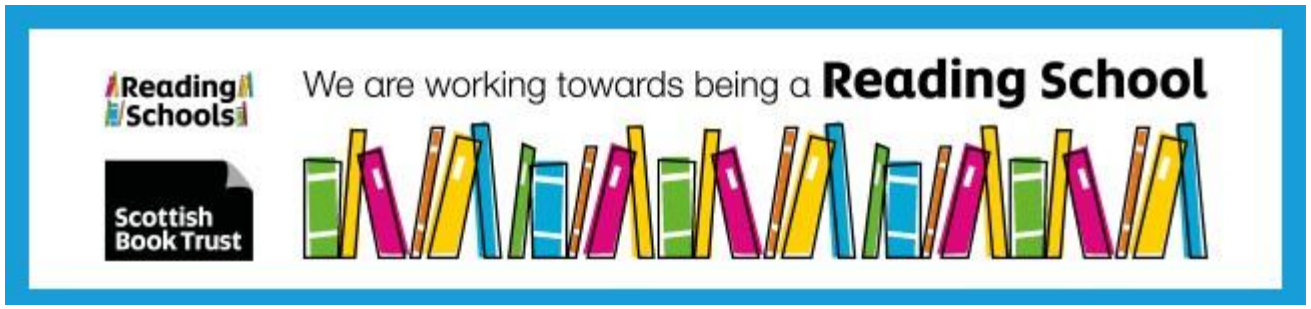
Friday 30th October 2026

Pupil Bulletin





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Reading

Reading this week will be during p2 (P1 on Friday)

