

# SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD: SELKIRK HIGH SCHOOL

THE latest from behind the scenes at Selkirk High School...



Selkirk High pupils in the workshop



Cricketer Ellie Wilkie

### Maths Circle

Our next Online Maths Circle will take place on Saturday, November 14 from 10am to 12.30pm. Problems and resources will be mostly aimed at children aged seven to 14. The event is free to attend, but registration is required. A link will be issued within the next two weeks. A session at 11.30am-12.30pm us mostly aimed at ages 11-14.

### Cricket star

The school would like to say congratulations to Ellie Wilkie in S3 on receiving Gala Cricket Club's Most Improved Player Award for the under 16 team. Ellie is an all-rounder and a great fielder too - she holds our school record for throwing the cricket ball. Although Ellie's proudest moment this season is hitting a gigantic six for the first time, she feels her bowling has really improved. Ellie is pictured in front of our

SHS Wall of Achievement which has a section highlighting the amazing successes of Selkirk ex-students in the world of sport. Ellie may be joining them soon.

### Tennis

The school would like to say congratulations to Ivan Burt Smith who won the boys 18 and under Scotland Tour Grade 4 Tournament at Stirling University on October 17. It is great to see that Ivan's efforts and determination are paying off yet again.

### S3 project

S3 pupils are doing some great work in the workshop modelling their architecture project designs. It's great to see some really imaginative designs being made into reality. We are excited to see the final results.

### Design

Senior students have made great progress in their design and



manufacture classes. They have been learning how to use the centre lathe and lasercutter. Meanwhile, S2 technology students have made great progress in the workshop this term. They have been designing, filing,

annealing and riveting pieces together, then using heat and plastic dip coating to finalise their coat hooks.

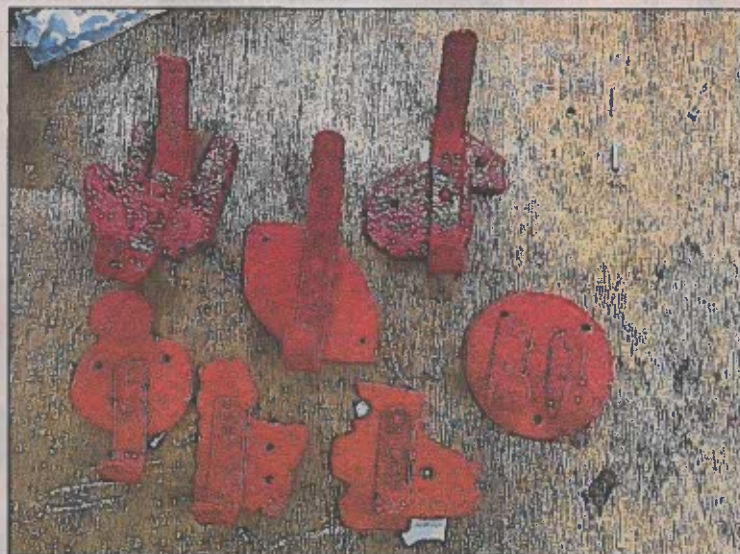
### S1 coding

This week all S1 students

participated in EU Code week. They were joined virtually by Dr Steve Bunce (an experienced computer programmer) and Matt Hanlon (a teacher from CodeHub) for an introduction to coding with Swift Playgrounds. The app provides an engaging introduction to coding, helps develop computational thinking along with logical thought processes and problem solving. Students were able to join the session live and interact with the presenters through the staff member. All students have the app on their iPads through the Inspire Learning programme and are able to progress further if they wish. The programming language is exactly the same as that used in all Apple devices and many applications that run on a range of devices. This experience gives students an experience in the relevant skills needed for future career opportunities within a rapidly growing industry sector.



Tennis player Ivan Burt



Some of the coat hooks designed by pupils



Students took part in EU Code Week