



NBHS WEEKLY UPDATE

Friday 7 May 2021

Andrew Brown

We were extremely saddened this week to hear of the death of Andrew Brown. Many families in and around North Berwick knew Andrew well as he has taught music to hundreds of our pupils over the years. He was a very familiar face here in school as he would never miss an event put on by the performing arts faculty, from concerts to Battle of the Bands. He also accompanied pupils in their performance exams and played in the orchestra for musicals such as 'Grease'. Andrew was an amazing musician, skilled at playing a wide variety of instruments; he was also an inspiring teacher and has helped to foster a love of music in so many of our young people. Most of all, Andrew was a genuinely lovely person. Mr Jones described him as "a remarkable, kind-hearted legend of a man" and I am sure he will be remembered that way by many in our school community. We will certainly miss him at our Christmas concerts, festooned in twinkling fairy lights and singing along to the carols with gusto. Our warmest thoughts are with Andrew's family at this time.

More Golfing Success

Congratulations to Grace Crawford in S2 who won North Berwick Golf Club's ladies championship on Tuesday 4 May, defeating former NBHS pupil, Clara Young. Grace showed tremendous skill and resilience after being two holes down in the match by putting extraordinarily well in the closing holes and sinking a birdie putt on the first extra hole to clinch victory. This is no mean feat as Clara (playing off a handicap of +5) is about to turn professional and heads off to qualify for the LPGA and Ladies European tour. Another former pupil, Catriona Matthew, was watching the match and has certainly been a huge inspiration for the young golfers in our school. Well done Grace, an amazing achievement.



Library Books and Leavers

Every year, approximately £200-300 of school library book stock is permanently lost, solely due to items unreturned by school leavers across Senior Phase. With the end of school approaching for this

year's school leavers in S4-6, it would be greatly appreciated if they could please have a search at home for any school library books and ensure these are returned before their last day of school.

Reminder notices will be handed out in tutor group next week to those S6 who have books outstanding on their library records. Please note that books could have been borrowed at any point during a pupil's time at North Berwick High School, not just over the previous school year. There are no charges for overdue books. Books can be returned at the school library, to the returns boxes located at each school entrance or to the local East Lothian public library. If an item has been lost or damaged, or if there are any queries, pupils are asked to speak to Miss Wilson in the school library as soon as possible.

Careers

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- IT Cyber Security Junior Apprentice [here](#)
- BFI Film Academy Young Programmers [here](#)
- Wheatley Group Modern Apprenticeships [here](#)
- Graduate Apprenticeship – Heriot Watt [here](#)
- Lawscot Foundation bursary package 2021 [here](#)
- Some recent East Lothian vacancies for joinery and administration [here](#)
- Channel 4 Apprenticeship Glasgow [here](#)
- Early Years Practitioner Edinburgh- Modern Apprentice [here](#)
- Updated Modern Apprentices in Edinburgh and Lothian's [here](#)
- Scottish Government Modern Apprenticeship - £20,864 - £23,032 - More [here](#)
- Seasonal Leisure Assistants - North Berwick [here](#)
- Had-Fab East Lothian Engineering vacancies - [here](#)
- **Visitor Experience Assistant** – Modern Apprenticeship – 3 POSTS – 17585
Contract: Fixed Term – 18 months'
Salary: £18,733 pro rata per annum, equates to £17,720.41 per annum - Apply [here](#)
- **Online Summer Schools** – Royal Conservatoire of Scotland
Royal Conservatoire of Scotland's exciting programme of online summer schools, featuring a range of courses designed to keep you learning and creating at home, will run throughout July and August 2021. Details [here](#)
- **Online Resources from Future Asset**
We are really excited to tell you about the new online resources available from Future Asset to inform and educate your students about a career in investment management and to help put learning into context. Resources can be accessed [here](#)
- **Apprenticeship Family**
We have put together a short presentation in The Apprenticeship Family [here](#) that you may find useful, particularly at subject choice time.
- **Edinburgh College applications**
I have posted a preparation for college talk with additional resources which can viewed [here](#)
I have posted several vacancies recently at edubuzz.org/careers so please visit if you are considering employment, apprenticeships or training.
Another useful site if you are looking for local vacancies is edubuzz.org/midandeastvacancies as well as www.apprenticeship.scot
- **Scotland's Rural College applications**
<https://ww1.sruc.ac.uk/>
- **Scottish Seabird Centre - Marine Careers**
Ever wondered what sort of jobs there are that involve working with the ocean?

The good news is there is a huge variety of work out there for all types of people from all sorts of different backgrounds.

<https://www.edubuzz.org/careers/2021/03/24/scottish-seabird-centre-marine-careers/>

Parents coming into school building

Please note that the following COVID-19 mitigation measure remains in place during this time: parents and carers cannot come into the school building. Unfortunately, this means that if your child forgets something, you cannot drop the item off at school for them.

COVID-19 Lateral Flow Test Replacements

If a pupil requires a replacement lateral flow test kit they can obtain it in one of the following ways:

- E-mail your request to admin@northberwickhigh.elcschool.org.uk
- Complete a green form, which can be found at entrances to school, and place it in the box
- Ask a member of staff at the office

COVID-19 – Financial Issues

The following link provides information to parents and carers on the advice and support available for anyone experiencing financial hardship due to COVID.

https://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/downloads/file/30092/financial_support_during_covid-19

COVID-19 Positive Cases

If your child tests positive for COVID-19 please inform the local authority by emailing the details to the address below. If you have no access to email then call East Lothian Council on 01875 613 921.

Please do not send your child to school if they have any COVID-19 symptoms; rather, keep your child isolated at home and book a test for them. Details on how to book a test can be found via this link: [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): getting tested in Scotland - gov.scot \(www.gov.scot\)](https://www.gov.scot/resources/consultation-papers/coronavirus-getting-tested-in-scotland/)

covidinschools@eastlothian.gov.uk

Attendance Mailbox

Separate from the East Lothian COVID-19 email address mentioned above, we would like to remind you that NBHS has a dedicated email address for all attendance matters. There is no need to phone the school – just send an email to the attendance address below, giving the detail of absence, appointments etc. **Please be sure to include the reason for your child being absent from school;** we need this information to ensure that all absences are recorded correctly. We recommend that you add this email address to your contacts so this it is quick and easy for you to access:

attendance@northberwickhigh.elcschool.org.uk

NBHS Communications

Just a reminder that if you wish to contact school you should email us at the communications email address below, or contact your child's guidance teacher directly. If your child is absent from school, please contact the dedicated absence line

communications@northberwickhigh.elcschool.org.uk

Dates for your Diary

Monday 24 May	school closed (staff inservice day)
Tuesday 25 May	school closed (staff working on SQA Alternative Certification Model)
Tuesday 1 June	Parent Council meeting
Monday 7 June	school closed (staff working on SQA Alternative Certification Model)
Friday 25 June	school closes for summer holiday at 12.15 pm