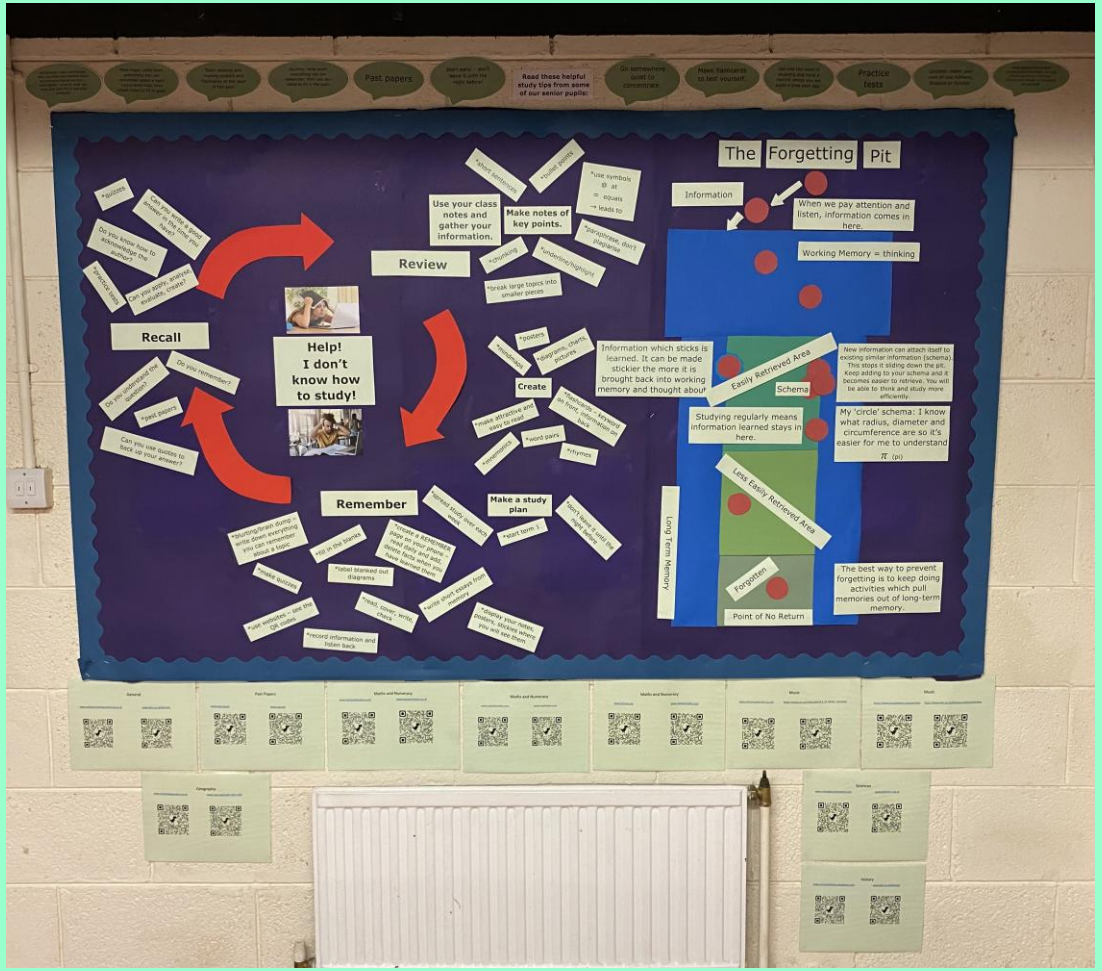


Activities

Please check the activity lists in the foyer – they have been updated.

Please speak to Ms Costello if you are doing the Babysitting Course

Seniors……have you used this wall display yet?



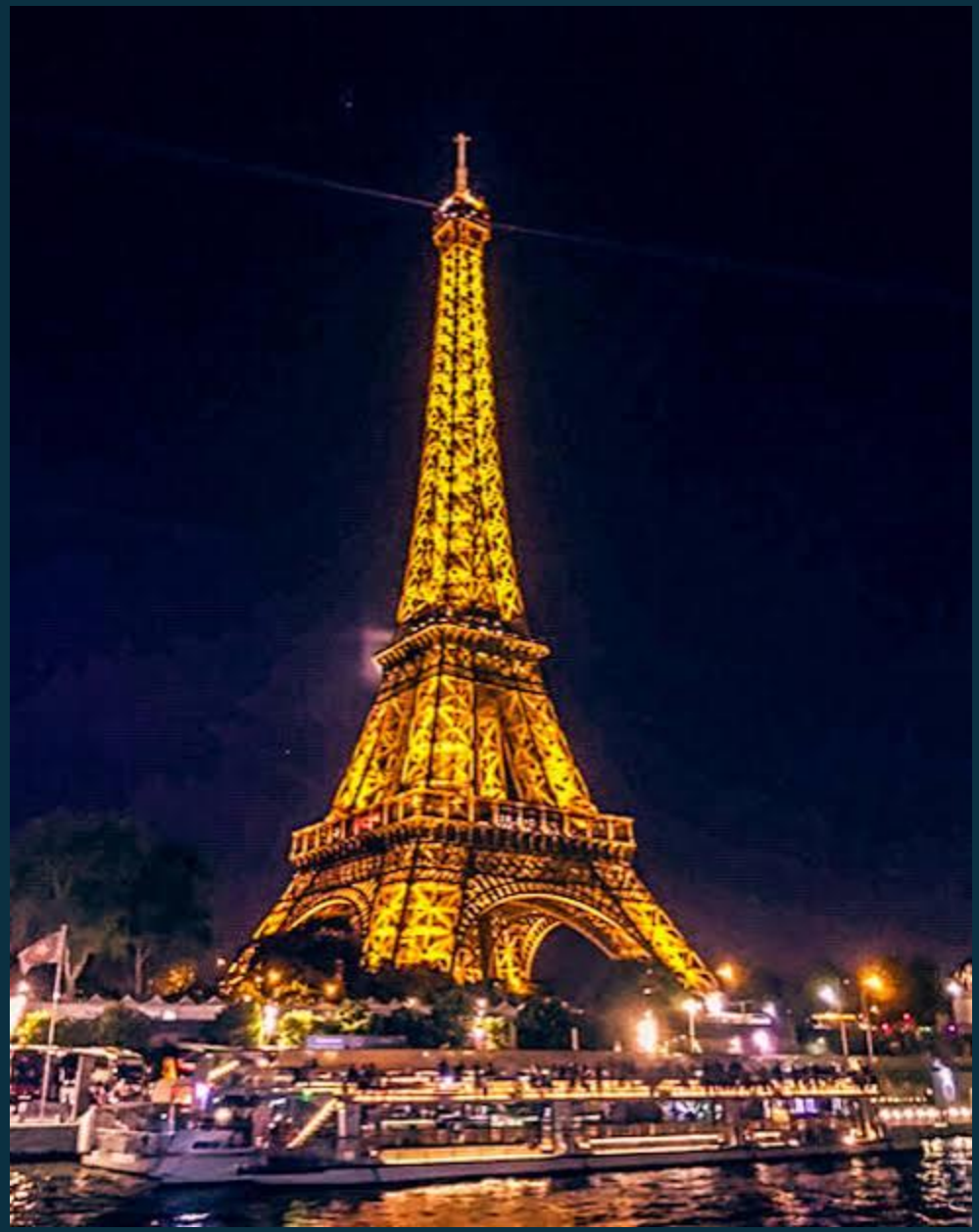
- At the end of term 2 a survey will be sent out to see if and how you have been using this wall display in the red area.
- This is a peedie reminder that prelims are just around the corner, and this wall display has been organised to support you in your studying.
- If you missed the presentation back in June, please go and check it out.
- If you want an explanation about what it all means (or you have forgotten), come and ask me. I'd be delighted to help!

