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# Rutherglen High School

## Mrs Allan

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Welcome to the Autumn edition of the Rutherglen High Newsletter.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new pupils and parents. Our new pupils seem to have settled in well to the life and routines of Rutherglen High School and are a great credit to their families.

This term has been very busy, some pupils have taken part in residential visits to Arran and Inverclyde and our Eco morning was a great success. Other events have included

visits to The Dog's Trust as part of the S1.1 English programme, Darcy's Equine Assisted Learning Centre (3.3 class) and a retreat to Carfin with Trinity High School to name but a few.

Thank you to everyone who supported the MacMillan Coffee afternoon and who donated food for the Harvest Festival. Both were well supported and highlight the caring and giving nature of the Rutherglen High Community.

Thank you also to Mr & Mrs Blake for

their fantastic fund raising over the year, some of this money has been used to purchase new playground equipment and to the Rutherglen United Reformed Church for their generous donation in support of Reach Forward residentials. Your support is greatly appreciated.

I hope you enjoy finding out more about our school and may I take this opportunity to wish you a happy and relaxing October holiday.

## Eco Schools Green Flag Award

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We are delighted to confirm that the school has once again been successful in attaining Green Flag award status. The topics for this submission included Litter, Health and Wellbeing and Biodiversity. The school has been commended by Eco Schools for the way in which curricular links have been de-

veloped and the emphasis placed upon emotional, mental and physical wellbeing. Our recent Eco Day was very successful and provided pupils with opportunities to engage in a range of activities including litter picking, pond dipping with the Friends of Holmhill group, wildflower planting at Blairbeth Urban

Greenspace and also a session on Global Goals. We will now continue our journey with a focus on Litter, Waste Minimisation and Global Citizenship. Well done to Mr Currie and his Eco Team.



## S4 in Edinburgh

Rutherglen High English Dept organised a trip to The Edinburgh Book Festival.

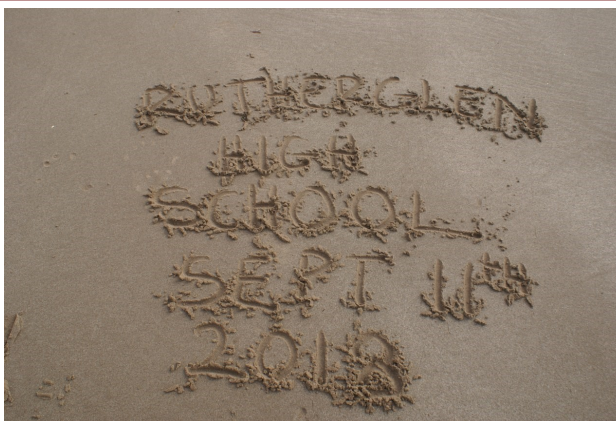
The pupils were able to listen to authors, writers and musicians talking about their work and experiences.

They met the award winning children's author Tracy Corderoy.

The pupils received book tokens at the event and were able to buy some books.



## Arran



They also used the swimming facilities at The Auchrannie House Hotel.

S6 pupil William McGarr said "I had the best time, my favourite activity was the beach art".

Weather permitting Mr McLean will be

Rutherglen High's very own Bear Grylls, Mr McLean led an expedition to deepest darkest Arran.

returning to Arran in December, hopefully he'll take some pupils with him.

Pupils travelled over by ferry from Ardrossan Harbour and stayed at the Arran Outdoor Centre.

They took part in various activities including hill walking, seal watching and beach art.



Geoff and Tracy Blake (parents of S3 pupil Ethan) teamed up with work colleagues to take part in Pretty Muddy and Tough Mudder events. They managed to raise over £1600 for the school. The money will be used for sports equipment. Geoff and Tracy paid a visit to the school along with Lee-Anne Duffy to present the cheque and some sports equipment. (Photo above right).

## Macmillan Coffee Morning.

The Macmillan Coffee Morning took place on Thursday 20th September.

The Macmillan Cancer Support Charity do more than just nurse terminally ill people they look after not only the person who is ill but also the whole family.

MacMillan cancer support can help financially as it can be very expensive for a person receiving treatment on a daily basis to get to and from the hospital. The Home Economics

class very kindly agreed to bake for the event and everything was delicious as usual.

The pupils were involved in a



range of duties throughout the morning.

The morning was a great success and with the entry money, the raffle and we raised in excess of £580

We would like to thank pupils, parents and staff for supporting such a worthy cause.

Looking forward to next year.



## Out and about with Rutherglen High

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Mr Williams and Miss Clements took a group of pupils to the Velodrome in Glasgow's East End. The Scottish Cycling Event was hosted by Chris Hoy. The pupils got to take part in a range of cycling activities and then met Chris for a photo opportunity.



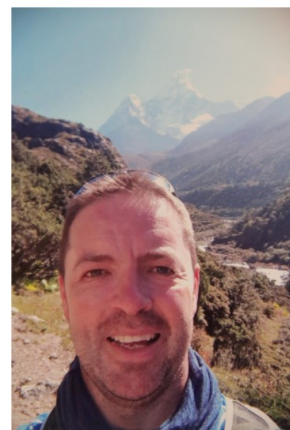
Azeem, Brandon and Jack pose with Chris Hoy.

Mr Dornan, Mrs Thornton and Mrs Wakeling accompanied pupils to a spiritual retreat at Carfin Grotto. Our pupils were joined by pupils from Trinity High and they all took part in various religious events and learned about the history of the Grotto.



Mr Richard Young ( father of our S1 pupil Donna ) is undertaking a climb of Mount Everest to raise funds for the school!

He will be away for a few weeks and has been training for the event for a long time. We wish him a safe trip.



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## Peace One Day

Pupils and staff from Rutherglen High made the trip down the road to Trinity High School to take part in celebrations marking 'Peace One Day'. Peace One Day is a non profit-making organisation founded by Jeremy Gilley. He founded

the organisation with the aim of persuading the global community via the United Nations to sanction officially a day without conflict; a ceasefire day throughout the world.



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## Halloween Disco

Everyone's really looking forward to our Halloween party this year. There will be lots of ghoulish goings on and a great choice of wicked party games and some tasty treats for everyone to enjoy. Pupils ( and staff ) from all years are invited to dress up in their best costumes, there will be a prize for

the best girl and the best boy. Look out the costumes, or better still, create your own costume and have a great day. Tickets are £2, this price includes a refreshment. There will also be a tuck-shop. So mark Weds 31st of October in your diary. Pupils should bring their costumes in their bag.





# Gallery

