

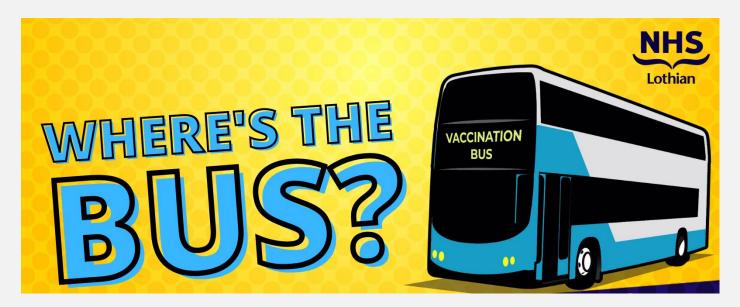
Weekly Update 8th October 2021

Improving Accessibility

You might notice our Update looks a little different this week! We are trying to improve accessibility by ensuring that our communications can be easily used by many people including those who use screen readers. Ms McConnell in our Support for Learning team has suggested we use Ariel in 12 point with 1.5 spacing with an off-white background. We would love to hear your feedback on this!

COVID-19 Vaccinations

It's important to use trusted sources of information on vaccines. Reliable sources include the local Health Board, NHS Inform, Scottish Government and Public Health Scotland. For to most up-to-date information on the COVID-19 vaccine, visit www.nhsinform.scot/covid19vaccineyoungpeople Parents, carers and young people with questions can also call the Vaccination Helpline on 0800 030 8013.



There's a great chance for 12-15 year olds to get the vaccine locally with no appointment required this weekend at Fort Kinnaird. The bus will be there on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th October from **10am – 6pm.**

S2 Hydrogen Challenge

On Wednesday we had an exciting workshop in the Science department where some of our S2 pupils were tasked to build a car out of Lego which was fuelled by hydrogen and then race them against each other; with a goal of claiming the longest distance travelled. Three winning teams from the day headed to the Edinburgh final today to compete against other S2 pupils from all other Edinburgh schools – and they finished in the top 5! Very well done to Bartek Rosinski, Louie Green, Alfie Pryde, Szymon Socha, Donald Lynn, Ross McPherson and Cesc Xargayo Costa.

The Lothian Jobs Fair

The Lothian Jobs Fair is being held on Friday 22nd October between 10am-1pm at Fisherrow Centre, Musselburgh. This is a great opportunity for pupils in S5 & S6 to meet and talk to employers from a range of sectors including retail, admin, engineering and childcare to name a few. This is free to attend, you just need to sign up here: Lothian's Jobs Fair Tickets, Fri 22 Oct 2021 at 10:00 | Eventbrite

Future Engineer



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The S1 class will be making robots on the next rotation, but two of pupils have put in the extra effort and made amazing backdrops at home for theirs. They haven't created the robots yet but have designed them for completion in the next rotation.



The first is done by Eliza Ingrey Counter- Her robot will be a businessman theme. She has created a 3D street scene with balcony and shop.

The second pupil is Ellis Haldane Ross. Her robot is a Bank robber theme. She has created a street light which even illuminates, a wanted poster and a shiny safe!





Science



Mrs Malley's 1d2 science class had fun investigating Non-Newtonian fluids.

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Advanced Higher Drama Performance Evening – Thursday 30th September 2022



Despite the current restrictions, and determined that the show must go on, the Advanced Higher Drama class performed their devised piece to an audience of friends from within the school and members of staff last Thursday evening. In order for the performance to go ahead safely, they had all returned negative Lateral Flow Tests just a couple of hours before the performance began.

Their devised piece was based on five pre-existing characters from four different plays: **George and Martha** from Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf (Edward Albee), **Maggie** from Cat on a Hot Tin Roof (Tennessee Williams), **Felix** from the Odd Couple (Neil Simon) and **Piaf** from Piaf (Pam Gems). The play was set towards the very end of the evening of George and Martha's 25th Wedding Anniversary, and these were the last remaining people at the party, in the early hours of Sunday morning. The performances were polished, thoughtful, highly entertaining and completely engaging, especially considering the age of the actors, compared to the age of the characters. It was a truly wonderful thing to be able to see our young people having the opportunity to share their considerable talents and they should be very proud of their achievements.

A big thankyou to Jack Gardner and Mhairi Klein for providing pre-show musical entertainment to help get the audience in the 1960s mood. Special thanks also goes to Callan McClean who stood in as Felix and to Jack Garner who operated lighting and sound, both at very short notice.

The following photos give a flavour of what the evening was like!

















