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Edition 5



# Sorry I can't come to the phone right now. I'm Skiing!

Reported by Lewis Wilson

Some people were lucky enough to get out of school for a week to go to Italy and France for the school's ski trip. It was an exciting time with the junior ski trip (S1 - S3) going to beautiful Prato Nevoso in Italy and the senior ski trip (S4 - S6) going to the majestic Chambery in France.

I was lucky enough to go on the junior ski trip and it was one of the best experiences of my life. It was a lot of travelling for the first day we arrived which was trying for everyone. We soon arrived in the pretty little town of Prato Nevoso where we would spend the whole week. The first day of Skiing was one of the best, with amazing conditions. We were all put into groups based on our skill and soon we were off skiing down the fast, curvy slopes on the resort. When we had finished skiing for the day we would head back to the hotel we stayed at ready for a karaoke to a Disco to Mr Burke's Quiz.



As the week went on it got even better with us discovering new parts of the resort and more trickier slopes. Obviously there was a crash here and there with someone doing a spectacular crash into a ditch. Overall the Junior ski trip was a trip to remember forever for those who went on it.

The senior ski trip was a little bit different. Instead they went to Chambery in France. It looked like amazing conditions with unforgettable views of the Mountains and tons of snow. They also got some very professional videos of them all skiing which makes it look even better, as well as some amazing jumps which are always cool and a definite brag. The verdict is that all of the trips were something impossible to forget and were definitely full of laughs, smiles, speed and finally, exhaustion! We can't forget about all the fabulous teachers who were able to make this possible and the teachers who went along with us for the trips.

# The situation in the rivers

Litter is a problem; it's everywhere. This can be related to a few things, rubbish being blown out of bins or people either not knowing what to do with litter, or not caring enough to deal with it. Here are some ways to deal with it and some important things not to do.

First off, why deal with litter at all? so the motorways, parks, cities and landscape look bad, why does that matter? Well litter can cause all sorts of problems on many levels, first off it can be eaten by animals which could choke or harm them. This impacts people as it means that people walking dogs or other pets could get tangled in the litter and get hurt, It also affects the rivers, as it can cause clogs in narrower sections, making the riverbanks flood and have dirty river water flow over houses or parks.

Litter can be reduced by taking a little bit more effort to keep litter until you find a bin, or if there is a bit of litter on the ground you could pick it up and put it in the bin. The very worst thing that you could do would be throwing it over a fence, or into a river, as it makes the litter difficult to clean up.

Another common thing that is a really bad habit, is flushing wet wipes or things other than toilet paper down the toilet. It's not your personal bin. It might end up clogging pipes and causing more overflows. Given that the sewage treatment doesn't fully clean everything, wet wipes and other things will go into rivers, getting caught on trees or wildlife and making rivers unhealthy to swim in. Another down side of the (quite old) sewage system is that in heavy rain it overflows and bypasses the filtration system, going straight into rivers, making everything worse.

Reported By Lachlan Glencross



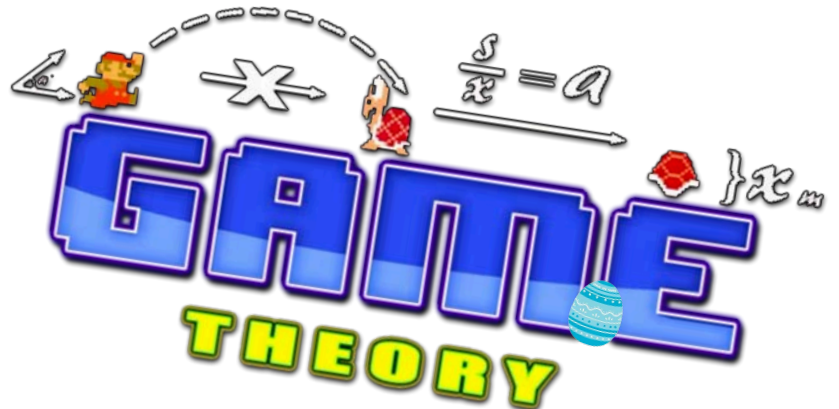
Wet wipes caught on tree branches

# An Internet Legend Departs

Reported By Thiemo Breugelmans

After 13 years of theories and entertainment, internet star MatPat has decided to retire from YouTube. On the 9th of January MatPat announced his retirement. MatPat said that he wanted to spend more time with his family and his newborn son. In a tearful video titled “Goodbye Internet,” MatPat announced that on March 9, 2024 he would step away from YouTube .

