

TYNECASTLE NEWS

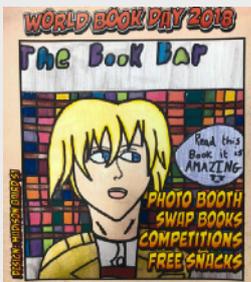


Upcoming Dates

- 26 February **Mindfulness Taster**
3.45pm (for primary and secondary staff as well as Parent Council members)
- 26 February **Singing Workshop**
3.45pm for everyone in the Tynecastle Community
- 13 March **Digital Classroom Experience**
11am-12.30pm for all interested parents/carers in Tynecastle and our associated primaries
- 19 March **Inspection Feedback**
for parents/carers 5pm
- 19 March **Parent Council** 6pm
- 28 March **Sports Awards Evening**
7pm

World Book Day - 1 March

It's World Book Day on Thursday, 1 March. We will celebrate by opening the Book Bar over lunchtime at the Community Desk. Take part in competitions, get your photo taken with friends, swap books & enjoy free snacks. The bar opens at 1 pm.



Head Teacher's Update



I hope that you had a lovely February break. The time has just flown with lots of exciting developments here at Tynecastle again as you will see. We are now very much focusing on working towards the National Qualifications with a full range of additional study support on offer every week for our students. We know how much of a difference this makes and appreciate your support in encouraging your child to attend. We are pleased to let you know that our Inspection Report will be published on Tuesday 27th February and would like to invite you to attend a meeting for parents/carers on Monday 19th March at 5.00pm to hear more. I look forward to seeing you then. *Hazel Kinnear*

S2 Outdoor Experience

The S2 outdoor adventure experience kicked off with an intrepid group walking 3 miles of the scenic Fife Coastal Path from Aberdour to Burntisland on Tuesday. Next week it's time for some Orienteering...



Words Take Flight

The power of words is the theme for this year's Holocaust Memorial Day. The Library Craft Group were inspired by Pavel Friedman's 'The Butterfly' poem and created artwork with simple messages of hope and inspiration. The butterflies are on display outside the Library.



Science News

Our Advanced Higher Physics students enjoyed looking for standing waves in guitar strings and then cooking cheese in a microwave to work out the speed of light! Science Club have been learning about the Moon and making a one person shelter. Students have been developing good team work skills and following detailed instructions.



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Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club open to everyone Monday - Friday, 7.30am-8.20am. Free. In the community wing. Come along and enjoy hot toast, cereal, juices, pastries, fresh fruit and yoghurts.

Parent Council

We have an active Parent Council who meet every month. Our next meeting is on Monday the 19th of March at 6pm. You can find out more about the work of the [Parent Council on our website](#). You can also contact our Parent Council directly at tyneastlepc@gmail.com

Fresh on the website

Check our website for the latest news www.tynecastle.edin.sch.uk

Contact Details

Please let the school office know straight away if you change your details. You can contact us by 'phone, email or in person at the school office.

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Edinburgh Schools Rugby at Murrayfield

Well done to the boys from Tynecastle and WHEC who represented their schools in the Tier 4 emerging and developing schools league.



Girls Basketball

Our Open Girls team are successfully through to the Semi Finals of B Basketball Scotland's National Plate competition after winning their game against Larbert.

Careers

We had a great visit and talk from Paul Kerlaff, Lecturer in Interior and Spatial Design at Napier University, on Art and Design careers and courses at the university. All S2 pupils enjoyed hearing from a Chartered Accountant about careers in Finance. They learnt about how the NHS manages its budget as well as what skills, characteristics and qualifications it takes to be successful in this role.



Children's Mental Health Week 2018

We've had some great opportunities in school during #cmhw (5-9 February) to Be Ourselves and have fun with others: On Monday, local singer-songwriter Caro Overy led an after-school **singing workshop** for everyone in the Tynecastle High School Community. On Tuesday, students and staff showed us their best moves in a **dancing flashmob** at lunch time. Linking in with **Safer Internet Day** on Tuesday, parents and carers who came to our evening event were invited to think about how we can support young people to Be Themselves in the digital world, and make sure they get their **Digital 5-a-day**. Young people worked with our librarian Mr Mackenzie on Wednesday to make some **fantastic art work** about what they share and what they don't share online. Friday's tutor time gave students across the whole school a chance to think about what '**Being Ourselves**' means to them. *Sarah Haywood, Place2Be*