Mrs Scott

Competition for S1 only!

Design your own model of…

La Tour Eiffel



Competition rules:

- Work in groups of up to 4
- Deadline is Friday 30th October
- Hand your model into Miss Dunn or Mrs Wailoo
- Models must be **no taller than** 50 centimetres
- Do not include any food items in your model!

DYW ORKNEY Developing the Young Workforce

Lunch With an Employer

Women and Girls in Sports Week

Interested in a career in Sport and Leisure?

Come along to explore the exciting careers and pathways available in Sports and Leisure, especially for girls! Take part in fun, girls-only activities and chat with members of the OIC Sports and Leisure team to find out more about the opportunities available, the skills you can develop and how to turn your interests into a future career.

Wednesday 4th November 2026 1.15pm - 1.55pm

PE Department


FULL
PROGRAMME
Now Live!
Celebrating
10
YEARS
SCOTTISH WOMEN & GIRLS
IN SPORT WEEK
2 – 6 NOVEMBER AT KGS


MONDAY 2ND
Inspiring Women in Sport
6:00pm – 8:30pm
Athlete Panel • Nutrition Talk • Q&A
TUESDAY 3RD
Women's Health & Performance
6:00pm – 8:45pm
Fitness Sessions • Women's Health • Girl's Health
WEDNESDAY 4TH
Coaching, Confidence & Leadership
6:00pm – 9:00pm
Workshops • Coaching • Discussions • Networking
THURSDAY 5TH
Move, Try & Connect
6:00pm – 7:45pm
Fitness Classes • Sports Tasters • Have a Go
FRIDAY 6TH
10 Year Celebration Party
6:30pm – 1:00am
Speakers • Food & Drink • Music • Celebration
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LOWS
Shiels Fleet
ORKNEY ISLANDS COUNCIL
KIRSTIN SHEARER

Scottish Youth Parliament Elections

Voting in the Scottish Youth Parliament Elections 2026 in Orkney 2nd – 15th November 2026

Between 2nd and 15th November 2026, young people across Scotland will vote to choose the young people who will represent them in the Scottish Youth Parliament. All young people aged 12 – 25, and young people who are aged 11 in S1, are eligible to vote, and I'm writing to ask for your support in promoting this to the young people you work with.

The Scottish Youth Parliament (SYP) is the democratically elected voice of Scotland's young people. Every two years, around 160 members of the Scottish Youth Parliament - MSYPs - aged 14 to 25 are elected to represent young people in every part of Scotland and to campaign for positive change.

How young people in Orkney can vote

Voting will open at 8am on Monday 2nd November and will close at midnight on Sunday 15th November.

