queens Hall as part of the Resonate Music Festival. They played outstandingly well and were a credit to the school and to the music department.



Portobello High School – Opportunities Bulletin

Apprenticeships

- **Ferrari** -light vehicle technician, parts advisers
- **Scottish Government**_Business assistant apprenticeships
- **BT Internet**-Power planning engineer
- **Geason Training**-Painting and decorating apprentice
- **Barratt Developments**– Bricklaying, Carpentry & Joinery Apprentice
- **Arnold Clark**-Light Vehicle Technician
- **Balfour Beatty**- apprentice electrician and apprentice mechanical engineer
- **Scottish Water** Customer Service Network Operator Apprentice
- **Charlie Miller**-Apprentice /trainee hairdresser
- **Arthur McKay** –Trainee Project Engineer, and electrician and plumbing apprenticeships

Websites to find apprenticeships:

<https://www.apprenticeships.scot/> <https://www.thegarantee.org/young-people/find-a-job/>

Other Opportunities:

- BAE Systems aerospace engineering taster weeks
- Police Scotland – Police Officers recruitment
- Scottish Fire and Rescue Service recruitment -recruiting over 300 people
- Clyde Marine Training: Clyde Marine Training are a Merchant Navy Training provider

Work experience opportunities:

- **Arnold Clark** 1-week work experience
- **Balfour Beatty** construction work experience
- **Armit Auto's**: Work Experience Opportunity, 4 weeks, can lead to an apprenticeship
- **Ernest young**-business academy, must be in 5th year, dates are :29th July-2nd August 2019.

Jobs:

- **Advanced flooring solutions**-Trainee flooring installer
- **Jason hall hairdressing**-Trainee hairdresser
- **Part time jobs at Ravelston Hotel**-waiting staff and kitchen porters

- **St Andrews takeaway Portobello** -waiting and counter staff
- **Standard life** recruiting customer representatives
- **Recruitment and skills centre Fort Kinnaird** advertises many part and full-time jobs here, follow them on Facebook or go on their website
- **Royal Bank of Scotland** - Various Customer Service Roles full and part time

Contact us: This bulletin contains basic information- If you would like to discuss anything within this bulletin or make a careers appointment to find out more info on them, please contact Martin, Cara or Megan -careers advisers at Portobello high school

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