



Easter Newsletter

Madras College Newsletter

March 2005

Rector's Note

It is nearly three months since the terrible tsunami devastated huge areas of Southeast Asia. We struggled to cope with its horrors or comprehend its scale. Initially we felt as helpless as the poor souls sucked under by its power. And yet, within a few days of returning to school after the Christmas holidays we were starting to turn our shock and sympathy into positive action. The story of this response is told elsewhere in this newsletter, and will be told for many years hence, given that we are pledged to help build an orphanage, appropriately, in a village near the very origin of our school in Madras, Tamil Nadu province in South India. The special group formed to co-ordinate our efforts, comprising Charity Committee, Whole School Council and staff members, pledged itself to raise £10,000. As we come to the end of term, we are already nearly halfway there. The first meeting of this group, one January afternoon in Kilrymont, expressed the best that this school can offer - care, determination and imagination.

We realised at that crucial moment in our lives that, whatever may be the problems and stresses that affect us, we are indeed fortunate to live and work where we do.

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Tsunami Disaster

The Tsunami Disaster has been brought into the curriculum in a range of subjects. The following is a response to work carried out in an S3 English class.

Imagine waking up on Boxing Day morning to a tsunami, travelling at 600 kilometres an hour, washing your life away. That's what it was like for hundreds of thousands of people in the Far East, who, if they were lucky, survived to see the killer wave. 300,000 people were killed that day, and many, many more are still missing.

The tsunami was caused by a massive vertical disturbance in the Indian Ocean, an earthquake. When the Indian and the Burma plates crashed together, over 1,000 kilometres of the Burma plate snapped, forcing a massive displacement of water. Waves spread in all directions, travelling at speeds of up to 800 kilometres an hour. The deadly wave slowed down but gained height as it hit the shallow waters. The Indian plate usually only moves about 6 centimetres a year, but on this fateful day, the two plates slid a massive 15 metres. That's about the height of the

Kilrymont Road building. *Those 15 metres caused mass destruction. Those 15 metres caused unimaginable grief. Those 15 metres tore families apart, but at the same time, brought the world together.*

Shortly after the disaster, stories of life, death, courage and loss started to spread.

A 26-year-old fisherman tells a BBC reporter, "I am scared of the sea now. I will not go any more. I will try to get a job in town." This is the message countless fishermen are giving out.

Thanuskodi, a woman who lost her 5 children and husband says, "I can never live here again . . . this place is a graveyard now." The sad fact is Thanuskodi is a wife and mother among thousands, who no longer have a husband or children. It seemed that such immense grief could bring no good, but as news spread, hearts and homes opened.

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(Photograph courtesy of Scottish International Relief)

Hope for the future

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School life has been hectic and full this term. Easter seems to have arrived too soon.

And what of the long-awaited Estates Plan for Madras College? Mr Stewart, at a meeting in school last week stated that we would be given details of the Council's decision in May, following the next meeting of the main regional committee dealing with this matter. Not long to wait to know what awaits us in the future.

It has been a remarkable term for school successes at a regional and national level, speaking volumes for the high standards we set and the impressive input from so many staff to the extra-curricular or "co-curricular" dimension of school life.

Read on, and don't forget to have a happy, thankful and peaceful Easter!

Staff News

A busy term has seen a number of staffing changes.

Three of our new Principal Teacher posts were filled. Mr Beck was appointed in January to the new post of Principal Teacher (Curriculum) in Business and Computing. Miss Watkins was appointed at the end of February to the new post of Principal Teacher (Curriculum) in Classics, RE and Citizenship. At the same time Mrs McCartney arrived to take over as Principal Teacher (Curriculum) in Modern Languages.

Several vacancies have also been created owing to staff moves. In January Mr Airlie (History) went to Balwearie High as Acting Principal Teacher of History, while Mr Anderson in Design and Technology took up a Design and Technology post in Penicuik High. Miss Simpson went to Harris Academy in January, creating a vacancy in PE, while a Latin post is now vacant as the result of Miss Watkins' promotion.

Our new posts in Pupil Support are beginning to be filled. Two School Pupil Support Officers - (Ms Binnie and Mrs Connolly) have just been appointed, and the Pupil Services Manager (Mr Edwards) takes up his post in April. Vacancies for a Teaching Auxiliary and Clerical Assistant are about to be filled.

EASTER VACATION ACTIVITIES

University Sports Centre

See pupil noticeboard for details

Going Continental?

