



Rutherglen High School

Christmas 2019

Welcome to the Christmas edition of the Rutherglen High School newsletter.

I can't believe it is Christmas already. As you can see from the newsletter things continue to be very busy at Rutherglen High. There have been very successful residential visits to Arran Outdoor Centre, Glasgow Science Centre and Dogs Trust to name but a few.

Pupils continue to work hard in all subject areas and I am delighted with the progress they are making. Thank you to everyone who supported our Christmas Coffee morning and attended the Christmas Service. Our friends from Trinity High joined us at the service and the musical talents of the staff and pupils were amazing. Thank you also to our two narrators, Mark Watson and Alice Beattie who were fantastic.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our parents and carers and the extended community of Rutherglen for their continued support, it is greatly appreciated.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff for their hard work and commitment throughout the year and who deserve their well earned rest. Thank you also to our wonderful pupils for their continued successes and being excellent ambassadors for the school.

I hope you have a very Merry Christmas and best wishes for 2020

Reach Forward in Arran....



Mr McLean once again led a group residential to the Isle of Arran.

The pupils were able to participate in climbing, caving, hiking, swimming, camp fire building, team games, nature art and sculpture.

They also had time for a party to celebrate Sophie Smith's birthday. Mr McLean also organised a trip to Edinburgh (is there nothing this man can't do?)but it had to be cancelled after we received a yellow weather warning.



Christmas Events....

There have been a host of activities taking place over the past 2 weeks in preparation for Christmas.

Staff and pupils have been involved planning and hosting a variety of events leading up to the end of term. They included;

S1/S2 pupils started with a trip to The Crowne Plaza Hotel in Glasgow for the 'Variety Christmas Party' Presents, goodies, magicians and a visit from Santa ensured the a great time was had by all.



We also had a highly successful Christmas Coffee Morning. We had raffles, goodies and school-made Christmas Decorations for sale. We raised £550.

Thursday 12th December was the whole school Christmas Lunch. There was a great atmosphere and the food was delicious. A special thanks To Mrs Martin and all the staff who made it possible.

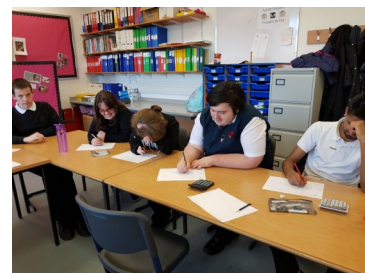
Junior Apprentice...



Our S6 Seniors were busy competing in a 'Junior Apprentice' style sales contest during the Christmas Fayre.

This involved selling Christmas Crafts which they and junior classes had made in Developing Young Workforce classes.

Both teams completely sold out and made a healthy profit of £117.00 for school funds.



Caritas Group...

Several senior pupils have been enrolled in the Caritas award and have undertaken responsibilities in their own parishes and communities. They have also been busy in school helping to prepare for various events.

Trinity High school pupils joined our Caritas students for several events and paid a visit to the school for our Christmas Service on Thursday 19th December.

We also enjoyed a celebration of mass at Carfin with Trinity High School pupils and staff.



Science Centre Visit...

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Pupils from Rutherglen High enjoyed a great visit to the Science Centre in Glasgow. The pupils were able to experience visual illusions, physical challenges and mind-bending puzzles to engage their brains.



After having their minds boggled they were able to visit the Planetarium.

The Planetarium is a spectacular state-of-the-art full-dome digital projection system. In a live presenter-led show, manned by an expert team of astronomers and science bods, they embarked on a fantastic journey through the solar system, into the Milky Way and beyond... the pupils agreed it was an out of this world experience.



English....

S1 pupils from class 1.2 have planned and written lovely Christmas letters to their primary schools to let them know about their experiences at Rutherglen High so far. This project was to let their primary schools know they've settled in well to S1 and, how much they are enjoying Rutherglen High. They have included their favourite subjects, outings and their participation in school events such as the Christmas Coffee Morning.

As part of their topic on homelessness, S6 pupils were involved in the charity project of collecting essential items for the Salvation Army shoebox appeal. Thank you to all parents, pupils and staff who donated items and helped in the organisation. These were delivered to the Salvation Army last week.

Christmas Disco....

A great time was had by all at the Rutherglen High Christmas



Christmas Service....

Pupils and staff from Rutherglen High were joined by parents, carers, grandparents, family and friends on Thursday for our Christmas Service. We were also joined by staff and pupils from Trinity High school.

Our chaplaincy team, aided by pupils, told the Nativity Story to an appreciative audience. Our pupils provided us with a medley of Christmas songs. Pupils from Trinity High gave us a great rendition of Auld Lang Syne.



Photo Gallery

