



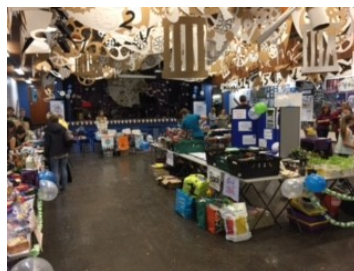
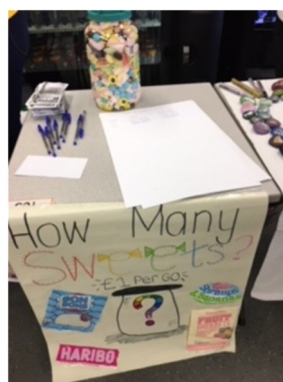
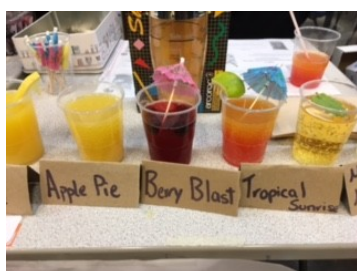
40th Anniversary Celebrations

Special News Edition



The school celebrated its 40th anniversary on Saturday June 10th in the form of a Summer Fayre. The event was brought together by a huge variety of people and included the participation of 34 Staff, 138 pupils, 22 parents and 11 business partners. The sense of a strong school community was evident and the feedback has been very positive.

On the day there was a huge array of activities which included bouncy castle, face painting, home baking, craft stalls, nail painting, photo booth, biological bonanza, magic shows, raffle, tombola, parent council barbeque and much more. The fantastic stalls were supported by 4 hours worth of music created and put together by our marvellous music department.



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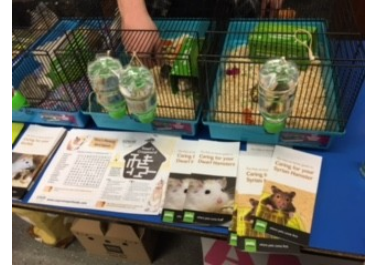
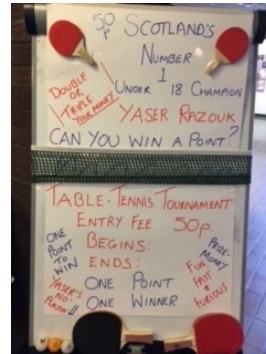
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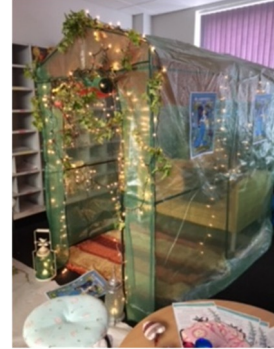
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In addition to the usual summer fayre activities, we were keen to celebrate our 40th anniversary and welcome back former pupils. We had a number of school tours, art displays and photos from previous year groups.



The event resulted in a fantastic fundraising total of £5785.00

A very special thanks to all staff, pupils and the parent council for their contribution and support of the event!

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Summer Fayre - Gospel Choir

To celebrate the 40 years of Boclair Academy, the PTA and teachers organised a special Summer Fayre on Saturday 10th June. The event was supported by a huge number of acts from Music students, featuring a diverse line-up of groups ranging from solo performances to larger ensembles.

The Fayre was kicked off with a carefully selected playlist from Alex Candlish, one of our S4 Music Technology students, featuring a range of music spanning the four decades. Students from the Music Technology course were a great assistance, setting up, adjusting and monitoring the sound system throughout the performances. They showed real team-work throughout the day.



Following the playlist from Alex was a dramatic entrance from The Gospel Choir, who sang a variety of music with instrumental accompaniment from Ellis Wright and Nicole Nimmo on Guitar. Singers from S5 sang 'Birdsong' by The Wailin' Jennys and the lovely A cappella number 'Hide 'n' Seek', which was followed by 'Say You Won't Let Go' featuring Destiny as a soloist. The vocalists were encouraged by lots of applause from the audience who seemed to really enjoy it as they milled around the wide variety of stalls and activities.

Summer Fayre - Voclair

Former pupils, Jenny, Niamh, Nicky and Hannah returned to the stage as Voclair, singing a beautiful selection of songs that went down very well. It was lovely to see the group had gone from strength to strength and were still united after leaving school.



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Summer Fayre - Boclair Folk Group

The next ensemble was the Boclair Folk Group who, with lively tunes such as Owen's Reel, Steel Reelin' and Stan Chapman's Jig, gave a very energetic performance which was very well received by the audience.



Summer Fayre - Friendship Bands

Our next set included performances from a range of individual bands from S2-4. These groups are pupil led with very little intervention from staff and have demonstrated excellent creativity and team-work. The set featured a selection of songs including Shawn Mendez, Galway Girl, Wonderwall and The Captain by Biffy Clyro. There was even an original composition from our S4 group, written by Georgia Ferry.



The musical events became more exciting still with a wonderful performance from RILEY, a band lead by former pupil Niamh Dobie. Once again, it was lovely to see how much a former pupil had taken her music to the next level. Watch this Space!

The final act before sending people home came from Kirsty Quinn who's beautiful blend of Guitar and Vocals brought the event to a lovely close.

Congratulations to all those involved and those who performed at this event. It was well received by the audience and set a beautiful backdrop to the event.

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