Discussions have just started about possible future changes to the school day. The idea is to consider whether we have got the right balance between formal learning in classes and other school activities for every pupil. In some other education systems the formal learning mostly happens in the morning, when pupils and teachers are fresh, with a whole range of other activities available in the afternoon. At this stage we are embarked on a "feasibility study" for several months to see what would be involved in any such change. The project is funded by the Scottish Executive and has a Steering Group representing various interests, including Fife Council, the Madras staff, the parents (through a representative of the School Board), the pupils and Community Use. A big consultation will be part of this project. Watch this space!

India Link

Further to our comment on opening links between the school and educational establishments in Chennai (Madras) in last term's newsletter, I am delighted to say there has been some development.

Mr I Brett, a parent of children in the school, contacted Mr Mackay with information on visits to Scotland from doctors based in Chennai.

Contact has now been made and the doctors have returned to Chennai with a view to exploring connections with schools in the city.

Animation Workshops

Ten pupils from S3 have been working at the Byre Theatre recently on a stop motion animated film project. The pupils developed the film using similar techniques to the methods used to create Wallace and Gromit films. The pupils worked with artists in creating storyboards, scripts, sets and sound tracks. The end result was premiered at the Rothes Halls, Glenrothes, along with other films created in Fife through the participation of Fife's Cultural Co-ordinators. Pupils involved were Catherine Anderson, Lisa Ciftci, Daniel Gaul, David Greig, Ali Keay, Sarah Martin, Ian Niven, Daniel Povey, Alastair Todd and James Willis.

Upper Arlington Exchange Return Visit

On a very cold and windy Saturday morning a party of 15 very tired American pupils and staff arrived at Glasgow Airport. Having dressed for the occasion in matching T-shirts, they were met by all the Madras hosts with balloons and cheers.

The following 10 days were non-stop action, packed with activities including day trips to the school cottage in the Highlands and Edinburgh, a tour of St Andrews, Links Trust, Cathedral and Castle plus an eventful Witches Tour! They also had the culinary delights of fish and chips, pizza, Chinese and Indian buffets, not forgetting Irn Bru. According to evaluation sheets highlights of the week were the Gala Dinner and Valentine's Ceilidh which will hopefully become an annual event. Recruitment for next year's exchange will start soon.

Changed Days

Two curriculum committees have been working in Madras throughout this session. They have looked at three areas: a) the amount of practical work in S3 and S4, b) how to improve S4 and S2 and c) the structure of the curriculum.

It was clear that there was a need for more practical work in the S3/S4 curriculum and as a result a course in Practical Craft Skills is being offered at Intermediate level in S3.

Discussion of how to improve S2 has looked at the possibility of making subject choices and of starting certificate

work at some point during S2. This could improve motivation and allow pupils to sit Standard Grades earlier and so start Highers earlier. This, however, is still just an 'idea'.

Another idea to emerge is that of a continental day with pupils coming to school at 8.30 am and leaving at 1.30 pm with optional activities in the afternoon.

Finally there are also moves afoot to set up an 'alternative' choice in S3 for pupils for whom eight Standard Grade subjects would not be appropriate. The Newsletter will keep you posted.

Modern Studies

Advanced Higher

The Advanced Higher class has interviewed 4 MSPs over a period of 4 Fridays this term: Christine May (Labour), Ian Smith (Liberal Democrats), Ted Brocklebank (Conservatives), Tricia Marwick (SNP). The pupils compared and contrasted policies and gained relevant information for personal research for their dissertations.

Parliament

This week Intermediate 2, Higher and Advanced Higher visited the Parliament, met with MSPs and sat in on debates in the Chamber.

Modern Languages

- Chris Dennis (S6) took part in a Euroscola programme in Strasbourg and was commended for his excellent participation.
- The department has been fortunate in having the services of two native speakers, Mélodie (French) and Christine (German). They have given invaluable support in Higher and Advanced Higher classes, especially as we now no longer have foreign Language Assistants in schools.
- Plans are under way for hosting the 48th exchange with Kiel. Miss Orem is currently drawing up a list of participants.

Mathematics Competitions

• UK Senior Maths Challenge (run by UK Maths Trust)

The 9th November 2004 National Awards were: 8 Golds – Sarah Dunn*, Ben Falconer*, Craig Gilmour, Darren Smith and Tim Weir (all S6), Jing Liu*, Sheila Norrie* and Sarah Leenhouts (all S5), plus 11 Silver and 15 Bronze.

* The 4 did sufficiently well to qualify for the subsequent rounds in The British Maths Olympiad.