But That's  
Just A  
Theory...



## FUN FACT

**Did you know?**

480 million people have played  
Monopoly.

**Also**

Monopoly has a monopoly on  
monopoly

# Spotlight On Clubs

Reported By Thiemo Breugelmans



## School Club Spotlight

### Band Club

#### Info:

Year groups - S1-6

When - Monday lunch

Where - Mrs Spencer's Room

The club is for any pupils wishing to start a band and make new friends.

You will practice your instrument of choice, improve skills and maybe even take part in Battle of the Bands!



### After School Basketball

#### Info:

Year groups - S2 - S3

When - Tuesday after school

Where - The Games Hall

The club is for any pupils wishing to play basketball and have fun! If you are in School of Basketball it also acts as extra training.



# Defeat Don't Repeat

Reported By Lewis Wilson

Our school had a very special visit from Rhys Rutledge, a man who went from dealing drugs at a very young age to serving in the Military for over 10 years.

When Rhys was younger he got into the life of crime, specifically dealing drugs. He dealt drugs from the age of 14 getting into all of the criminal activities such as delivering drugs to the buyers. He did this all the way to the age of 19 where he was arrested by Police at a Police Barricade for Possession of Drugs with the intent of supply. His life went downhill after this where he tried to take his life and frankly he wasn't in the best situation. When he attempted to take his life he was saved by his mum. He decided that there was only one way to save himself and that was to join the army. He then served in the Army for over 10 years from going on operations to Afghanistan to standing about 10 metres from Queen Elizabeth II. Rhys's story proves how anything can be fixed, sometimes it may look unthinkable but a situation can always be fixed.

Rhys taught everyone a valuable lesson about what really happens in a life of crime and how it can affect the rest of your life in an extremely negative way. This will definitely will stick with everyone



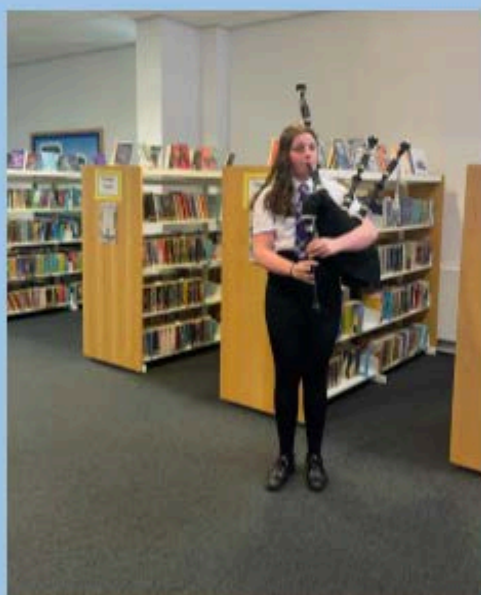
# World Book Day

World Book Day was on the 7th of March and this year the school went all out for it. Pupils and teachers had the option to come into school dressed up as their favourite book characters.

It was a day that was unforgettable with all the faculties dressed up as a theme of characters with tons of Wallys to Professors and students from Hogwarts to the seven dwarfs and Snow White played brilliantly by Mr Burke. World Book Day was a very fun day for everyone.



The Wallace High School annual Burns Competition was a great success yet again. Lots of excellent poetry recitals and everyone enjoyed their tasty haggis!



The Maths Department take Pi day very seriously, and so they should! An amazing day of fun, with lots of great pies to sample and plenty of winners, well 3(.14) winners to be exact.

# School Sports News

The Senior boys Football team won 3-1 against the fierce Bannockburn high on the 18th. Player of the match was Antony Motel. Wallace were able to make a striking come back after being 1-0 down. We asked one of the players Alex Harrower how he felt after the game "I was relieved and happy with the win".



The U15s won 4-2 in an intense penalties shootout after ending the game with a tight draw of 3-3 against Larbert High. they are oe through to another final.

The senior girls football team won 3-2 against the challenging St Modans on the 19th. The Player of the Match was Lucy Macnair. Wallace were able to stop a score from St Modans in the last two minutes of the game. We asked two players, Jennifer Ralston & Rebecca Galletly how they felt after the game "We felt really happy about the score". They also said to anyone who wants to do football "Go for it, Don't feel like you'll be judged by anyone because from junior to senior everyone is so nice and welcoming".



