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### **Italian Visitors**

For the last 2 weeks of term, Alessandro and Tommaso attended Earlston High School as visitors from Northern Italy. They followed normal timetabled lessons with a class. Both boys fitted right in to the way of things here at EHS and their classmates made them feel very welcome. They said they particularly enjoyed the school's facilities and had a great time at the school show, Beauty and the Beast. Alessandro and Tommaso were staying with the Jeffrey family and the school would like to thank them for helping make the school visit a success. We wish Alessandro and Tommaso 'buona fortuna' for the future!





### Head Team 2019/20

We are delighted to announce the appointment of our Head Team of students for 2019/20. They are Head Boys, Finlay and William and Deputy Head Girl, Molly and Deputy Head Boy, Jamie. The team were successfully appointed earlier this month after a rigorous selection process which included a pupil/staff vote, presentation to fellow students and an interview. The standard was extremely high which made it a very difficult task for Mr Sinclair and Mrs McDonald to make a decision. Congratulations go to all our senior students who put themselves forward for these roles and well done to our Head Team.





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#### School Show – Beauty and the Beast

Our annual summer show was held from June 24<sup>th</sup> – 27th and this year it was the Disney classic, Beauty and the Beast. The talent at Earlston High School is such that we have a rotating cast for the performances. Belle was performed beautifully by Neve and Catriona. James was both scary and sensitive as the Beast. Evan gave a macho performances as Gaston with his sidekick, Lefou played by Scott. Simon and Mitchell gave a memorable comedy performance as Lumiere and Cogsworth respectively. Sam performance as Belle's father, Maurice was very touching. Alice and Robyn as Mrs Potts got to lead the musical favourite 'Beauty and the Beast'. Aimee and Richeldis both gave wonderfully eccentric performances as Madame De La Grand Bouche. We had a committed and energetic cast, production team and orchestra who all helped to contribute to a fabulous show. Some of our audience members passed on their praise for the production; "I can't believe this is a school show and not the west end", "It was such a polished performance" and, "Jeff Thomson manages to get the absolute best out of these pupils – these were just a sample of the comments received. On the final evening, Mr Sinclair thanked all those who helped to make the productions a success and some of our leaving students passed on their thanks to Mr Thomson. Well done to all involved! We are already looking forward to next summer's performance of Annie Get Your Gun.



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### Visit from Lauder Cornet and Cornet's Lass

On Monday July 1st, we were delighted to welcome back to the school this year's Lauder Cornet, Chris Purves and the Cornet's Lass, Zoe Bruce. Chris and Zoe were welcomed by our senior leadership team and the student head team. After some refreshments they were given a tour of the school and the opportunity to meet some of their old teachers. Congratulations to Zoe and Chris and we wish them all the best for Lauder Common Riding at the end of July/start of August.



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### Advance Higher Maths – Edinburgh University Visit

On Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June, students from our Advanced Higher Maths class were the very first school group to be given a guided tour of Edinburgh University's brand new Bayes Centre. The centre is the university's innovation hub for data science and artificial intelligence. It is pushing the boundaries of innovative technological solutions for the benefit of society. They were also given an insight into studying Maths at university, careers in Maths and a look at the history and future of Artificial Intelligence in our lives.

