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HEAD OF SECONDARY'S MESSAGE

One thing I won't be doing in the near future is taking my health for granted! Being ill might seem to be a bad thing – which it was – but looking back at the last week there are some things that will stay with me in a very positive way for a long time.

The friends who literally dragged me from my house to the hospital when I did not know what was happening.

The friends who sat in the hospital room for hours whilst the doctors and nurses tried to find out what was wrong.

The hand delivered note from a student who said they had had malaria and that they knew how I felt but that it would be alright soon.

The nurse who said she would call the police if I did not drink enough.

The family that took me in so I did not have to stay on my own in the hospital.

The videos produced by students all wishing me well.

The SMS, viber and whatsapp messages that came throughout my illness.

The regular visitors who made sure I was eating and drinking – and played with my puppy!

All the people that did my job at school for me so I would not worry.

To everybody who helped me get over the past week or so a really big THANK YOU.

I would like to be able to write about what has gone on at school over the last week but it will take me some time to catch up, so this week's article will be short. I will spend half term getting my strength back and will hopefully but up and raring to go when we get back.

Have a relaxing half term.

Regards

Terry Garbett

Head of Secondary

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UPCOMING EVENTS

11-19th Feb	Half Term; Ski Trip
16th Feb	Archbishop Janan Lwum Public Holiday
27th Feb	Club B finish
1st March	Club C posted on website
2nd March	Secondary House Athletics
3rd March	Club B ends; House Athletics
6th March	Secondary house Colour Day
6-10th March	Club C Registration (No Clubs)
8th March	international Women's Day (PH)
9th March	Club C list on-line
11th March	Secondary SSAK Basketball Finals @ ISU; International Schools Talent Show
15th March	Secondary ISSAK Athletics Venue TBC

Brotherhood

I was honored to be asked earlier this week to give the Immortal Memory address at this Saturday's Caledonian Society Burns Supper and so, when I can find time, I am spending it researching and writing my speech. I am sure many of you will be familiar with Scotland's most famous son and erstwhile Bard. You will know that: he is considered to be one of the great Romantic poets; that he wrote largely in the Scots dialect; and that he had a notorious predilection for both the fairer sex and Scotland's most famous beverage! However, you may not know (and I certainly didn't) that there are more statues dedicated to Burns around the world than any person in history with the exception of Queen Victoria and Christopher Columbus. Likewise, I did not know (perhaps to my shame as both a Scot and an English teacher!) that he wrote a poem in praise of the American Revolution, and General George Washington in particular, and neither was I aware that Abraham Lincoln was an avid devotee- Milton Hay, one of Lincoln's clerks reported that:

"He [Lincoln] could quote very nearly all of Burns's poems by memory. I have frequently heard him quote the whole of Tam O'Shanter, Holy Willie's Prayer, and a large portion of The Cotter's Saturday Night from memory. He acquired the Scottish accent and could render Burns perfectly. ... I have been with him in that little office and heard him recite, with the greatest of admiration and zest, Burns's ballads and quaint things. That was one of the sources of his wisdom and wit."

It was a very pleasant surprise to learn of this devotion of Lincoln's to Burns but perhaps it should not come as so much of a shock. After all: both men knew what it was to recover from repeated failure and hardships, especially of the financial kind; both men were inspired by, and inspired in others, a great sense of national pride; both men hated hypocrisy and conceit; but above all, both men were optimists, especially when it came to their fellow human beings. Where others saw baseness, ignorance and inferiority, whether looking down on Scottish peasants or American slaves, they saw nobility, integrity and dignity. But what has struck me most during the course of my research is how Burns managed to strike that balance between national pride and international brotherhood that seems so obviously missing in our current world.

Burns' devotion to his country is clear in his choice of the Scots dialect for his poems, in his clear love for the land itself and the people who farmed it and, of course, in his scything satirical takes on the conquering English and their stooges, the Scottish nobility.

Frae the friends and Land I love

Frae the friends and I love,
 Driv'n by fortune's felly spite;
 Frae my best Beloved I rove,
 Never mair to taste delight.
 Never mair maun hope to find
 Ease frae toil, relief frae care:
 When Remembrance wracks the mind,
 Pleasures but unveil Despair.

Brightest climes shall mirk appear,
 Desart ilka blooming shore;
 Till the fates, nae mair severe,
 Friendship, love and peace restore.
 Till Revenge, wi'laurell'd head,
 Bring our Banished hame again;
 And ilk loyal, bonie lad
 Cross the seas, and win his ain

Yet at the same time Burns was a staunch advocate for the rights of the individual, especially those downtrodden by poverty and oppression (hence his aforementioned support for the American Revolution and perhaps explaining why Lincoln felt such a connection to his work). To Burns this advocacy had to go beyond mere sympathy or even empathy and become active, loyal and personal support, in short, Brotherhood.