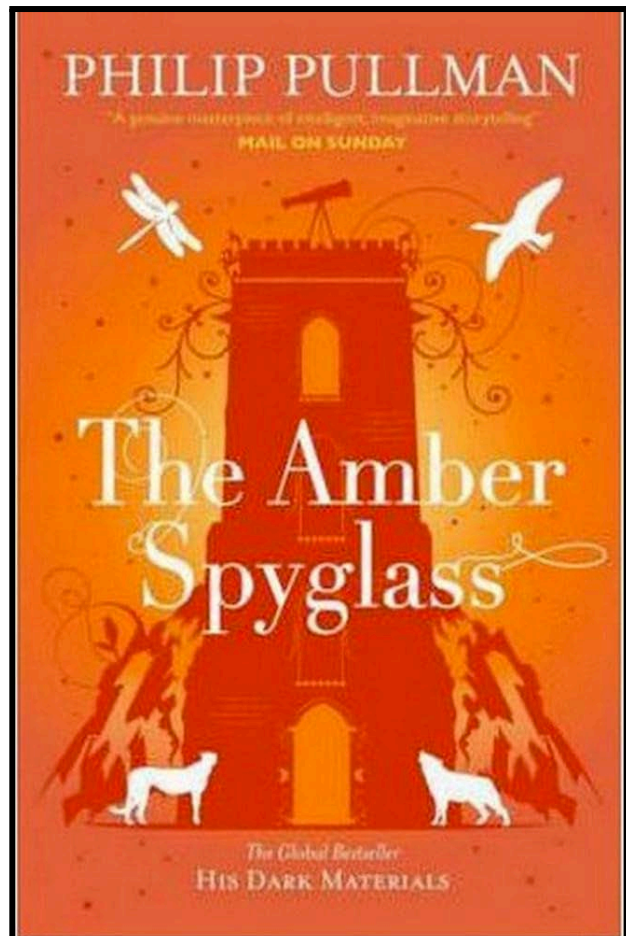
The Senior Girls Football team who won their semi-final of the Scottish Cup against last year's winners Lasswade Academy. The score at full time was 2-2, thanks to 2 superb goals from Lauren Grassie and Eva Gardner. The match went to penalties and Wallace won 5-4, The girls will now face St Ninians High School in the final at Hampden Park.



# Teacher's Favourite Book

Mr Gracie's favourite book is "Amber Spyglass". A book from the "His Dark Materials Trilogy". The book was written by Phillip Pullman in 2000. Mr Gracie first came across the book when his S5 English teacher suggested that he read it after he told them that he had read the Lord of the Rings Trilogy.

Mr Gracie said that he loves the book because of the mix with the theme of fantasy as well as having a critical evaluation of real life institutions. Mr Gracie also said that he enjoys the book because of the realisation of whole believable worlds in the book. Mr Gracie's favourite part of the book is when the two main characters are making their way through the scary land of the dead. He also said he likes a character named Dr Mary Malone who has some funny interactions with the characters. Mr Gracie recommends this book to anyone who likes to dive into a world of fantasy and to read all the books in the trilogy. The Trilogy of the books became so well known that a 3 season long series was released in 2019.



# Our librarian's book recommendations

## Medicine



**This edition Mrs Waters decided to pick “Medicine” because of the nice illustrations and detailed writing, with interesting facts that you can’t easily find out.**

This book talks about the interesting but grim past of medicine, from weird remedies to disturbing surgeries. This story may seem like a child's picture book but this book reveals the terrifying and uncanny realities of medicine that’s recommended for kids 9+ or older. This book has information that can’t be simply searched up! This book is a quick read that you can finish in a sitting. It’s a book with a lot of information despite its limited pages.

# Global warming and bad weather - taking the world by storm, literally!

By Jack Armstrong

Climate change and global warming, we've all heard about them, they're a crisis that's been brewing and simmering for many moons, but in recent times this dangerous threat to our home is awakening, it's rapidly becoming unstoppable. But what's going on? Let's discuss that.

First off I'd like to mention the drastic weather changes we've experienced recently, for example, and I know Scotland isn't known for warm beaches and scorching deserts and boiling, beautiful tropics, but we are normally blessed with nice, 20-25 degree weather every summer roundabout June-July,



sometimes it even stretches to August if we're really lucky. And just look at England. In July 2022, on the 19th, a little place in Lincolnshire called Coningsby experienced an ice melting 40.3 degrees celsius, little old England roasted. But last summer was one to forget weather wise as both England and Scotland experienced battering winds, toppled temperatures and torrential downpours, weather Scotland is used to, as is England, but in the summertime? Absolutely not, I remember going to Fife on the first day of summer and the wind howling through the beaches, there was sun and heat, it was just fighting a losing battle with the baltic winds. I can remember hearing it, howling through the chimney of our house, like a ghost haunting us.