• UK Intermediate Maths Challenge (UK Maths Trust)

The 3rd February 2005 National Awards were: 14 Golds – Alasdair Downes, Sana Eljamel*, David Watson*, Ben Randerson*, Patrick Jagger*, William Salter*, Sarah Gillespie and Jacqueline Sneddon (all S4), Francesca Jagger*, Philip Woollins, Jade Milne, Stacey Oxenham, Steven Gilmour and Sarah Paterson (all S3), plus 25 Silver and 34 Bronze.

* These 6 qualified for the Kangaroo (Pink). In particular Alasdair Downes did sufficiently well to qualify for the Intermediate Maths Olympiad.

Department of Special Education

- A group of 8 pupils attended the "Department of Special Education" Five-a-side Football and Unihoc Tournament at the Fife Institute in Glenrothes on Thursday 17th March.

Both the football and unihoc teams played very well competing well in every game. Good sportsmanship was shown by all players on and off the pitch. Well done to all the players.

- The select group of horse riders from R102 have continued

to develop and improve their skills in riding and handling horses. Certificates have been issued from DABS Equestrian Riding Centre in Colessie to our pupils, for mastering basic horse riding skills. Well done to all who took part.

- Gina Whyte obtained a Burns certificate from the Music department for an outstanding solo effort in the Burns Singing competition. An excellent performance indeed!

School Board

The Madras School Board usually meets twice a term, and this year has been involved in a number of issues concerning the school. The Board has been lobbying hard for progress on ending the split-site by whichever method the Council decides: a new school at the Tay Bridge area and/or a new school within St Andrews itself. With a large school roll, and a split-site, the pressures on Madras are huge and we hope that in the near future a decision will be reached.

The School Board has also campaigned for healthy eating in the school, along with having the Council place an order forbidding the chip van to park in the Kilrymont lay-by at lunch times, as part of its healthy eating strategy. Other recent issues discussed include school buses, school toilets, litter, and the provision of lockers at the Kilrymont site.

The Board is chaired by Professor McKiernan, and is regularly attended by local Councillors, two sixth form representatives, Mr Matheson, two

teacher representatives, Mrs Thomson and Mr Murray and a number of parent members – John Flegg (S3 and S4), Heather Marriage (S1, S2 and S6), Cathy Dunn (S3 and S6), Liz Rogerson (S6), Isobel Falconer (S4 and S6), along with Archie Liggatt (S3).

We are always happy to be approached by parents if you have a particular issue of concern, and plan to have a School Board member in the foyer to discuss any matters at the forthcoming Parents' Evenings.

Talk Talk

- Bryn Davies and David Birrell (both S3) reached the semi-final of the Courier Junior Debating Competition.
- Rory MacLeod (S2) won the S1 to S2 Public Speaking Competition with a fantastic talk persuading us to visit Madrid. Thanks to S3 judges Jade Milne, David Birrell, Kieran Fitzpatrick and Bryn Davies.
- Rebecca Malek and David Watson (both S4) reached the Regional Final of the Donald Dewar Memorial Debating Competition organised by the Law Society. There they came up against much older teams. After a nail-biting impromptu debate on the topic 'This House believes it is time to withdraw from Iraq', they narrowly failed to win a place in the National final.



Every year Stanza takes over St Andrews with its Poetry Festival. The school, one of the Festival's sponsors, has worked closely with the Stanza committee on helping with advertising events in the town. Pupils also supported at reading venues.

S1 and S2 have been busily writing poems on the theme of Body and Soul for the local Stanza competition. This year our Stanza winner was Alice Tavakoli with runner-up Connor Robertson (both S1). They will be presented with their awards at a forthcoming assembly.

In addition, the school was delighted to welcome Stanza poet in residence Tom Pow into school last Friday to work with junior and senior classes in poetry workshops which enthused the budding poets of Madras.

The Advanced Higher English enjoyed two creative writing workshops, one led by local poet, Anna Crowe, the other led by two Phd students, Margo and Fiona, from the university.

Top of the Bench

The Royal Society of Chemistry arrange a chemistry quiz involving schools from all over Britain. The Madras team of Sarah Dunn (S6), Sarah Gillespie (S4), Philip Woollins (S3) and Jonathan Cameron (S2) qualified for the final after playing a number of preliminary rounds. The Regional Final was held during National Science Week on 16th March at Dundee University. The Madras team won this by beating Dundee High School, Inverkeithing High School and Perth Academy.

The next stage is the National Finals to be held in the Science Museum, London.