A Man's a Man for a' That

Is there for honest Poverty
 That hings his head, an' a' that;
 The coward slave - we pass him by,
 We dare be poor for a' that!
 Our toils obscure an' a' that,
 The rank is but the guinea's stamp,
 The Man's the gowd for a' that.

What though on hamely fare we dine,
Wear hoddin grey, an' a' that;
Gie fools their silks, and knaves their wine;

A Man's a Man for a' that:
For a' that, and a' that,
Their tinsel show, an' a' that;
The honest man, tho' e'er sae poor,
Is king o' men for a' that.

Ye see yon birkie ca'd a lord,
Wha struts, an' stares, an' a' that,
Tho' hundreds worship at his word,
He's but a cuif for a' that.
For a' that, an' a' that,
His ribband, star, an' a' that,
The man o' independent mind,
He looks an' laughs at a' that.

A Prince can mak a belted knight,
A marquis, duke, an' a' that!
But an honest man's aboon his might –
Guid faith, he mauna fa' that!
For a' that, an' a' that,
Their dignities, an' a' that,
The pith o' Sense an' pride o' Worth
Are higher rank than a' that.

Then let us pray that come it may,
As come it will for a' that,
That Sense and Worth, o'er a' the earth
Shall bear the gree an' a' that.
For a' that, an' a' that,
It's comin yet for a' that,

**That Man to Man the world o'er
Shall brither; be for a' that.**

(I wonder if you can guess which current public figure I visualize as the “cuif” (feckless male to be ridiculed) of stanza 3?!)

When asked by candidates for teaching roles at KISU what I value most about our school I immediately talk about our young people. They have many admirable qualities but one of the ones I am most proud of is that they are completely colour blind! It gives me great joy

and pride to see friendship groups around school made up of children from 3 or 4 different continents. Preparations for International Day have begun, and to me it was the best day of last year, but celebrating our cultural and ethnic diversity is not the only way in which we try to develop a sense of brotherhood in our young people: it also is in our approach to team sports, to outdoor education and to community service. I trust Burns would approve!

International Day

Speaking of International Day, I would like to hear from parents who would be willing to help us to celebrate our wonderful cultural diversity on April 4th. Also, it would be good to hear from a group of parents who would like to take responsibility for being the “lead tent” this year. In recent years this role has been taken by India and Lebanon so perhaps another country or continent would like to put its best foot forward this time!

Regards

Steve Lang

School Director



HP Sprout Pro 2



I am often amazed at the lengths companies go to invent machines that make work easier. Take for example HP's Sprout Pro G2, on the surface, it looks like something for some guy holed up in a dark room but once you take a closer look, you will know as a graphics and animations person, you need one. This machine has both a 2D and 3D scanner, as well as a projector, cameras and touch mat (with stylus) for scanning and manipulating the objects you've scanned. The computer is kind of like an all-in-one stop for anyone in the 3D-printing field -- minus the printer, of course.

In 2014, HP unveiled the original Sprout -- a unique all-in-one with a projector and camera extrusion that turns the surface between you and the display into an interactive space. It was designed for creative professionals and hobbyists, and a later version released in 2016 targeted the classroom. This year, HP has a new Sprout called the Pro G2, which the company says is a completely redesigned device, featuring "a higher resolution projection, more powerful processing, advanced 3D scanning and a more accurate precision active pen for drawing compared to the previous model."

Like the Sprouts before it, the Pro G2 has what HP calls a Touch Mat -- a touch screen that supports 20 simultaneous touch points so you and a friend can use all of your fingers to draw your digital projects. One of the cooler things the Sprout can do is scan 3D objects that you place on or above the Touch Mat, letting you manipulate the model on either of the displays. You can also place a piece of paper (up to size A3) on the mat and scan that document. The Pro G2 has a camera with the same resolution as before, but it now offers what the company calls "quick 3D Capture Capability" that can read an object that you hold and rotate in front of it.

Other updates include a new seventh-generation Intel Core i7 processor, NVIDIA GTX 960M graphics card and a new active stylus -- an upgrade over the old passive one. This improvement is what enabled the pressure sensitivity that Robbie noted. It also allows the Pro G2 to distinguish between input from your hand and from the pen.

All of these hardware tools are nice to have, but if you can't use them with many programs at all, they might as well be rocks. The good news is, HP continues to expand the Sprout library of compatible software, which was previously somewhat limited. This year, the company created a suite of apps called WorkTools that lets users scan and manipulate content in 2D and 3D in an interactive clipboard.