We then move onto this year, which hasn't had the greatest of starts, a recent report completed on January the 23rd 2024, since September 2023, 10 storms have been recorded with the latest being Storm Jocelyn, most of the country experienced up to 97MPH in wind speeds. It's weather Scotland has become used to, but at those levels, it's just pure insanity!

Another big topic of discussion that we need to be made more aware of is the extraordinarily steep rise of global warming. It is becoming increasingly concerning, this is our future we're talking about people! The rising temperatures increase the ozone concentration surrounding us meaning it increases the risk of lung tissue damage leaving a particular group of people in severe trouble, asthma patients. If ozone pollution begins to spread then that becomes a crisis as ozone is a big irritant to the lungs, almost like a sunburn to them which causes asthma attacks.

And though you'll argue it is a future problem. It is still a problem that will affect us. Just because it isn't affecting us now doesn't mean it won't affect us. If you look at it from a child's perspective, our future has been placed in the hands of people more wise, mature, and decisive than us. Adults. They bring us into this world, nurture and develop us for about 18 years and then boom, the power is in our hands. We are relying on them to protect us and give us a future, because on the horizon are dangers. Smog that will lower visibility, heat that could potentially be our melting point, there could be awful weather, tsunamis, earthquakes, tornadoes, all in Scotland. Imagine that, waking up, not in a peaceful summer's day in Stirling, a terrifying storm of hurricanes and tornadoes. That is a prospect that is not off the cards because torrential weather outside tropics is potentially going to become more frequent. So be warned, make changes.



# Easter CupCakes

## Ingredients

140g light brown sugar  
100g self raising flour  
50g cocoa powder  
1 tsp baking powder  
2 large eggs  
135 ml vegetable oil  
4 tbsp milk

## For the decorations

300g icing sugar  
150g unsalted butter  
2 tbsp milk  
250g ready-rolled white fondant icing  
orange, yellow, pink and black gel food colour  
2 tbsp cocoa powder  
white mini marshmallows



## STEP 1

Heat the oven to 180C/160C fan/gas 4. Tip the brown sugar, flour, cocoa, baking powder and a pinch of salt into a large bowl. Whisk the eggs, oil and milk in a jug. Slowly pour the wet ingredients into the dry, whisking until smooth. Line a 12-hole cupcake tin with paper cases. Divide the mixture between them, then bake for 20 mins until risen. Leave to cool in the tin.

## STEP 2

Meanwhile, make the icing. Beat the icing sugar and butter with an electric whisk until pale and fluffy. Whisk in some of the milk to loosen to a pipeable consistency, if needed.

## STEP 3

For the chick decoration, colour a small piece of fondant orange using a drop of food colouring gel and another small piece black. Colour a few tablespoons of the icing yellow and spoon into a piping bag fitted with a large round nozzle. Pipe a yellow blob in the centre of the cupcake and a smaller one on top. Roll the black fondant into two small balls and place them as eyes. Roll a little cone of orange fondant for the beak. For each foot, roll three small, longer pieces and pinch them together at one end. Push the feet beneath the body, hiding the pinch.

## STEP 4

For the bunny, beat the cocoa and 1 tbsp milk into a few tablespoons of the icing. Spread over the cupcake. Spoon a few tablespoons of the plain icing into a piping bag fitted with a large round nozzle and pipe a small blob on top. Stick a mini marshmallow on top of that for a tail. For the feet, shape two small pieces of white fondant into ovals and press down to flatten. Colour a small piece of fondant pink and form two balls and six smaller ones. Press the balls into the flattened ovals in a paw pattern. Place the feet on either side of the rabbit's bottom.

## STEP 5

To make the sheep, colour a piece of fondant black and shape a small piece into an oval. Use a skewer to press nostrils into the bottom end. Pinch two smaller pieces into ears and stick them on using a little water. Roll two small balls of white fondant and two smaller black balls to make eyes. Cover the cake with a layer of plain icing and fix the face in the middle. Surround with mini marshmallows for the woolly coat.

