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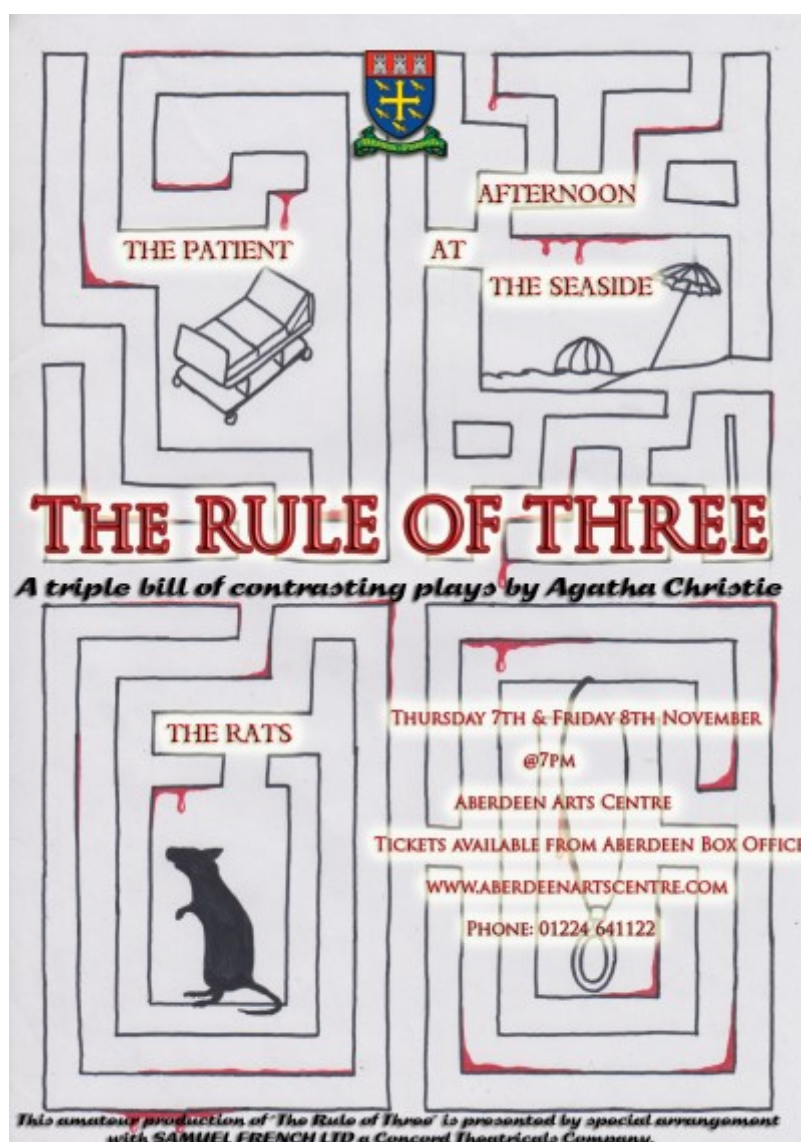


From the Head

It is with pleasure that we invite you to join us for the forthcoming senior school production of Agatha Christie's 'Rule of Three' at ACT Aberdeen (formerly Aberdeen Arts Centre). The performance dates are Thursday 7th and Friday 8th November at 7pm. This triple bill of one act murder mysteries combines a dark and chilling tale, a tense thriller and a light hearted comedy. The girls are working hard to produce a very entertaining performance and I do hope that you will be able to join us.

This year we have responded to pupils' requests to have the opportunity to perform straight theatre with more mature material. The production is, as you would imagine of any Agatha Christie, more 'gritty' than last year's 'Cinderella' and therefore more appropriate for our senior pupils. Of course, it would be wonderful if nursery and junior parents were able to join us in the audience.

Tickets can be purchased by visiting the Aberdeen Performing Arts website at: <https://www.aberdeenperformingarts.com/whats-on/drama/the-rule-of-three/2799>





Safety Reflectors

With the arrival of the dark mornings and nights, safety and visibility are of paramount importance when walking to and from school. We have a supply of St Margaret's reflectors which clip easily on to school bags and are available to buy from the school office, costing £3.00. They come in purple, silver or blue, with teddy designs for younger children and plain circles for anyone who feels they are a little too old for a teddy!