The team received an unusual trophy depicting an amino-acid molecule in a glass dome (it's a Chemistry thing!) and each member of the team individually received a certificate and a book token.

Well done to all the team and particularly to the Captain, Sarah Dunn.

As You Like It

The Madras College Quad Theatre successfully transferred its September production of *As You Like It* to the main auditorium of the Byre, thus establishing a firm link between school and theatre. This light, romantic comedy directed by Patricia Esler involved some 25 actors taken from staff and students. The cast had a wonderful time both in rehearsal and performance and their enthusiasm paid off in an excellent lively detailed performance thoroughly enjoyed by audiences. Here's looking forward to the next production!

Fife Schools' Burns Competition

Congratulations to pupils representing Madras College in this competition. The following winners go forward to represent Fife in the National Competition in April.

S1-2 Speaking – Rory MacLeod (1st place), S3-4 – Derek Dishington (1st place), S1-2 Singing – Laura Gillett (2nd place), S5-6 – Ruth Wells (2nd place), S3-4 – Instrumental Performance – Natasha Yapp (2nd place).

SPORT

BADMINTON

Fife Schools' Badminton Championships

Success to Madras! We came back with 5 trophies and contested most of the finals or semi-finals in the different age groups. The winners were:

Tim Weir – U19 Singles

Sandy Lamond and Tim Weir – runners up U19 Doubles

Steven Birrell – runner up U16 Singles

David Birrell and Steven Birrell – U16 Boys' Doubles

David and Lindsay Forbes – U16 Mixed Doubles

Lindsay Forbes and Hannah Moffat – U16 Girls' Doubles

David Birrell – U15 Singles

There were also fine performances from Gordon and Alasdair Hill, Sandy Lamond, Ian Stewart, Camilla Tait and Ross Carstairs.

Madras School Championships

S1/S2 Junior Singles Cup Winners:

Boys – Tom Le Feuvre, runner up Ian Cuthbertson.

Girls – Sarah Watters, runner up Camilla Tait.

S3-S6 Senior Singles Cup Winners:

Girls – Lindsay Forbes (S4), runner up Lorna Macfarlane (S3).

The boys' final is to be contested next term – Sandy Lamond (S5) against Tim Weir (S6).

The Badminton Club will resume in August.

GIRLS' HOCKEY

- The 1st XI were winners of the Senior Midlands Tournament and the Waid Academy 7s Tournament.
- Congratulations to Lindsay Forbes who is in the U16 Scottish Training Squad. We wish her the best of luck for final selection.
- Large numbers of players are still attending training which is very encouraging despite the poor weather which has meant that quite a few games have been cancelled this term.

RUGBY

The S1 squad won through to the quarter-finals of the Scottish Cup. In a competition of mainly club sides the S1 team beat Marr away at Troon then had to travel away to a formidable Glasgow Hawks side who eliminated them from the competition. This defeat and a previous defeat by Stirling County were to be the only losses of the season set against 19 wins.

FOOTBALL

- U14 girls are through to the 2nd stages of the Coca Cola 7s at East End Park on 24th March 2005.
- U15s beat Kirkland 4-2 in the Fife Cup Semi. Against Millburn Academy, the team lost 1-0 after extra time in the 5th round of the Scottish Cup at Inverness.
- The U18s lost 3-0 against Beath High School in the semi-final of the Fife Cup while the U16s play Buckhaven next term in the same round.
- Scott Henderson (S6) has enjoyed his 2nd season in U18 Scottish Schools' Team. He has played against England this term and will take on Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland before Easter. Next term he travels to Canada.
- The following pupils have been involved in the U18 Fife Team for a second season: S Henderson, S Grant, A Montgomery, S Matheson (all S6) and A Reid (S5). The team beat Aberdeen City 2-1, Dundee Schools 3-1 in the Scottish Cup section and just last week beat Dundee 8-3 to reach the final to defend the trophy won last year.

SKI CLUB

The Ski Club has had an eventful season this year. Of the 5 planned ski dates, 3 went ahead, but only 2 were fully successful (we got skiing). In typical stormy fashion the Scottish ski scene kept us on our toes.

We had cold winds and snow on all 3 trips. The first one in January was the least eventful, but was still cold and windy. The February date was all going well until the bus died on the way home (it eventually returned to school on the back of a truck!!!), and the March trip, well it turned into a sledging expedition when the road decided to close and the winds got up to 70 mph!

