



### Message from the School Captains

Hello to everyone in the St Margaret's community! We are the newly appointed School Captains for this academic year. (Simone Dredge, Rosie McGinnigle Jodi Renwick and Sadhil Jindal.) We are honoured that the teachers and staff have trusted us with such a great responsibility and we all promise to give our absolute best in fulfilling our roles this year. Our goals are to try to bridge the gap between the year groups, get the junior years more involved with after school clubs and to work collaboratively with parents and carers. We have already been busy during the first few weeks of the new academic session. Visitors came into the school for a number of class observations and meetings and we were tasked with guiding them around the school. Furthermore, we have introduced ourselves to the senior years, and next week we will be presenting ourselves at the junior assemblies. our mission is to inform students that we are approachable and if they have any queries or concerns not to hesitate to come to us for support. Above all, we are looking forward to representing the school and being positive role models for the younger students. We will be in touch again shortly!

- Sadhil Jindal  
School Captain

### Port Edgar

The entire sixth year embarked on a team building excursion to Port Edgar on the 24th August. We were given the choice of a variety of water sport activities including Key Sailing, Paddle Boarding, Kayaking, Canoeing and Wind Sailing. It was great fun and more importantly we got the opportunity to be in a team with other students that we would not normally get the time to socialise with during school time. It really helped to bring the S6 community closer together and we look forward to future outings.



### West Drive

Another excursion the sixth year students took part in was West Drive, which is an event that cautions young, new drivers to be safe and obey the law. We were shown a harrowing clip of a simulated car crash which deeply disturbed all of us. In addition, a mother who lost her son in a car accident gave an emotional speech to us, informing the group that car accidents do not just affect the victim; they affect everyone in the victim's life. It profoundly moved us and opened our eyes to how important driving safely is. While it may not have been the most joyous school trip, it was definitely something we all benefited from.

### UCAS Higher Convention

This week on Tuesday UCAS held a Higher Convention in Inghliston, where Universities and Colleges from all over the UK had sent representatives to give us valuable information. This was extremely helpful for all of us who were looking at further education as we could speak to the institutions we were interested in and ask for advice regarding courses offered, entry requirements and social life. The trip motivated us to work diligently this year and do our best to gain entry into Further & Higher Education.



### Scottish Apprenticeships Show 2018

Students who are interested in training towards an apprenticeship after they leave school were given the opportunity to go the Scottish Apprenticeship Show. A wide variety of employers and businesses from different sectors of the industry were present to inform us about the different types of apprenticeships they offer. For some of us this trip changed our mind set on what we wanted to do after school, and for others it made it clear that they definitely want to explore the possibility of an apprenticeship next year.

### Children of Chernobyl visit

Well done to the S6 student group who organised activities for the children of Chernobyl. The event was a huge success and the children left with smiles on their faces and happy memories.

### Father Simon Says . . .

In the Eucharist the self-offering of Jesus on the Cross is made really present to us and for us. The Eucharist is God's love freely poured out for us to help us on journey through life.