Ms K. Schmitz



Uniform

John Lewis currently have a sale on of St Margaret's uniform with discounts of up to 50% off selected items. The uniform will remain at discounted prices until all stock is sold. Visit the sale at:

https://www.johnlewis.com/browse/baby-child/uniform-by-school/scotland/st-margarets-school-for-girls/_/N-9tx

Mrs R. Paterson-Davies



FP Club Quiz Night

The FP Club warmly invite members of the school community to come along to Rubislaw Church Centre on Friday 15th November at 7:00pm for their Quiz Night. This will be a great opportunity to catch up with former pupils while also testing your brain cells...

Teams will be 5-6 members, with prizes for the best (and possibly the worst!) teams taking part.

Tickets cost £10, payable on the night, and includes a buffet and glass of wine.

To register your place please visit: <http://stmargaretsevents.com/> or contact Rachel Paterson-Davies directly (r.patersondavies@st-margaret.uk)



Harvest Celebration

Friday 12th October saw the nursery and junior school celebrating Harvest at Rubislaw Church. It was a wonderful afternoon of music, song and dance which was very much enjoyed by everyone. At the service we displayed the food collected for The Cyrenians and also took a monetary collection for the Spot Valley School in Jamaica. Our 7 Junior form captains and vice captains and our charity representatives from 5 Junior, 6 Junior and 7 Junior were responsible for organising the food, taking the collection and introducing the musical items during the service. The collection amounted to £282.06 and as you can see the food collected created a display overflowing the table. Thank you so much for your generosity in supporting these charities. The Cyrenians were very pleased to receive all our packages and I know that Spot Valley School will also appreciate your kindness.

Mrs N. Murray





6 Junior Money Workshop

6 Junior girls started the new half term with a lively and interactive money workshop provided by St. James's Place Wealth Management. All of the activities the girls participated in focused on managing their money, emphasising budgeting, risk taking, borrowing, lending and banking.

Starting with a credit of £500 each girl was tasked with growing their money by playing a variety of games, devising a strategy and calculating risks. All expenditure and income was recorded on their bank balance sheet. The girl with the most money at the end of all the activities was the winner.

Let's hear what the girls thought about the workshop:

'I really liked the budgeting and using the bank, I also liked learning about scams despite losing £500 to Rich Ricky!' - Libby

'The money workshop was amazing by paying, losing, winning and counting. I had £410 by playing two games, 'Eye on the Prize' and 'Play it with the Big Kids'.' - Chelsea

'At the money workshop the instructions were very clear about what we were doing and the game I liked most was 'Eye on the Prize'. I would wholly recommend it.' - Sophie M.

'I got all my money from 'Built to Last'. In total I had £2,162 at the end of the workshop.' - Poppy

'My favourite part of the workshop was when they told us about scammers, like Rich Ricky. Lots of people fell for it, but not me. I loved the money workshop a lot.' - Hannah

'I enjoyed the money workshop because you were free to do whichever station you wanted and it showed you all the things that could happen to you in real life.' - Olivia

'I found it a very interactive workshop. I really enjoyed this and hope 5J get to experience it too.' - Mya

A big thank you goes to Alastair and Celia for delivering the workshop and to Mrs. MacFadyen and the senior girls who came along to help run the activities with us.

