

SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD: SELKIRK HIGH SCHOOL

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



A dance was held for the leavers



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Outdoor Learning with French Twist

As part of S1 activities week, all S1 pupils had the opportunity to learn to play pétanque at the new pitch site at Philiphaugh. This was made possible by Reivers Pétanque, who kindly supplied coaches to explain the rules and how to play, as well as a few French terms to expand their vocabularies. A long walk to get there, but everyone enjoyed the experience.

S1 One-Shot Movies

S1 and the NPA Film and Media class had a go at making one-shot movies this year - where a film is one continuous shot with no breaks or editing. This is harder than it sounds as the groups had to co-ordinate when and where actors would appear and concentrate on producing a smooth film. S1 in particular were really enthusiastic and produced some funny...and creepy...one-shot movies. The best S1 movies received house points for their efforts.

Music Department

The school choir, brass students, and some members of our ceilidh band took a trip down to Bield Housing to perform some Common Riding songs for the residents. They were eagerly waiting for our arrival and were clapping and singing along throughout the performances. It was a fantastic opportunity for our pupils to perform and make new connections.

Leavers' Evening and Leavers' Prom

Farewell the Class of 2023! Leavers' Evening was a delightful and emotional occasion with families and staff celebrating the achievement journeys of our wonderful S4, S5 and S6 leavers. A presentation was made to each student, a few words were shared and then refreshment was taken. A very Selkirk HS event - informal but meaningful and positive relationships all around! We will miss them. And then, the following evening, it was time to dance! The hall was adorned with ribbon and lights

and fantastic displays of flowers from our horticultural team. The night kicked off with staff and students enjoying a leavers' dinner, lovingly planned for and prepared by Clare Craig, Alison Robb - the Home Ec team - and Clare's husband, Euan. Balmoral chicken - seriously good! Ian Lothian and son Robin provided the music and the leavers and their guests had a great night which, rumour has it, continued for a while somewhere else!

Common Riding

S2 students have designed and created a pallet pocket garden with a Common Riding theme. Horseshoes were donated by Bernie Armstrong so students could decorate them with ribbons. The welding group used the horseshoes to create beautiful flower garden ornaments. The garden was unveiled during the casting of the flags at Selkirk High School and the creativity of our students was very much appreciated. All of the flowers used in this display will be available to buy next week from the horticulture

department. To see more photos and information on the outdoor activities of our students, please visit our Facebook page, Selkirk High School Horticulture.

Rugby

Huge congratulations to Finlay Smith who has signed a contract with the Scottish Rugby Academy. This is an outstanding achievement. The contract will help support Finlay to continue to develop and progress in his rugby. Finlay will train with the Scottish Rugby Academy three times a week. All at Selkirk HS are very proud of Finlay.....keep up the very hard work and dedication.

Values In Action

Congratulations to Lewis Wilson S2 for his commitment to others. Inspired by our very own Ian Lowthian, Lewis has completed the 5km Race for Life in Edinburgh and - amazingly - has raised over £1,150 for cancer! This is the second most out of all the participants. Well done Lewis!



Above: Pupils took a trip down to Bield Housing to perform some Common Riding songs. Below: Leavers' Evening was an emotional occasion



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