In **Orkney**, young people can vote by visiting https://vote.syp.org.uk/ and signing in using the 16-digit code on their Young Scot National Entitlement Card. If they don't have a Young Scot card, they can request a temporary voting number, an allocated list will be provided.

How you can help to promote the SYP Elections

The Scottish Youth Parliament represents all young people in Scotland, and we want to make sure all young people in Orkney can take part in the SYP Elections this year by voting for the MSYPs who will represent them over the next two years.

You could help us to promote the SYP Elections by:

Facilitating a workshop or presentation about the Scottish Youth Parliament. There is a presentation available here SYP Elections 2026 - Promote the Vote information session using CONSUL (10 minutes).pptx, and a workshop toolkit available here.

Putting up posters or sharing flyers and social media posts about the SYP elections.

Including information about the SYP elections in newsletters.

Inviting the election coordinator to deliver a presentation at assemblies or classes

How to contact me

If you have any questions or would like to contact me at any point during the SYP Elections process, my contact details are:

Richard Smith

Community Learning and Development Officer

Education, Communities and Housing

Orkney Islands Council, Council Offices, Kirkwall, Orkney, KW15 1NY

Tel: 01856 873535 Ext: 2424

Mobile 07385401589

SCDA Drama - actors

- Rehearsals begin today (Friday 30th) after Activities.
- Please be prepared to stay at school until 3pm.
- Meet in Ms Grieve's room (English 3).
- Let me (Ms Grieve) know if you can't make it, or **I will assume you've dropped out and you won't be cast.**





Heading to the Co-op?

- The co-op are introducing a new policy that bags are left outside.
- Please bear this in mind if you are heading there for lunch.



ST ANDREW'S DAY CELEBRATION

Monday 30th November

Celebrate Scotland's national day with a special lunch featuring local Orkney produce

MENU

Homemade Lentil Soup (C)

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Orkney-reared Lamb Burger (G,S)and Fries

OR

Homemade Lentil Burger (C,G,S)and Fries

Main courses served with corn and carrots

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Homemade Bere Shortbread (G)

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Ham Sandwich (G,S) or Orkney Cheddar Cheese Sandwich (G,D,S)

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SPECIAL THANKS

A huge thank you to Orkney Auction Mart for donating the Orkney-reared lamb and to Williamsons Butchers for preparing and delivering the lamb to schools across Orkney.

Supporting local food, local farming and our community.

Happy St Andrew's Day!

Do you want to have a say?

The **Scottish Youth Parliament (SYP) Elections are taking place in November 2026.**

- SYP is the democratically elected voice of Scotland's young people. MSYPs are elected every two years and represent young people in their communities, make sure their views are heard by decision-makers and campaign for positive change.

Could you be Orkney's next MSYP?

You **do not need previous experience of politics, youth forums or campaigning**. You just need to be keen to reach a wide range of young people who care about issues affecting themselves, their friends o
and would like the opportunity to make a difference.

To stand as a constituency candidate, you must:

- be **aged 14–25 when voting closes on 15 November 202**
- **live, work or study in Orkney**.

Action for Children drop in session

Could all those who still need to return their permission slips please take them along on Friday

Thank you

action for children

Under 16's Rugby Team

Please return your Green Marine warm up tops before the holidays if you have not already done so.

Thank you

Mr Flett



Scottish Book Trust | Reading Schools

Library Matters

Spooky Happenings

Today

Ghost storytelling
in the library at lunchtime
Friday 30th October

12.35pm

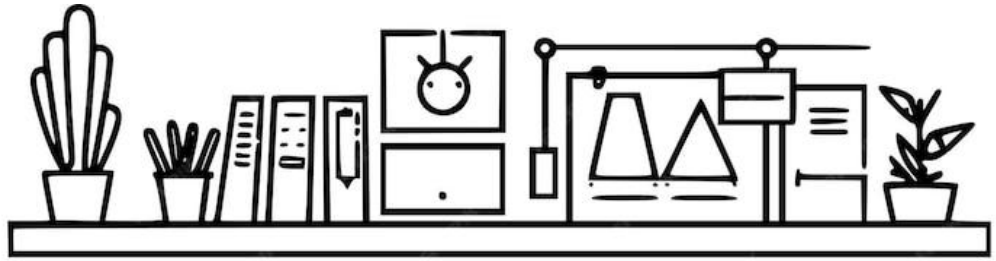
Limited spaces available in the Reading Zone. Please sign up before the event.

