

Activities since last Parent Council Meeting:

- S1 and S2 pupils visited the Newton Rooms taking part in the Renewable Energy and Sustainable Biofuels modules respectively
- First Lego League Challenge – more details below *Well Done 'Team Gary'!* The trophy is in pride of place in the school trophy cabinet!
- In-person RAF Careers talk from Flt Lt George Morris for interested S4-S6 pupils
- Junior Dragons Den (run by DYW) was held in Thurso HS at the end of May. This is an event for P7 of the feeder primary schools and this year the teams had to design Pawsome Pet Products. Thank you to Thurso High School's Miss Russel for stepping in as a judge.

Activities planned:

- Planning for academic year 2022/23

Ongoing activities:

- Assisting in getting more opportunities back on Hi-Hope website. Currently working with some S4/S5/S6 pupils who have identified an area they wish to gain work experience in
- Sourcing and promoting part-time jobs and apprenticeship opportunities
- Arranging and promoting virtual careers advice events / industry specific events
- Arranging and promoting virtual college and university events
- School promoting items on social media / Google Classroom for both parents and pupils

WELL DONE 'TEAM GARY'!

A group of S1 pupils from Thurso High School took part in the FIRST® LEGO® League Challenge: Cargo Connect. FIRST® LEGO® League (FLL) Challenge is a global STEM competition that develops key skills for future careers, including coding, design and research. This is the first time that the FIRST® LEGO® League has been held in the North Highlands and was sponsored and organised by Developing the Young Workforce North Highland and Dounreay Site Restoration Ltd.

Despite the North Highland Tournament being cancelled, *'Team Gary'* were given the opportunity to have a shot at the robot matches under competition conditions and to present their innovation project to the judges. All participants had a great afternoon and took home medals and a trophy for the school! The girls said they "had lots of fun...can we do it next year?" – fingers crossed!

Thank you to *Team Gary's* coaches, Mr Ford and Miss Russell, for their hard work!



Pictured: Claire Hull (DYW North Highland), Pat Kieran (STEM Ambassador), Sasha Moodie, Georgia Wilkin, Maree Ford, and Emily Wallace. (Not pictured: Ava Deighan and Marie Mackay (DSRL))