In all, 30 pupils managed to successfully get up at 6.30 am and join us for the trips. Such dedication should be congratulated and shows the makings of some true Scottish skiers. Thanks also to the many parents who assisted in the early starts.

Next term is the quiet one on the skiing front, but those who have truly caught the bug for skiing in Scotland should keep their ears/eyes open in September/January next session.

FIFE SCHOOLS' CROSS COUNTRY

U15 Champions – Andrew Evans (S3) and Fiona Bracegirdle (S2). Both U15 teams won the team trophies.

TSUNAMI APPEAL

Opening Reflection

When the full extent of the Tsunami Disaster was realised, Madras College reacted both quickly and positively, with the Charities Committee and Whole School Council leading the fundraising effort. Setting a target of £10,000 to be raised by the end of the year, gave the school direction and motivation. Pupil and staff involvement has been spectacular for all events organised. Only a few months into the appeal and we are already well on our way to reaching our target. The same enthusiasm will be exerted by all members of Madras until our goal is achieved.

The following will give you some idea of the magnificent response pupils and staff have made.



(Photograph courtesy of Scottish International Relief)

Back Pack Appeal

One of Madras's immediate responses to the Tsunami Disaster was a Back Pack Appeal. Pupils and teachers donated various items such as clothes, stationery and toiletries. These items were packed into donated back packs and sent to the region of Tamil Nadu, south of Chennai (Madras) by the charity Scottish International Relief. The staff and pupils of Madras donated a grand total of 230 back packs which were immensely appreciated by the children who received them.



(Photograph courtesy of Scottish International Relief)

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A British tourist tells her story to the BBC. "We were taken up a hill to a place of safety, where we were welcomed by a family and told we could stay as long as we needed to. Amid all this death and destruction, these people were trying to help us."

There's not much to say about that, except, what extraordinary people they must be, opening up their home to complete strangers and being so kind when they probably lost loved ones that day.

The people of Scotland raised over £3.5 million in the first 2 days after the tsunami hit. That's over £1,200 per minute! From primary schools to retirement homes, fundraisers were popping up. Madras itself has done a remarkable amount of fundraising already, and is well on its way to the £10,000 target! The immediate response was to get a group of pupils and staff and to sit down and talk about what was to be done. With the help of a charity called Scottish International Relief (SIR) Madras launched a Back Pack Appeal. In total, the school sent away 230 back packs, each filled with such basic items as a towel, paper, pencils, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, a ball and a change of clothes. These things are taken for granted in our homes, but to the children south of Madras (Chennai), they mean a lot. The school has also held several talent shows, with the money taking us closer and closer to the target. This could just be the biggest effort for charity Madras has ever seen.

Such a positive response from the pupils of Madras shows everyone just how caring the pupil body can be, even towards people we've never met, and most probably never will. Out of a nightmare full of death and tragedy, came a response full of courage and kindness, a response that Madras College has very much been part of.

Jade Milne (S3)

Tsunami Cakes

During March all first and second year classes have contributed 50p to make cakes in Home Economics in aid of our Appeal: baking aromas have wafted along the corridors enticing folk to drop in and sample the delights. Between the years, over £380 was raised. What a magnificent effort!

Red Nose Day

March 11th 2005, Comic Relief Red Nose Day! Both buildings participated in a Non-Uniform Day which raised a massive £2,100. It proved a great success as both pupils and staff made a special effort to look good.

As well as the Non-Uniform Day in South Street, several talented pupils busked in the Quad at lunchtime which, in only 30 minutes, raised £86!

TSUNAMI APPEAL

Band Night Success

Just before the February break some S5 and S6 pupils, with the support of the Guidance staff, organised a school Band Night to contribute to our Appeal.

Barely Legal, Jiva and the Dirties, Mascal, State of Mind and Three Times Round all entertained the lively audience with a variety of musical talent. We are so fortunate to have so many dedicated musicians in our midst and as well as enjoying the event, a total of £523 was raised!



Barely Legal

Additional Support

At a recent Primary/Secondary Cluster Group meeting, Mr Mackay informed the meeting of the work the school was carrying out to support the Tsunami Disaster Appeal . . .

Earlier this week he received a call from Balmerino Primary School informing him that, through a Dress Down Day on Red Nose Day, the pupils had raised £83 and wished to donate this amount to the organisation that Madras was supporting. The Whole School Council and Charities Committee would like to thank the pupils of Balmerino for this wonderful gesture. It really is greatly appreciated! Well done!



