

# SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD: SELKIRK HIGH SCHOOL

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



P7 pupils have been visiting Selkirk High School



Innes Casson won Police Scotland's poster competition

### P7 transition

P7 transition activities are well under way at Selkirk High School. All P7 pupils have had the opportunity to visit the school with their classes.

Whilst they were here, the pupils had the opportunity to get to grips with some of the ways that we use our iPads and were also given a tour of the school by some of our amazing S1 pupils (with a bit of a 'Scavenger Hunt' thrown in).

The S1 pupils also shared their excellent Achievement Journeys with the P7s showing them all the skills and values that they have been developing since they themselves started at high school. The English department were also delighted to meet all of the P7 students for an English taster session as part of their transition experience.

Students from Knowepark PS, Philiphaugh PS and St. Joseph's PS came up to the high school, while Mrs McKeown visited Lilliesleaf to teach their students plus those from Yarrow PS and Kirkhope PS.

The idea of the sessions was to remind P7s about the importance and pleasure of reading – a huge part of the S1 course. Students took part in a book quiz



and began work on 'My 3 Favourite Book' presentations which we will look at during the P7 visit in June.

The English department were very impressed by the enthusiasm of the P7s and how knowledgeable they were about books. We can't wait for them to join us again so we can continue our reading journeys together.

The Maths faculty have also been working with the P7 pupils.

Mrs McHenry, Mrs McRobert and Mr Cove visited the Primary schools. Mrs Graham from Philiphaugh PS messaged: "Thank you for coming down and meeting us today! You both made algebra much simpler for us to understand. And thank you to St. Josephs for walking down to Philiphaugh, you are welcome to visit anytime. We had a fab morning."

### Poster competition

The school would like to congratulate S3 student Innes Casson who is Scotland's hate crime poster competition winner. The competition supported Police Scotland's hate crime campaign, raising awareness of what hate crime is and encouraging people to report it. Schools across the country engaged with this project and the standard of entries was

outstanding. Selkirk High School continues to work with PC Swindells, the youth community officer, addressing hate crime and the 'Mind Your Language' campaign through PSE lessons. Further work will be done in collaboration with the art department in the school where pupils will be creating and developing their own posters to get the message across about hate crime and its impact on communities.

### Learning Festival

Selkirk High enjoyed being part of the Inspire Learning Festival at Springwood Park.

Five wonderful senior pupils helped with the P6 STEM event on day one and were absolute super stars. The school would like to say thank you to Dylan, Erika, Isla, Alanna and Charlotte.

On day two, Mr Bryson presented on the main stage while S1s Albin and Gethin helped share the incredible digital success of the school to people from all over the UK and France showing some of their work, talking about their lessons and displaying their Achievement Journey documents. All the pupils were a real credit to the school and we are really proud of them.



Innes' winning poster design



Youngsters enjoyed the Inspire Learning Festival at Springwood Park