Reported By Isacc



# Football Updates

With the contests heating up, the Champions League and Europa League warming up with the Quarter final and semi finals draws completed, let's have a look at some of the big changes since the last edition.

## Jurgen Klopp is out

Starting with a shocking announcement for fans across the globe, especially the Liverpool fans, but for rivalries across the globe it is a blessing in disguise, a great manager who will go down as one of the best is leaving, the last Guardiola Vs Klopp matchup has happened which will be covered later in this paper. But let's talk about some of his memories with his first big job being at Borussia Dortmund with a career spanning 7 years with trophies including 2 Bundesliga's, 2 DFL's Super Cups and a German cup, before he proceeded onto Liverpool for 9 years with trophies such as their first Premier League, a Club World Cup, FA cup, 2 Carabao Cups, a Community shield and a big Champions League, all resulting in back to back Best manager in the world awards (2018-19 and 2019-2020). A manager who has the third highest win rate in the Premier League behind only Sir Alex Ferguson and Pep Guardiola, Jurgen departs as a legend of the managerial game.



## Champions League and Europa League draw

Moving swiftly onto some European action and with RO16 games finished with no real surprises, but then you look at the Quarter final and semi final matchups, with Champions League giants Real Madrid matching up against Premier League giants



Manchester City and whoever wins that playing the victor of Arsenal Vs Bayern. The other matchups being Atletico Madrid Vs Borussia Dortmund and Barcelona Vs PSG with the two winners of that going head to head in the Semi finals, and then in the Europa League the 3 English teams who started out in the competition, West Ham United, Brighton and Liverpool, only Brighton have been eliminated with Liverpool and West Ham making the Quarters with West Ham drawing Leverkusen and then the winner of that will go head to head with the winner of AC Milan Vs Roma and then on the other side of the knockout tree

Liverpool will battle it out with Atalanta and the winner of that playing the winner of Marseille Vs Benfica. So European football is beginning to heat up, and even in the Conference League things are getting intense with Aston Villa flying the flag for England as they beat Ajax 4-0 to reach the quarter finals where they'll face Lille and then the potential Semis between either Olympiacos or Fenerbahce.

### Klopp vs Guardiola one final time

The last matchup between Klopp and Guardiola has finished, there was potential to have a meeting in the FA cup but with the shock elimination of Liverpool with a 4-3 defeat to Manchester United that is now impossible. But an Anfield classic occurred as a giant title decider between the two. Liverpool looking to regain top spot from Arsenal, Manchester City looking to go top for the first time in a while, it was a cagey affair but it was City who broke the deadlock after many chances, A clever corner from Kevin De Bruyne allowed Stones in to prod it past a desperate Kelleher. But early in the second half an awful back pass from City defender Nathan Ake to his goalkeeper Ederson led to Liverpool striker Darwin Nunez pouncing in the box where he was wiped out by Ederson resulting in a penalty, but not only that but Ederson had injured himself following the collision, but before he was subbed off he had the opportunity to keep Liverpool behind but Alexis Macallister stepped up and converted the penalty. Ederson was subbed off for Stefan Ortega and with the game now flipped and all the attacks coming from Liverpool, they didn't convert any but had a controversial decision when a high boot on Macallister from Doku didn't get given as a penalty, but the rivalry between 2 of the greatest Premier League matchups is over.

### Arsenal Vs Liverpool: A defensive nightmare

Another big title decider was between Arsenal and Liverpool in February and with Liverpool having only lost one game to Tottenham they looked confident and having beaten Arsenal in the FA cup despite immense pressure, but it didn't start well as early on as Bukayo Saka converted the rebound off Alisson after he parried a shot from Kai Havertz, then Liverpool equalised against the run of play after a calamitous own goal from Arsenal which bounced in off Gabriel, but then the errors began, as Martinelli raced after a long ball with Van Dijk in tow Alisson rushed out to clear so Van Dijk left it for him, but he made a mess of it and missed it resulting in an easy tap in for Martinelli, and then after a sending off to Ibrahima Konaté Trossard secured the game after a slight deflection of Virgil Van Dijk which rolled through Alisson's legs.



# Puzzles

## Sweets

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Haribos  
Chocolate  
Refreshers  
Drumsticks  
Fizzers

Love hearts  
Lollipop  
Smarties  
Wafer  
Teacakes

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Sudoku



## Easter Challenge: Egg Hunt!

Can you spot all 10 eggs throughout the newspaper?

