

#### **DESTINATION BLACKPOOL**

Tuesday 23 April was the last day before study leave for our sixth years and to celebrate their final day as a student at Earlston High School, the entire year group descended on Blackpool. That meant two coach loads, a total of 116 students and staff, set off on a sunny morn for the seaside!

We arrived at the Pleasure Beach just as it was opening and smiled gleefully as we were escorted to the front of the lengthy queue. Once inside, with map in hand, we ambled around the theme park daring each other to try the rollercoaster rides.

Particular favourites were Valhalla, The Big One and Blackpool's newest ride – the Icon. The Icon is the UK's first double launch rollercoaster. It accelerates at 0-80km/h in 2.25 seconds before reaching heights of 88ft at speeds of up to 85km/h. Scary!

Less frightening but just as much fun were the dodgems (Mr Sinclair was particularly brutal in car number 13), the ghost train and the Steeplechase.

It was gloriously sunny all day and we enjoyed an alfresco lunch - chilli cheese hot dogs are to be recommended – whilst watching others spin and whizz through the air on the nearby rides.

Thanks to the S6 trips committee for organising our day out. It was great fun.







# **SQA EXAMS**

Exam season at Earlston High School started on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April with students sitting PE and Administration exams. Examinations will continue until senior students return to school on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June when the new timetable commences. All teachers and staff at Earlston High School wish our students all the very best in their exams.



#### **SPORTING SUCCESS**

Congratulations to Kirsty and her Borders Barracuda Para Swimming Squad who did so well in the National Senior Championships at Grangemouth on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April. The team achieved 3rd place overall. Well done Kirsty!

The Borders squad is made up of Jenna (Gala SC), Amy (Peebles SC), Kirsty (Duns SC) and Connor (Hawick & Teviotdale SC)

Congratulations also go to Sophie in S1 who became the Eastern Area Archery Champion for under 14 year old girls on 31st March. Well done Sophie, a brilliant achievement!





#### **SCOTLAND UNDER 16s RUGBY**

Congratulations to Sam, Ben and Finn (all EHS pupils) for their contributions to the U16 International Festival in Colwyn Bay, Wales. You all suit the Scotland jersey! Well done to Wasps teammates Rudi and Ben also.

