

SCHOOL NOTICEBOARD: SELKIRK HIGH SCHOOL

...All the latest news straight from the classroom



S3 practical cookery pupils visited Standhill Farm



S1 pupil Craig Anderson earned two golds at recent taekwondo tournaments. Images: Selkirk High School

Standhill Farm Visit
OUR S3 practical cookery pupils went for a visit to Standhill Farm this week as part of their sustainability block.

Pupils saw the dairy cows and learned how the cow manure is turned in to gas, electricity and heating that is then used to heat a four-acre glasshouse that grows 700 tonnes of tomatoes every year.

At the end of the visit we were able to taste the tomatoes and they were delicious. Many thanks to RHET for organising and the Shanks family for allowing us to visit.

International Taekwondo Success!

CONGRATULATIONS to Craig Anderson, S1, who made his debut at the British Nationals held in Sheffield for World Taekwondo on October 4, getting to the quarter finals.

Craig then went to Holland, in order to represent Scotland at the WITC European Championships!

Craig has come home with two golds in team patterns and sparring and a silver and bronze in individual patterns and individual sparring!

Well done Craig! Your commitment to your sport is inspiring!

TSB visit

BARRY Johnston from TSB visited the school recently with an amazing presentation and discussion with higher students.

Thanks to DYW Borders for organising and to Barry for visiting.

Values In Action (VIA) Friday!

TODAY we recognised a group of students who have put their values into action in support of others, whether courage, compassion or integrity.

Along with hot chocolate and a snack of their choice, students were also award five House Tokens for their inspiring efforts.

Chloe Dodds, Sonia Mendyk, Naomi Carroll and Evie Ford for integrity shown supporting parents' evening.

Marley Laing-Wilson for courage and compassion, volunteering 200 hours for SHS Community Cooking.

Isla Kennedy for inspirational courage under pressure.

Anna Williams for inspirational compassion shown to another pupil.

Faculty Bids recognition

WE also recognised the contributions of Faculty ambassadors who presented Faculty Bids, with real integrity, to our Parent Partnership to improve our school.

Physics - Jack Vause, Ash Black, Anna Williams

Pupil support - Aaron Douglas, Luci Douglas, Alexandra Tyler, Orla Hay.

Cyber security - Rudi Johnstone, Corin Clark.

Craft Club - Alexandra Tyler, Orla Hay.

Humanities - Theo Aitken, Jade McCulloch

Duke of Edinburgh - Evie Stewart, Daniel Vause

Art - Leila Cram, Erin Smith

Maths - Amber McPether, Naomi Carroll, Esme Borthwick, Kirsten Auld.

Selkirk High School Maths Ambassadors are Pitch Perfect

SELKIRK High School's Maths Ambassadors put in a sensational performance with a recent bid for some departmental funding.

In an effort to secure additional funding from our Faculty Parent Partnership, they collaborated on a presentation for additional funding to allow the maths faculty to purchase a variety of resources through subscription websites.

Our four outstanding ambassadors, Amber, Naomi, Kirsten and Esme, put forward a compelling case, clearly outlining the benefits of subscribing to additional websites.

Their pitch was based on an altruistic approach that would not only benefit all students in the faculty, but rather, it would also support their teachers in delivering lessons with more variety due to the additional resources secured.

On the day, they delivered a first-rate performance that would have had the Dragons in the Den reaching for their wallets.

Despite some technical hitches (through no fault of their own) they remained composed, delivering their pitch with resilience, assurance and incredible enthusiasm.

In the face of some searching questions, they remained resolute, clearly outlining their rationale. They had pitched for three subscriptions and we are delighted to report that they were awarded all of the money.



Values in action Friday

The feedback from the Faculty Parent Partnership was overwhelmingly positive: "This group handled the teething technical difficulties with aplomb and gave an enthusiastic and knowledgeable presentation."

"As a group they collaborated well and supported each other. The purpose was clear and identified that all pupils would benefit and that there was benefit for the maths teachers too."

"They then further detailed how different groups would benefit from these subscriptions - with the resources providing different ways of learning and being adaptable for differing abilities."

Suffice to say, Sir Alan Sugar need look no further when he is in search of his next apprentice!



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