Lunch passes from library (or office).



Careers Appointments

If you'd like to make an appointment to speak to one of the Careers Advisers (Scott and Gemma), please pop your name on one of the lists kept at the school office and on the Careers Room door, or speak to your Guidance Teacher.





PE KIT REMINDER

Remember, you must bring a full change of kit for all PE lessons

- A change of top
- A change of bottoms (shorts, leggings, joggers)
- Trainers
- Long hair must be tied up
- No dangly jewellery

Sign up for SCDA Drama Activity



- Performances and competition are in March.
- Sign up this week, if you want to act, or operate lights & sound.
- Sign-up sheet is in English corridor.
- Rehearsals will be after school on Fridays, Oct - March.
- Choose ‘SCDA Drama’ for Activities next term if you want to make the production decisions.

Please SIGN UP before the October break (so the production team can choose a play to fit the cast)

Speak to Ms Grieve for more information, or if you have ideas ☺

Maths Supported Study

STARTING THIS WEEK!

EVERY THURSDAY
1535-1630
MS O'CONNOR'S CLASSROOM

OPEN TO ALL YEAR GROUPS

For support with maths work
Homework
Or if you just want a space to focus on maths study?

Whatever the reason, come and join us!

Snacks may be available, but bring your own if you like☺

After school Netball

There will be **NO** netball afterschool this Friday (09/10/26).

We will be back after the holidays, on **Friday 30th October**!!

Senior teams – we will start training on **Monday 2nd November**

PE Lunch clubs/ after school clubs

There will be no lunchtime clubs this week. They will start next week.

Afterschool netball will start on Friday 30th October

Afterschool Scottish Schools netball will start on Monday 2nd November

Afterschool volleyball will start on Tuesday 3rd November

MUSIC DEPARTMENT LUNCHTIME INFO & CLUBS

Pupils can book practice rooms to play music at lunchtime. On your priority day you can sign up at breaktime to reserve your room. If you are not in the priority year group, you can still come along at lunchtime to see if any rooms are still free.

Red = closed or in use by school groups/instrumental instructors. Green = available to book for the year group(s) specified.

BANDS: If you have a band, please see Ms Fletcher about having a regular slot to rehearse in one of the classrooms.

CLUBS: Collect an Early Lunch Pass from the front offices so you can get here in good time

CLASSROOMS	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
UPSTAIRS CLASSROOM	Band slot available	Band slot available			Closed
DOWNSTAIRS CLASSROOM			Band slot available	S1 Band	Closed
UPSTAIRS PRACTICE ROOMS	S4-6 priority	S4-6 priority	S4-6 priority	S4-6 priority	Closed
DOWNSTAIRS PRACTICE ROOMS	Intrumental Lessons	S1 priority	S2 priority	S3 priority	Closed

All equipment must be put away tidily at the end of each lunchtime and all breakages reported to Music teachers

- Anyone using a room without signing in will lose the privilege for the rest of term.
- Anyone leaving a mess or not putting things away will lose the privilege for the rest of term.

STROMNESS BONFIRE NIGHT

Thursday, 5 November 2026

7.00pm at Copland's Dock



Pop Competition Judged at 6.30pm

Pop Competition Sponsored by R S Merriman Ltd

Age Categories: Nursery-P1 • P2-P4 • P5-P7

*** PRIZES ***

Lost Property



- A Black puffer coat – containing headphones – has been picked up or moved by mistake in the PE Hall. Please check you have the right coat and return any that aren't yours.

Don't forget

If you would like to see the bulletin again, an edited version is stored on the school website.

The full version (including appointment lists) is available on the library Team.

We are working to become a

Reading School

Ask your teacher or librarian how you can get involved.