Mrs G. Wyatt





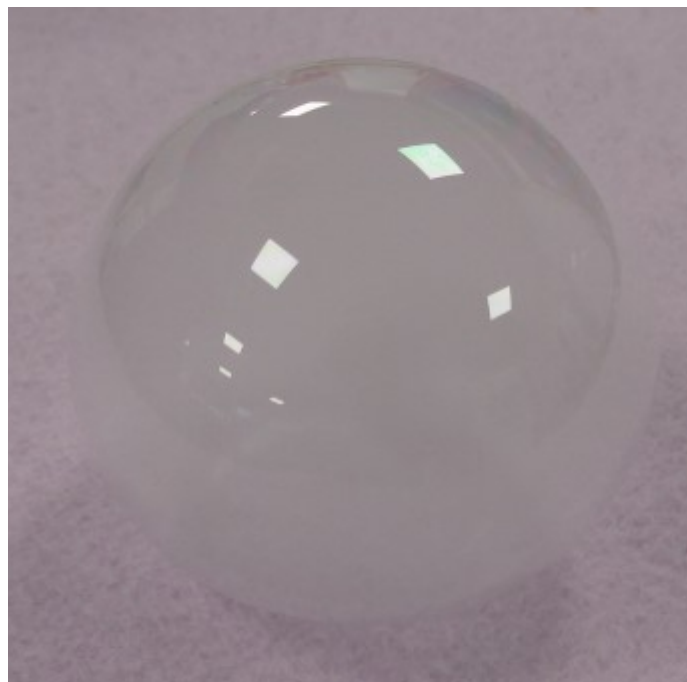
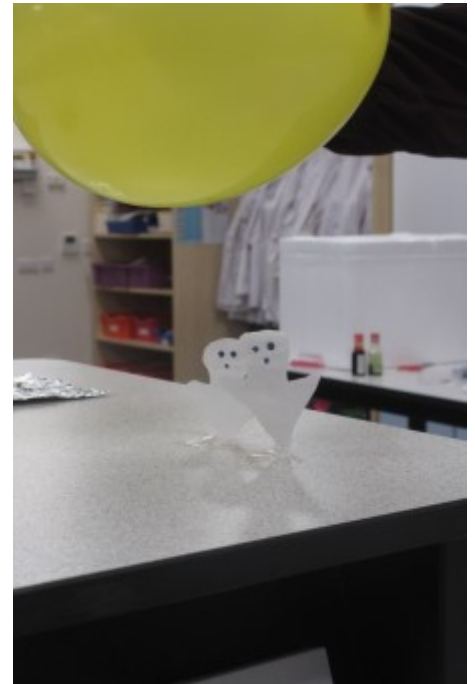
6 Junior Money Workshop (continued)



At the first science club this week we had a Halloween theme. We carried out some fun experiments with dry ice to make bubbling potions, spooky boo bubbles and puking pumpkins. The girls also made dancing ghosts using tissue paper and static electricity and wailing balloons. We hope the girls enjoyed it as much as the staff did!

Fireworks experiments next week!

Mrs P. Simcox



Sketch book club began again after the holidays. Autumn gives us a great opportunity to draw natural objects and there was a great sense of focus in the club as the girls made drawings of leaves.

The experience of spending thirty minutes becoming closely acquainted with a small, often overlooked item, is beneficial to all children growing up in the digital age. The girls love to draw and it is rewarding to see their perseverance and a true sense of ownership and pride in their books.

Mrs J. Richardson





Art and Design - What's On

'Off the Wall' - artist and studio market, Sunday 3rd November 12:00 – 6:00pm at the Carmelite Hotel. A fresh new artist led event where you can meet and buy from Aberdeen's vibrant and diverse artist studio community.

FAAGM - Friends of Aberdeen Art Gallery and Museum will be giving **free goody bags** (donated from Hobby Craft) to the first 50 children who come to the gallery on Saturday 9th November.

Grampian Hospital Art Trust - Friday 7th November. Well known and accomplished local artist Mary Butterworth will complete one of her signature night scene paintings live on stage and give an insight into her technique, as well as her career, at the Suttie Centre, Aberdeen Royal Infirmary, from 6:00pm to 9:30pm. £13.52 per ticket. Proceeds go to Grampian Hospital Art trust.

Mrs J. Richardson



Charities

The school is continuing to support Scotland's Poppy Appeal. Poppies will be sold all of next week at the cost of a £1 donation. Charity representatives will be selling these daily; they will be visiting each classroom either during a form time or a lunchtime.

Mrs S. Stirton





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St Margaret's Day Lunch

St Margaret's School for Girls is delighted to invite former pupils and staff to a St Margaret's Day Lunch in London on Saturday 16th November, 12:30 - 2:30pm, at the House of St Barnabas.

We are looking forward to meeting new and familiar faces from our school's community, catching up and sharing our news on this special day in our calendar.

To register your place please visit: <http://stmargaretsevents.com/> or contact Rachel Paterson-Davies directly (r.patersondavies@st-margaret.uk). Additional guests are more than welcome so if you would like to bring a friend or partner they would be more than welcome.

Mrs R. Paterson-Davies

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