



BALERNO HIGH SCHOOL

5 Bridge Road, Balerno, EH14 7AQ

Headteacher: Neil McCallum B.Ed (Hons), SQH

Balerno Parent council

Monday 10th September 2018 18.30 – 20.30

Staffing Update

Staff Departing

Dr Avril Cameron (Chemistry) - St. Mary's music school (part time)
Ms Mary Deely (Maths) - George Heriots School

New Staff

Mr Callan Scade - Biology (Probationer)
Ms Alice Sparks - Chemistry (Probationer)
Ms Amy Atkinson - History / Modern Studies (Probationer)
Ms Kirsty Templeton - History / Modern Studies (Probationer)
Ms Hannah McCaig - PE
Ms Jill Nitsche - English
Mrs Joanne Fyfe - Maths
Mr Greg Paterons - Maths
Mr Toby Bevan - Chemistry
Mrs Judith Mitchell - PSAPC 10

Edinburgh Leisure

Have now taken over the sporting facilities and have the lets from 18.00 – 22.00 Monday to Friday, Weekends and Holidays.

Events and News update

Raising Teens with Confidence – V Wright and S Ferguson along with parental support will be delivering another six-week course this term. Notes of interest to Miss Wright.

Successes / News

Diving Success

Congratulations to S6 pupils Lucas Thomson on his achievements with diving over the summer; First up was the European Junior Championships in Helsinki, Finland (21th June- 1st July); Team GB selection

Lucas won Silver on 10m Platform, Bronze in the Team Event and Bronze in 10m Platform Boys Synchro competitions.

Next up was the FINA Grand Prix in Bolzano, Italy (6th – 8th July); Team GB selection

Lucas finished equal 7th on 10m Platform, won Silver in the 10m Platform Men's Synchro, and Silver in the 10m Platform Mixed Synchro competitions.

His success at the above competitions then resulted in selection to the FINA World Junior Diving Championships in Kiev, Ukraine (18th - 30th July); Team GB selection - Lucas finished 23rd on 3m Springboard and won Gold in the Mixed Team Event, *becoming a World Junior Champion!*

Higher Photography

Congratulations to one of the Higher photography pupils who will have their work showcased at the Scottish parliament.

Rugby

Congratulations to our U'16 boys team on their victory in the Scottish Cup against Penicuik HS this week.

Climbing

Congratulation to Louise Flockhart on securing a place in the GB team for 2019.

Golf

Congratulations to Carys Irvine on winning the Midlothian County Junior Championships.

S6 Prom Pop up shop

If you have, any old dresses or suits that you would be able to donate to the S6 pop up shop to help reduce the cost for pupils please let Mrs Thompson know.

Music

Ben Cummings has secured a place, studying trumpet, at the Junior Conservatoire at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in Glasgow.

Upcoming Events

September

12 th	Academic Prize Giving
17 th	Holiday
19 th	YPI launch with S3
20 th	P7 Open Evening

October

8 th – 12 th	S1 Residential
8 th – 12 th	S4 Work Experience
15 th – 19 th	Holiday
22 nd	In –service
23 rd	Pupils return
25 th	S4 consultation evening
29 th	Parent Council meeting