(Photograph courtesy of Scottish International Relief)

Presentation in Drama

As a commemoration of those involved in the South Asian Tsunami Disaster, our fourth year class created and performed a short drama. We conveyed the tragedy using symbolic stylised movement. The target audience was mainly other pupils; however teachers and visitors also came to watch the performance. Each class member took part, some of us acting and some managing theatre arts such as lighting/sound.

The stimulus for this drama was media articles, and our final ideas evolved from class discussion. We used quotes from survivors for a realistic effect. Our class wanted to create a movement piece which represented the actual events of the tsunami in a symbolic manner, displaying the pain and suffering of the survivors as accurately as possible. We did not want to hide the extent of grief that people experienced.

This had an emotional impact on the audience, thought-provoking and hard-hitting. We still portrayed the disaster with a subtle and sensitive approach, respecting those affected . . .

To end our presentation, we had a scene which symbolised the effect of the

tsunami on the whole world. This was not set in a specific place, because it represented every nation – particularly those affected the worst. The time was also undefined – it could have been during news time, on the radio or television. Two actors were standing back-to-back centre stage, actors surrounded the two in a circle, rotating clockwise so that each person said a quote when they reached down stage centre. This slow moving circular motion symbolised the world turning, and global news stations. ‘Mad World’ continued to play throughout this scene, fading in and out as each actor recited his quote (based on the words from survivors of the tsunami). This was effective because of the hard-hitting words that were spoken. ‘We need doctors, there are no doctors here.’ ‘My little sister is so hungry.’ ‘I walked to the old grocery store but it was just full of mud – the bodies of the shop owner and his family lying on the floor. It’s worse than a nightmare.’

The Drama presentation was a remembrance of all those killed or affected by the South Asian Tsunami, and I feel honoured to have been a part of it.

Claire Fisher (S4)

Scottish International Relief

Scottish International Relief, the organisation that the school is supporting, began life 13 years ago after the conflict in the Balkans. Since then it has helped millions of people recover from disastrous events.

Recently, Andrew Parker, a representative from Scottish International Relief, visited the school to give a presentation to a group of pupils and staff outlining the work being covered out in India to help those affected by the tsunami.

It was a harrowing experience and those who witnessed the slide show were moved and also encouraged to help as much as they could.

As a result, the school is supporting Scottish International Relief in the fishing villages around Nagapattinam and in their attempt to build an orphanage in this area.

YMCAID!

On Thursday 10th March, Madras College’s finest talent pulled together to take part in the critically acclaimed YMCAID! Superb songs, dazzling dances and an “interesting” staff act made for an electric atmosphere and a fantastic night all round. More importantly, over £1,000 was raised for the Tsunami Appeal, a subject which has touched and inspired ourselves and many others.

TSUNAMI APPEAL



The Cupid's Candy idea came about through Whole School Council representatives discussing what they wanted to do to raise money for the Tsunami Appeal. It was an idea found in the film, "Mean Girls" where pupils got to dress up as cupids and deliver candy all around the school . . . The Valentine's Day extravaganza raised in excess of £550!



Some of our cupids 'posing'

*The total so far . . .
The total so far . . .*

£4,794

Collection Boxes..... £191

Band Night..... £523

Cupid's Candy..... £550

Tsunami Cakes..... £380

YMCAID..... £1,050

Red Nose Day..... £2,100



(Photograph courtesy of Scottish International Relief)

Art and Design T-Shirts for Sale

As the Tsunami Disaster has faded from our screens/media there is still a great need to support the ongoing disaster appeal. S6 pupils in Art and Design will be designing exclusive Madras T-shirts for sale in aid of the Tsunami Appeal using Photoshop programmes – on sale summer 2005.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

(all dates inclusive)

Friday 25th March 2005
to Friday 8th April 2005

Monday 2nd May 2005

Monday 6th June 2005

Monday 4th July 2005
to Friday 19th August 2005

INSERVICE DAYS

Session 2004/05

Tuesday 14th June 2005

Session 2005/06

Monday 22nd August 2005

STUDY LEAVE

S4

Tuesday 3rd May 2005
to Thursday 2nd June 2005

S5/6

Wednesday 11th May 2005
to Thursday 2nd June 2005

EXAMS

S3

Monday 9th May 2005
to Monday 23rd May 2005

SQA

Tuesday 3rd May 2005
to Friday 10th June 2005

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SCHOOL MEALS

Fife Council have informed us that as from Monday 11th April 2005, the charge to pupils for a standard school meal will be £1.40.

Any overall increases on snacks are displayed in the cafeteria.