

The Knox Newsletter



June 2013

From the Head Teacher

Dear Friends

Welcome to the final newsletter of session 2012/13. Owing to popular demand we have re-branded this publication as the "Knox Newsletter" to differentiate it from the "Knox News". For lots more information about what's been going on at Knox Academy, please visit the school website at www.ka-net.org. If you click on the "Mail Chimp" icon in the black band at the bottom of the webpage you will automatically receive updates and news from the school into your email inbox.

It has been an extraordinarily busy session and the pupils have made me very proud. The achievements have ranged from demonstrating sporting prowess; to showing grit and determination at Outdoor Education events; to playing in gigs and talent shows; to being nominated for volunteering awards; to working on policy with the Scottish Government. The S4, S5 and S6 have all worked extremely hard to ensure that they get the best exam results that they can and I suspect that staff, pupils and parents will all be a bit nervous waiting for the results in August. However, I am sure that nervousness will be replaced by elation and pride once the text messages, emails and snail mail has been opened.

As well as saying goodbye to our S6, we are saying farewell to some members of staff. Mrs Barber (Geography), Dr Dickinson (Science and Chemistry) and Mrs Robb (Science Technician) are all retiring after many years of sterling service. We wish them all the best in their "new lives". Mr Woolley (RMPS) is leaving to take up the post as Principal Teacher of RMPS at Stewart's Melville College in Edinburgh; Mr MacDonald (PE) will be joining the staff of Musselburgh Grammar School as Head of the Health and Wellbeing Faculty; and Mr Doig (Science and Physics) is taking a year's leave of absence (so he'll be back in August 2014). Again, I wish them all that they wish for themselves as they embark on new phases in their careers.

It has been a busy few weeks what with Sports' Day; the Swimming Gala; the P7 Visit; Spy Week; County Sports; and the Awards' Ceremony. However, it has only gone to show me how lucky we are that we have enthusiastic pupils and staff who put in the effort right until the last gasp of the year. I would also like to take this opportunity to say thank you to parents, the community and our partner agencies for helping our youngsters be as successful as they can be. Without you, we would only be able to do half a job.

You will find that the rest of this newsletter is devoted to honouring pupils who have made a real difference this year—be it in academic study, through outstanding effort, or talent, or through giving up their own time to volunteer. We can't give everyone a prize, but there is something there for all pupils to aspire to, so well done to the pupils we mention and "go for it" to everyone else who should be inspired to get their names in the programme for next year.

Sarah Ingham

Head Teacher

S1 MERIT CERTIFICATES

Robin Bellamy 1T1 Daniel Cole 1G1 Mollie Gidney 1L3 Brigid Hay 1L3 Georgia Kerr 1L1 Conal McGregor 1L2 Amy McKinnon 1G1 Saoirse Murphy-Collot 1L2 Fergus Syme 1G1 Evie Trouton 1T2 Connor Wilson-Rumney 1L1 Rebecca Wray 1L1

Fraser Wright 1L2

S2 MERIT CERTIFICATES

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Emily Bowen 2T3 James Dewar 2L2 Angus Hamilton 2G2 Katrina Hummel 2T3 Finlay Logie 2T3 Alasdair McFarlane 2T2 Kathryn Neillans 2T2 Isaac Smith 2T1 Ninian Wilberforce 2T3 Kaye Wilson 2T3 Molly Young 2G1

S3 SUBJECT CERTIFICATES

Rosalie Betts 3T1 Chloe Craig 3L2 Scott Crawford 3T2 Chloe Duffy 3L2 Jamie Duguid 3G1 Harriet Lomholt-Welch 3T1 Hannah Metcalfe 3L1 Holly Morton 3G2 Joanna Rendall 3L3 Charlotte Smith 3T2 Charlotte Smith 3T2 Rebecca Swinton 3G1 Rebecca Swinton 3G1 William Syme 3G1 Rachel Watson 3T2 Bethany Whitaker 3G1

Geography **Physics** Computing French **RMPS** PΕ Art Chemistry Home Ec Drama

Music History Maths Design & Tech English

Modern Studies

S4 SUBJECT PRIZES

Deanna Gibbons 4G1 Drama **RMPS** Katie Holton 4G1 Annabel Jackson 4G3 PΕ Lachlan King 4L2 **Physics** Eilidh McClure 4G1 Home Ec Bethan McGregor 4L2 **Biology** Bethan McGregor 4L1 History Owen McHugh 4G1 French Owen McHugh 4G1 **English** Owen McHugh 4G1 Latin Owen McHugh 4G1 Music Robert Mitchell 4L3 Computing Claire Neillans 4T1 Maths Claire Neillans 4T1 Angus Riddell 4G2 Art

Angus Riddell 4G2 Katie Scott 4L3 Perry Stewart 4T3 Ellie Thomson 4T1 Fraser Watt 4T2 Caitlin Wright 4T1 Natasha Wright 4T3

Geography Design & Technology GC Chemistry **Classical Studies Business Management** Design & Technology CD **Modern Studies** Admin