HP hasn't shared how much the Sprout Pro G2 will cost and says that information will be available in March. Given that last year's Pro cost \$2,199, it's safe to guess the new computer will be at least as expensive as before. For art schools and designer businesses, though, this might be a valuable investment.

See a full review on <http://www8.hp.com/us/en/campaigns/sprout-pro/overview.html>

Robert Buga

Head of IT

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Secondary BasketballHow About Those Standings!

U13G									
Place		GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	HIS	4	4	0	0	68	18	50	8
2	KISU	4	4	0	0	70	29	41	8
3	GEMS	5	3	0	2	89	60	29	6
4	AIS	5	3	0	2	69	84	-15	6
5	RISU	5	1	0	4	68	92	-24	2
6	ISU	3	0	0	3	22	40	-18	0
7	AK	4	0	0	4	39	102	-63	0
U13B									
Place	School	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	HIS	3	3	0	0	67	50	17	9
2	KISU	3	2	0	1	95	53	42	6
3	AK	3	2	0	1	66	66	0	6
4	ISU	3	1	0	2	42	49	-7	3
5	GEMS	3	1	0	2	29	51	-22	3
6	AIS	3	0	0	3	37	67	-30	0
U16G									
Place	School	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	ISU	5	5	0	0	120	67	53	10
2	KISU	5	4	0	1	100	62	38	8
3	HIS	4	3	0	1	68	58	10	6
4	RISU	4	2	0	2	96	77	19	4
5	VC	2	1	0	1	24	28	-4	2
6	AK	3	1	0	2	27	49	-22	2
7	AIS	6	1	0	5	67	99	-32	2
8	GEMS	5	0	0	5	67	129	-62	0
U16B									
Place	School	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	KISU	5	5	0	0	186	59	127	10
2	RISU	4	3	0	1	159	94	65	6
3	AK	3	3	0	0	118	75	43	6
4	HIS	4	2	0	2	144	119	25	4
5	VC	2	1	0	1	41	51	-10	2
6	ISU	5	1	0	4	152	170	-18	2
7	GEMS	5	1	0	4	90	148	-58	2
8	AIS	6	1	0	5	69	243	-174	2

U20G									
Place	School	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	HIS	5	5	0	0	177	82	95	15
2	KISU	6	5	0	1	150	64	86	15
3	ISU	4	2	0	2	98	101	-3	6
4	AK	4	1	0	3	71	97	-26	3
5	VC	5	1	0	4	69	144	-75	3
6	RISU	6	1	0	5	83	160	-77	3
U20B									
Place	School	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	PTS
1	AK	8	6	0	2	313	313	0	18
2	VC	6	5	0	1	291	242	49	15
3	HIS	5	4	0	1	230	171	59	12
4	ISU	6	2	0	4	235	245	-10	6
5	RISU	8	2	0	6	301	367	-66	6
6	KISU	7	1	0	6	234	266	-32	3

This week's results...

Week	Day	Date	Team	Home	Away	Score
7	TUESDAY	7-Feb	U16G	KISU	RISU	28-17 KISU
			U16B	RISU	KISU	38-24 KISU
			U13G	RISU	KISU	25- 14 KISU
	THURSDAY	9-Feb	U20G	KISU	HIS	22-17 KISU
			U20B	HIS	KISU	72-27 HIS

Upcoming Games....

Week	Day	Date	Team	Home	Away
	THURSDAY	23-Feb	U20G	KISU	ISU
			U20B	KISU	ISU
			U13G	ISU	KISU
			U13B	ISU	KISU
	FRIDAY	Feb 24	U20G	KISU	RISU

LAMDA

Dear LAMDA Students,
A reminder that Wednesday, 15th March will be our final lesson of our term 2.

We have our first two lessons of 'term 3' on 22nd & 29th March. We then recommence on 19th April.

Thank you,
Avril Porter



Dear All,

It's amazing how time flies when you are busy and doing what you enjoy. We have seen our children through all the school events that is football, productions, student Led conference, open house etc. it's good to see the confidence the children portray in all these activities. A big thank you to all the teachers that make a difference in our children's lives.

It was wonderful seeing the children buy valentine gifts for their parents to show their love. Dear parents it was your cost but the love they have for you is incomparable. As they bought we had comments like "my mum likes a certain "color" or "I need a color for boys for daddy".

I would like to thank the parents that came out to assist with the sale of valentine treats.

Thanks to all the parents that participated in the lucky draw. I would like to congratulate the lucky winners for the valentine dinner at Kabira and a week away in Munyonyo. We do hope you enjoy yourselves.

Wishing you an enjoyable half term. I hope you all come back energized for the remaining half of the term.

VALENTINE CUPCAKE SALE

Julia Kirundi Kimbaleeba

PTA Chairperson

MAKING VALENTINE CARDS FOR MUMMY AND DADDY

