

# SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD: SELKIRK HIGH SCHOOL

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



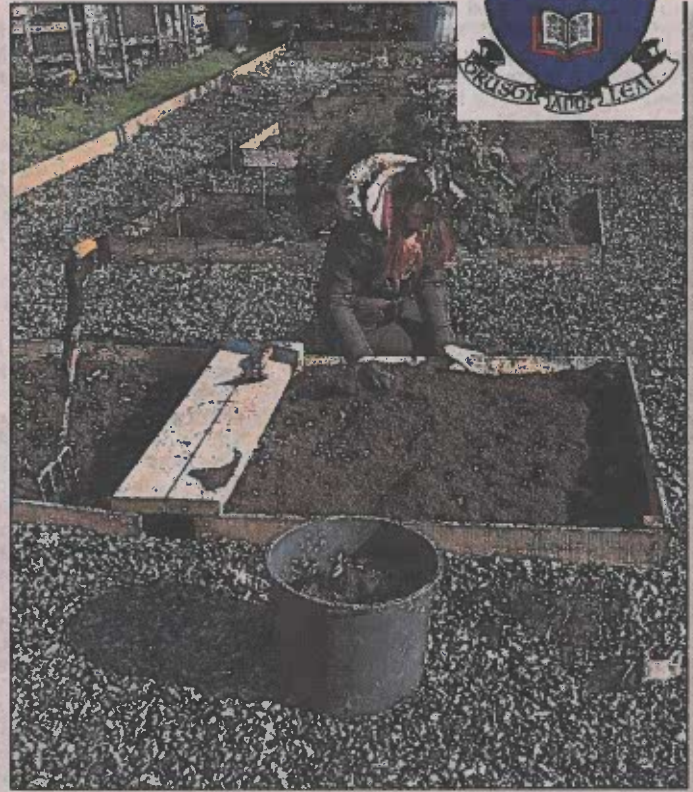
Joseph Agate and Phillip Balsam of Philiphaugh Primary School

**Algebra challenge**  
 After last week's P7 Transition session delivered by Mrs McHenry from the maths faculty, we are pleased to announce and congratulate the following P7 pupils for winning the algebra challenge: Joseph Agate and Phillip Balsam of Philiphaugh Primary School. Well done to both for their efforts.

**Health and wellbeing**  
 On Monday, March 21, P7s got to meet the members of the PE department online and participate in some fun physical and mental challenges over the afternoon. The afternoon involved students being introduced to the Flipgrid App on their iPads which was used to show students demonstrations of the PE staff attempting the challenges along with giving them instructions on how to do these. Students were then tasked with attempting the challenges and uploading their attempts. There was fantastic engagement

within the schools and we were very impressed with the flexibility, co-ordination, concentration and resilience shown by all. We are looking forward to seeing you after the summer.

**Only Plants**  
 Our social enterprise known as 'Only Plants', which made their first sales before Christmas, have been making use of the good weather and our short time back in school before Easter. They have decided on the next stages of their journey and started to prepare for planting a new batch of seeds and plants for next week. Today they prepared some soil, planting pots and raised beds and checked on plants already planted by some of our S1 and 2 students. Already we have daffodils and courgette plants for sale and these are available to purchase. As previously reported the project (running within the employability and enterprise class) is aimed at personal development while



Pupils have been busy preparing soil and planting



gaining an understanding of running a business. They have set personal targets, collaborated on creative ideas, written a business plan, and assigned roles. They now have experience with purchasing, marketing and sales. With some extra guidance from our newly-appointed business

teacher, Kirstin Parker, we expect them to do well and learn a lot on the way. The students have enjoyed being able to "set personal goals to build and improve ourselves for a work environment" while "gaining insight into the 'behind-the-scenes' workings of a company". They also value the link between

plants and mental well being - having chosen to support Rowlands and Stable life, along with the Harris Trust. If anyone is interested in purchasing either daffodils (£1 per pot) or courgette plants (£1 per plant) please contact [rpwillan@glow.sch.uk](mailto:rpwillan@glow.sch.uk) and we can arrange payment and delivery if local to Selkirk.

**Arkwright**  
 We are delighted to congratulate two of our S4 students who have been selected for the next stage of the Arkwright Engineering Scholarship. Eden Collins and Angus Macintyre have been selected for interview as part of the scholarship process. This year the quality of applications was extremely high. All of this year's candidates are clearly destined to secure a successful career in their chosen engineering field. All of our students have done fantastically well and we are very proud of their achievements.



Some plants are already on sale



Pupils getting involved in the 'Only Plants' social enterprise