S5/S6 SUBJECT PRIZES Amie Cowan 5T3 Amie Cowan 5T3 Craig Greathead 5G1 Lyndsey Herkes 5T1 Euan King 6L2 Ailsa Macaldowie 5L1 Ailsa Macaldowie 5L1 Ailsa Macaldowie 5L1 Dvlan Noble 5T3 Lucie O'Donnell 5T1 Jaimee Pickard 5G3 Jaimee Pickard 5G3 Jaimee Pickard 5G3 Martin Pryde 5L2 Adam Richmond 5T3 Adam Richmond 5T3 Gemma Sandie 5G3 Anya Singh 6L2

Drama RMPS **Modern Studies**

Business Management Latin Chemistry **Biology** Maths Geography English Music History French Computing **Physics** Art

Classical Studies

SPOWAGE PRIZES FOR O/STANDING WORK IN AD HIGHER

Charlotte Algeo 6T1 Erin Baillie 6G3 Liska Crofts 6T2 Lauren Fairgrieve 6T1 Jordanne Grant 6L3 Sarah Hall 6G3 Kirsty Hopkinson 6L3 Iona Lee 6T3 Erin Lowe 6G1 Calum Lyell 6L2 Calum Lyell 6L2 Louise McKay 6G3 Ben Nisbet 6G1 Louisa Paxton 6T1 Rebecca Ramage 6G2 Abbie Scott 6T3 Jack Thomson 6G3

Callam Veitch 6L2

Chemistry History

AH Classical Studies English Drama Maths Home Ec Art Psychology **Physics** Geography **Modern Studies** Music

French **Business Management**

RMPS Biology PΕ

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT	SPORTS PERSONALITY		OUTSTANDING SPORTS		SPIRIT OF SPORT AWARD	
Daryl Hogan	Gabrielle Jackson		ACHIEVEMENT AWARD		Ryan Kent	
Megan Wilson			Scott Thomson			
KERRY JAWORSKI TRO-	YOUNG COACH OF THE YEAR		ALICE BURNETT TWINNING		MICHAEL GODEK PRIZE	
PHY FOR HOCKEY			SCHOLARSHIP		FOR GUITAR	
Holly Taylor	Stuart Mills		Louisa Paxton		Nina McMullan	
GILLIS PRIZE FOR PAINT-	DEPUTES' AWARD		VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR		PSP AWARD	
ING	Carla Taylor		AWARD		Lewis Rollo	
Ailish Kelly			Roisin Kennelly			
LEADERSHIP TEAM	ENTERPRISE AWARD		AWARD FOR CREATIVITY		RUSSELL REDPATH	
AWARD	Catherine	Crawford	Iona Lee		AWARD	
Finlay Munro					Hannah Green	
SERVICE TO THE SCHOOL		COMMUNITY COUN	CIL AWARD	KWN NA	TIONAL PRIZEWINNERS	
Anya Singh		S6 Oxfam Volunteers	S	2013		
Sarah Hall	Graham Crowson		Olivia Chr		istie	
Louise McKay		Niall Robertson		Chloe Cra	_	
Zoe Connell		William McIntosh-S	mith	Harriet Lomholt-Welch		
Conor McHugh				Isla Macdonald		
Louisa Paxton			Charlotte			
Robin Stewart			Ben Scott			
				Charlotte		
			Megan Sproul			
DUKE OF EDINBURGH SILVER AWARD			DUKE OF EDINBURGH BRONZE AWARD			
Zoe Connell			Angus Riddell			
Kathryn Couperwhite			Bethan McGregor			
Rhiannon Durie			Ellie Thomson			
Craig Gunn William Maglatash Smith			Jacob Walker Lachlan King			
William MacIntosh-Smith Lewis Moncrieff			Naomi Rogers			
Beth Smith			Perry Stewart			
ANGELA WOODWARD			JANIS CRAIG AWARD FOR		SALTIRE AWARD	
PRIZE FOR FOR OUTSTANDING			OUTSTANDING		Jasmine Campbell	
EXCELLENCE IN BUSINESS			PERFORMANCE IN HISTORY-			
EDUCATION	GEOGRAPHY		Robin Stewart			
Euan King	Graham Crowson					
ALASTAIR BARDEN MEMORIAL			KERR MACFARLANE MEMORIAL PRIZE			
Ben Nisbet & Erin Lowe			Louise McKay			
S3 DUX			DUX OF SCHOOL			
Charlotte Smith			Craig Greathead			



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 19th August	In-Service Day		Tuesday 17th September	All Resume
Tuesday 20th August	In-Service Day		Thursday 19th September	UCAS Evening (7.30pm)
Wednesday 21st August	Pupils Resume		Friday 20th September	Jeans for Genes Day S6 leave for Dalguise
				30 leave for Daiguise
Monday 26th August	S1 & S6 Photographs		Tuesday 1st October	S1 Settling-In Evening (6.30pm)
Wednesday 4th September	Tomorrow's Driver (S5/6) Wednesday 2nd Octo		Wednesday 2nd October	PSP Meeting (6.15pm)
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Monday 9th September	Higher Education		Thursday 3rd October	AH Drama Presentation
	Convention			(6pm)
Tuesday 10th September	Higher Education		Thursday 10th October	Higher Drama Presentation
	Convention			(6pm)
Friday 13th September	Holiday		Monday 14th October to Friday 18th October	Holiday
Monday 16th September	Holiday		Monday 21st October	In-Service Day
			Tuesday 22nd October	Pupils Resume

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