

Extra Curricular Report

Parent Council - January 2018

Diageo sportMoray Awards – A number of students and Staff from Forres Academy featured in the Diageo sportMoray Awards that were held on Tuesday, 21st November at Elgin Town Hall.

Owen Carroll, Bruce Evans, Isobel Howard all shortlisted in the Junior Sportsperson Award

Kyle Cartmell winner of the Intermediate Sportsman Award

Forres Academy Orienteering Team – shortlisted in the Junior Team Award

Anna MacFadyen – past student – winner of the Senior Sports Athlete Award and went onto win the Sports Personality of the Year Award.

Jacky Barrere – joint winner of the Coach Award

Ann Rossiter – winner of the SALSC (Scottish Association of Local Sports Councils) Award for services to sport.

Young Ambassadors – David Scott and Emma Donald were both recipients of Saltire Awards recognising 50 hours of voluntary service by David and 100 hours from Emma, both through assisting and helping with the delivery of school and community sporting activities.

Badminton – Moray Team – SSBU Inter area competition – 4 students from Forres Academy helped to make up this select team to represent Moray at a National Event held in Glasgow on 19th November. Calum Burge, Emma Donald, Ashley Donald, Jamie Fraser. This was a great experience for the players allowing the opportunity to play against different opponents from across Scotland resulting in some more challenging games with losses, some very close games that could have gone either way and others that were won convincingly by our players. The team worked very well together and supported each other throughout the very long day. They were also commended on their court etiquette, standard/quality of play and manners by the organisers and other team managers.

Four students will be competing at the Moray Secondary Schools Team Competition on Wednesday, 24th January at Elgin Academy. Members of the Forres Academy NCS badminton club who are Moray Squad Players also assisted with umpiring at the Moray Primary Schools Badminton – Team Quaich Competition on Sunday, 21st January – a great asset to have and an opportunity for them to gain hours for the Saltire Awards and add to their skill set.

Tennis – After school sessions commenced on 20th November using club coach Jana Brady to support the Young Ambassadors as they assisted in the delivery of the first session from 3.30pm – 4.45pm. This opportunity also allows those of 14 years + to take their Leaders Award. The second session from 4.45pm – 5.45pm was set aside to give some practice time for pupils who would like to be involved in team competition and represent the school in friendly fixtures and other School Competitions.

Girls Football - League got underway on 8th November with the first fixture being held at Keith. Next round will be at Gordonstoun using indoor facilities, training has started up again this term.

Netball - Junior and Senior teams have been selected to represent the school at the Moray Schools Netball League. Next round is on 25th January for the Junior Team and 1st February for Seniors.

Rugby – Sessions started in December. Coaches from Kinloss Rugby Club are delivering the sessions along with Mr G Reid staff member. Although there was interest across the year groups there are very low numbers at present.

Interhouse Competitions - The Young Ambassadors, Emma Donald and David Scott have been organising two lunchtime competitions – S1/2 Badminton and S1- 5 – A-side Football. They have been learning as they go through the process and given encouragement and support from their mentor Mrs Rossiter and Active Schools Coordinator Paul Rogan. The students who have attended have enjoyed the events and played well showing great spirit, game etiquette and respect for each other.

David then moved onto organise a similar competition for the S2 students but there was insufficient interest for the football for this age group. Emma focussed on developing the badminton and again little interest was shown for the first idea, this was further discussed and we now have a viable number to run an ‘Out of the Hat’ across a number of year groups. Emma and David will work together on the delivery of this with support from Mrs Rossiter and Mr Rogan. Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes will be used for this event.

Moray Schools Swimming Time Trials took place on Thursday, 9th November at Forres Swimming Pool. 21 students from Forres Academy entered the event which attracted 134 entries from across Moray. 9 Secondary establishments entered including Moray College and 13 primary schools.

A very big thank you to all the Moray Adult Swimming Officials and volunteers, without them this event would not be able to run.

MEDAL TABLE								
SECONDARY SCHOOLS	Gold	Silver	Bronze		PRIMARY SCHOOLS	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Forres Academy	13	6	6		Applegrove	4	1	3
Buckie High	8	6	4		Hythehill	2	1	0
Elgin Academy	8	2	2		St Gerardines	2	0	0
Gordonstoun	5	10	6		Cluny	1	4	2
Elgin High	4	2	0		Aberlour	0	1	0
Speyside High	3	1	1		Andersons	0	1	0
Lossiemouth High	2	4	0		Millbank	0	0	2
Moray College	2	0	0		Bishopmill	0	0	1
Milnes High	1	0	2		Roths	0	0	1

Swimmers who have made the criteria for the Scottish Schools consideration times will need to wait until January before finding out if they will be representing Moray at the National Individual Swimming Event that will be taking place in Dollan Aqua Centre, East Kilbride on Saturday, 27th January. Information will be sent out by the Moray Schools Swimming Convenor – Mrs Rossiter – directly to the schools identified person who will inform the students.

- **Elgin Rotary Marafun Monies**

Forres Academy Early Morning Swimming Club was the recipient of one of the grants awarded from the Elgin Rotary Marafun Monies. The £400.00 received will be used to help with payments for the hire of the pool for the morning sessions. We will however have to do some fundraising to cover the

rest of the costs that will be incurred this year. Students will be looking to do a sponsored swim during one of the planned sessions. This may be shelved due to the drop in numbers attending. Future delivery of the programme has been reviewed which may mean a reduction in the number of hours the programme will be delivered over the academic year.

- **‘Compete’ Grass Roots Climbing Competition** – Hosted at Gordonstoun on Sunday, 3rd December. Congratulations to Winner of the Junior Girls Category Emma Philip of 2E2 with a total score of 477.
- **Orienteering** – Forres Academy were successful in retaining the School League Orienteering Shield for a 7th successive year – well done to the dedicated group of students who regularly compete under the banner of Forres Academy on the weekend league dates. New schedule for this is now available on the Moravian Orienteering website. The club are keen to get as many people engaged with this event, if representation drops across Moray school participation there is a great risk of the event being taken out of the calendar completely.
- **Cross Country** – Students have been informed of the forthcoming Scottish, Moray and North of Scotland events. Deadline was given for name submission to allow all entries to be made. The Moray Secondary Schools event will be taking place in Forres at Grant Park on Tuesday, 6th February 2018. North of Scotland
- **Sport Scotland Young Ambassadors of the Month – November.**

Congratulations and well done to the ‘Dream Team’. Recognition has been given from Sport Scotland to Emma Donald and David Scott who were named Sport Scotland’s Young Ambassadors of the Month (November) for the voluntary work that they have been doing in their role as Young Ambassadors for both school and community sporting activities. Fantastic achievement and excellent team work.

- **Pupil Forum** - Monies raised for Children in Need amounted to £663.81 incorporating the money from the dress down day and sponge the teacher. Well done to the Pupil Forum Charity group pupils who coordinated this.

New Clubs

- **AoA (Accepting of All – Diversity Group)** - AoA meets in Classroom 3 every Thursday at 1:15. Open to all age groups – come along and check it out.
- **S1-S3 Film club** - The film club meets on Thursdays at 12:50 in Y5, bring along your lunch.
- **Knit and Natter Club** – It is hoped to start up this club on Thursday lunchtimes at 1.00pm in Y11 – all ages welcome. Materials provided. Starts at 1.00pm, bring along your lunch.

FAYZ - Drop – In continues at Forres House Community Centre every Tuesday 6.30pm to 8.30pm.